



ABERDEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

23rd June 2020, Week 9 Term 2

Website <http://aberdeen-p.schools.nsw.gov.au>

FORTHCOMING DATES

July

Friday 3rd Beanies for Brain Cancer
 (gold coin donation)
 Fairy Tale Ball K -2
 Last day of Term 2
Tuesday 21st **Students return for Term 3**

Dear Families,

Congratulations to our students and their teachers on their outstanding poetry about 'Kindness'. Kindness has been our wellbeing focus for the past two weeks. Our focus for each fortnight is determined by the types of incidents that are occurring in the playground. For the next two week our focus is 'Be safe' as many are engaging in unsafe behaviours that put self and others at risk. These might include rough play, being in out of bound areas, running on hard surfaces, etc. We encourage everyone to play and work safely at school. Over the next fortnight, you might like to ask your child what some of the rules are that help to keep them safe at school, at home, on the bus, on the road, and so on.

Fletcher D. approached me last week to discuss a fundraising activity after watching the rugby league round for brain cancer. I applaud Fletcher on his initiative and community spirit and am happy to announce our 'Beanies for Brain Cancer' fundraiser. On Friday, 3rd July, APS students and staff are invited to wear their favourite 'beanie' to school to show support for this great cause. I am looking forward to lots of colourful, interesting and unique beanies adorning the heads of our students and staff. Each participant is asked to donate a gold coin to the Mark Hughes Foundation to support brain cancer research. Our goal is \$220, which will be achievable if every student donates \$1 and every staff member \$2. C'mon Aberdeen PS, we've got this!

There has been an increase in absenteeism this week due to students displaying cold and flu symptoms. We thank parents for keeping their children at home when they are unwell. We have also had to send children home who have become sick at school. As always, a sick child should be kept at home until well enough to return to school. In the current situation, **it is more important than ever for children not to attend or return to school while they have cold and flu symptoms.** If your child requires

medication (ie Panadol or Nurofen) for cold and flu symptoms before school, they should not attend school. The current advice from NSW Health is "Anyone with respiratory symptoms (such as cough, sore/scratchy throat, runny nose or shortness of breath) or unexplained fever should be tested for COVID-19" Please contact your GP or the National Coronavirus Health Information Line on 1800 020 080 for further information.

We realise that having to keep your child at home may be inconvenient, however it is a necessary step at this time to protect the students, staff and community at large.

Hear, Ye! Hear, Ye!

I believe a royal invitation to the Fairy Tale Ball has been sent out to our K-2 students. I am excited to welcome the princesses, princes, knights, dragons and other fairy tale characters to the Royal Kingdom of Aberdeen and enjoying the royal festivities. I only hope my shoe stays on and the ball ends before midnight!

Staff have been busily preparing a school submission for External Validation (required every 5 years by all public schools). This is a process that requires the school conducting a self-assessment of our performance in the domains of Learning, Teaching and Leading and presenting evidence to validate our judgements. Your contributions, through survey responses, attendance at school events, participation in parent-teacher sessions and general engagement in school life have helped us to determine our performance levels. This will help to inform our school targets and projects for school improvement. The leadership team will present the submission to an EV panel in Week 2 of Term 3. In follow up to the feedback from the panel and in preparation for developing the next school plan, I would like to invite parents and community members to attend a meeting at which I will present the submission, feedback on the findings of the panel and invite discussion on areas for future improvement. Further information will be conveyed in our Term 3 newsletters or if interested, contact the school and advise the office and we will ensure you receive a personal invitation to attend the meeting.

Regards,

Corallee Kerrigan

Principal

You did it! Congratulations



Congratulations to Amelia, who was presented with her silver bar last week.

EXCELLENCE AWARDS

- 1/2 LIME** Nate H. - consistently applying feedback and striving to improve in all Key Learning Areas.
- 5/6 GREEN** Sophie W. – displaying enthusiasm and commitment towards all her learning tasks.

MERIT AWARDS

- K PURPLE** Acacia M.
- K/1 RED** Rogue R.
- 1/2 LIME** Dean O.
- 1/2 YELLOW** Heidi W.
- 2 BLUE** Miley C.
- 3/4 BLACK** Hunter W.
- 3/4 ORANGE** Lacie A.
- 5/6 GREEN** Tamika R.
- 5/6 MAGENTA** Douglas W.

