



ABERDEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

3rd June 2020, Week 6 Term 2

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

FORTHCOMING DATES

June

1st Winter!



PLAYGROUND ACTIVITIES

Restrictions are still in place for contact sports (i.e. touch football, soccer, netball, etc.). Students are allowed to kick, pass and bounce a ball during play time. Thank you to students who are complying with the restrictions and finding appropriate alternatives to stay entertained at recess and lunch.

'TRASH' TALKING – WHAT HURT IS IT CAUSING?

A number of students are 'trash' talking each other. 'Trash' talking involves students baiting other students to encourage an inappropriate response, putting others down whilst talking up yourself, showing unnecessary bravado and generally speaking unkindly to, or about a person. It seems to be particularly common among Year 6 boys at school and carries over into online gaming at home.

Mrs Kerrigan, Mr Ramage and Mrs Pennell addressed this issue with Year 6 boys yesterday. We are concerned about the impact 'trash' talking can have on a person's self-esteem, engagement at school and at home and one's sense of self-worth, especially if it is prolonged and targeted. Please do a mental health check-in with your child and if you are concerned, please reach out to the school or community organisations for support.

ACCESS TO THE SCHOOL

COVID-19 restrictions still apply to parents being on school grounds. Parents are requested not to enter the school and to call or email the school instead of visiting the office in person. Parents are also to maintain social distancing by avoiding gathering outside the school grounds.

We have a new intercom system at the front gate in Segenhoe St. If you need to pick up your child press the intercom button and we will communicate with you via the speaker and bring your child to the gate.

CHANGE OF CLOTHES

The transition back to school from at home learning is taking a toll on our supply of spare clothes. We have had an increase in younger students wetting their pants. Our supply of spare clothes is low. Could you

please put a change of underwear and clothes in your child's bag in case of an "accident". If your child has borrowed clothes from the school could you please ensure that they are **washed before they are returned**.

BOOK CLUB

Scholastic Book Club is up and running again with students having received their catalogue last week.

Orders are due back Wednesday 17th June.

We are accepting cash, however, online payment is preferable at this time.

Book Club LOOP
The EASIEST way for parents to order and pay for Book Club!

Parents: Are you registered for LOOP?
LOOP is the easiest way for you to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order, if you wish to pay by credit card.

Parents who are registered for LOOP receive exclusive sneak peeks, downloads and offers throughout the school year—don't miss out!

BONUS!

Head to scholastic.com.au/LOOP and register today!

CONGRATULATIONS, AMIE!

We are thrilled for Amie Riley who was the successful applicant for the Canteen Co-ordinator position. The canteen is a service that is provided to the school through our P&C. Amie had been fulfilling this role as a volunteer for over 12 months and during that time was instrumental in the canteen becoming accredited under the Healthy Schools Canteen strategy. The requirements for maintaining accreditation has significantly increased the workload of the co-ordinator over time. We appreciate the hours Amie put in as a volunteer coordinator, as we do of those who held the position before her. We are thankful that the P&C saw the value in maintaining an open canteen for our families to access.

WELLBEING FOCUS: SELF-REGULATION

Self-regulation is the ability to manage reactions and behaviour. Having good self-regulation means our brain has time to think about what is happening and what choices are available to us. It helps to stop us from being impulsive.

Positive Behaviours 4 Learning

PERSONAL BEST

"BE WILLING TO TRY."



ATTENTION PARENTS OF YEAR 5 CHILDREN

High Performing Students

Applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class

in 2021

Thinking of applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2021?

You must apply online at:
education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5

Key dates

Application website opens:
Tuesday 9 June 2020

Application website closes:
5 pm, Friday 26 June 2020
You must apply before this deadline

Test authority letters sent to all applicants:
Wednesday 2 September 2020

Opportunity Class Placement Test:
Wednesday 16 September 2020

Placement outcome information sent overnight on:
Tuesday 1 December 2020

Please read this booklet carefully before applying.

Note: The information in this document is available in an accessible format on the Department's website.

Parents* should check the website at education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5 regularly throughout the application and placement process.

Please check the website for information before you contact the Team.

The application process for Year 5 opportunity class placement for entry in 2021 is about to begin. Important dates in the application process are as follows:

- Tuesday 9 June 2020: Online applications opens
- Friday 26 June 2020: Online applications closes (Parents and carers must apply by the due date.)
- Tuesday 30 June 2020: Principals' processing site opens
- Friday 3 July 2020: Principals' processing site closes
- Wednesday 16 September 2020: Opportunity Class Placement Test

Parents and carers must apply online between **Tuesday 9 June and Friday 26 June 2020** at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>



EXCELLENCE AWARDS

K PURPLE	Jake M. - excelling in all areas of literacy.
K/1 RED	Lily G. - her commitment to completing "Learning at Home" work to a high standard.
1/2 YELLOW	Kobie N. - excellent participation during remote learning.
2 BLUE	Rubi B. - striving for excellence in writing by using a creative and specific plan.
5/6 MAGENTA	Charlea M. - dedication to every day of her learning at home tasks.

MERIT AWARDS

K PURPLE	Blaine J.
K/1 RED	Scarlet V.
1/2 LIME	Boston H.
1/2 YELLOW	Imogen D.
2 BLUE	Sam W.
3/4 BLACK	Bridie S.
3/4 ORANGE	Sam O.
5/6 GREEN	Natasha B.
5/6 MAGENTA	Abbergail N.

PBL AWARDS

K PURPLE	Beau M.	Responsibility
K/1 RED	Dominic F.	Responsibility
1/2 LIME	Maddison N.	Responsibility
1/2 YELLOW	Tyson D.	Personal Best
2 BLUE	Payton R.	Personal Best
3/4 BLACK	Joseph V.	Responsibility
3/4 ORANGE	Eliza S.	Responsibility
5/6 GREEN	Connor L.	Respect
5/6 MAGENTA	Isabell B.	Responsibility

STAGE 2 NOTICES

Please remember to send your child's home learning booklets and work back to school, whether they have been completed or not. These will be required to partially inform our reports for Semester 2. For the remainder of Term 2, Stage 2 will have Library on Thursdays, so please pack any overdue library books in your child's bag on