PBL AWARDS

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| K PURPLE | Taylor V. | Personal Best |
| K/1 RED | Charlie M. | Personal Best |
| 1/2 LIME | Skye M. | Responsibility |
| 1/2 YELLOW | Callie K. | Personal Best |
| 2 BLUE | Hudson W. | Responsibility |
| 3/4 BLACK | Isaac G. | Respect |
| 3/4 ORANGE | Harper H. | Responsibility |

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| 5/6 GREEN | Harrison F. | Personal Best |
| 5/6 MAGENTA | Max O. | Responsibility |

K – 2 SINGING

Congratulations to the following students who received merit awards for singing this week:

Bella W., Indi B., Lilly M., Tye M., Faith A

BEANIES FOR BRAIN CANCER

Raise awareness for this awful disease by wearing your favourite beanie **on Friday 3rd July (Week 10)**. Your beanie can be crazy, colourful or only plain. If you want to wear a beanie and support brain cancer research, bring in a **gold coin donation**. This gold coin donation will be sent to the Mark Hughes Foundation to raise money for Brain Cancer.



CANTEEN NEWS

The canteen is open on Monday and Friday for lunch orders and every day for recess.

Does your child have a birthday coming up?

The canteen can help!

If you would like to order cupcakes for your child's birthday and have them delivered to the classroom, please contact Amie on 0474 898 118. Please allow at least 48 hours notice.

LABELS

Please ensure your child's clothing is labelled with their name. If you have been given uniform items from another family, please make sure you re-label the items with your child's name so we can ensure belongings are returned. This advice extends to drink bottles, lunch boxes, library bags and any other items that are regularly removed from school bags.

Don't forget to turn on notifications on your phone to receive **instant alerts** from us via the **Skool Loop App**.



Simple free download: In Google Play or App Store search "Skool Loop" & choose our school once installed



2021 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENT

If you or someone you know has a child starting kindergarten in 2021, please contact the school to request an enrolment form. We look forward to meeting you and your child.

ABERDEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL 2021 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS



Kindergarten enrolments are now being taken by Aberdeen Public School for 2021. If your child will be five by 31st July 2021 and you wish to enrol at Aberdeen Public School, please return the slip below or contact the office on 6543 7271.

Kindergarten Enrolment 2021:

Child's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Parents' Names: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____

Siblings already at APS: _____

Current Pre-school (if attending one): _____

KINDNESS POEMS

Kindness

Keep helping others
Inspire other people
Never judge people by what they look like
Don't ever give up on yourself
Never doubt yourself
Encourage people to help others
Shower happiness on people
Stay out of other people's business

By Tommy R.

Kindness

Keep trying to help
Inspire people to be good
Never hit or harm
Don't be a bully
Excuse yourself when you accidentally hit someone
Stay positive
Start being a good person

By Morgan A.

Kindness

Kind to others
In every way
Never talk behind someone's back
Don't ever hurt someone
Never give up
Everyone is perfect in their own way
Say nice things
Show kindness

By Matisse M.

Kindness

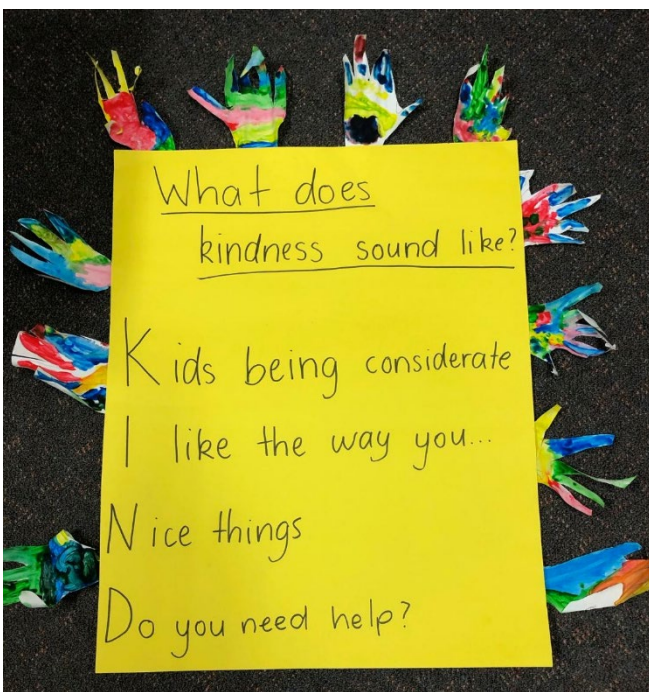
Knowing how others are feeling
Independent
Nice to others
Dreamers
Never ending happiness
Encouraging others
Special friends
Super students

By Peyton S.

Kindness

Keep being happy
Inside feelings
No pushing
Don't swear
No bullies
Everyone is kind inside
Stay safe
Start being nice

By Joseph V.



Kindness

Keeping people happy

Idea making

Never copy people's work

Determined to be happy

Never bully

Excellent personality

Smile all the time

Speak to others

By Sam O.

Kindness

Keep meanness away

Inspire others

Nice to all people

Don't be nasty

Never give up on others

Encourage others

Smile to others

Stay positive and calm

By Koby K.

Who should get tested at COVID-19 testing clinics?

Anyone with respiratory symptoms (such as cough, sore/ scratchy throat, runny nose or shortness of breath) or unexplained fever should be tested for COVID-19.

Testing is especially important for:

- anyone who lives or works in a high risk setting (e.g. healthcare facilities, aged care and other residential facilities, schools, prisons, and other closed settings)
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
- people who are close contacts of a confirmed case
- people who have returned from overseas in the last 14 days
- anyone admitted to hospital
- people who reside in areas for increased testing and surveillance

You do not need to be tested for COVID-19 if:

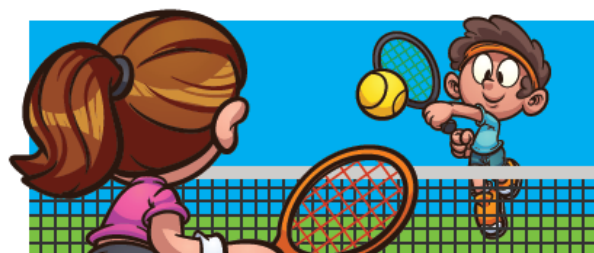
- You don't have symptoms.
- You have recovered from COVID-19 and have been released from isolation and/or are returning to work.

Special circumstances

- If you have recovered from COVID-19 and work in a health care, aged care facility, or other high-risk clinical setting, you need to be tested before returning to work.
- If you are part of a public health unit outbreak investigation, you need to be tested.



More information:
www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19



After School TENNIS COACHING

with Chris Herden - Tennis Australia Club Professional

**For ages 4-16. During school term at Aberdeen
Tennis Courts. School holiday camps also available.**

Perceptual Motor Program (4-5 yrs)

An introduction to basic tennis
techniques to develop and
improve perceptual motor skills in
a fun, play based way.

Tennis Australia ANZ Hot Shots (5-11yrs)

Hot Shot red, orange and green
balls offer players a progressive
pathway through stroke
production, court positioning and
tactics. Teaching the framework
of key skills "first" allows more
intricate skills to fall into place.
Match play available.

Leader System

The Leader System program
covers a wide range of basic
personal development disciplines
from sportsmanship, self-esteem
and decision making to nutrition.

All levels of high school
programs and competition
squads also available

Call Chris on 0400 331 553
for details and bookings



• IF YOU HAVE TO GIVE YOUR CHILD PANADOL OR
NUROFEN FOR A FEVER TODAY, THEY SHOULD
STAY AT HOME TOMORROW.

• IF YOUR CHILD HAS A HARD COUGH, CONSTANT RUNNY NOSE, SORE
THROAT OR SWOLLEN GLANDS THEY SHOULD
NOT BE AT SCHOOL TOMORROW.



• IF YOU HAVE GIVEN THEM PANADOL OR NUROFEN
IN THE MORNING TO GET THEM 'THROUGH THE DAY',
THEN THEY SHOULD NOT COME TO SCHOOL.

• IF YOUR CHILD HAS VOMITING AND/OR HAS
DIARRHOEA TODAY, THEY SHOULD NOT COME TO SCHOOL FOR 48
HOURS AFTER SYMPTOMS HAVE RESOLVED.

**PLEASE, PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR SICK, STILL
RECOVERING FROM ILLNESS OR FEVERISH CHILD BACK TO SCHOOL TOO EARLY.**

LET'S STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS TOGETHER.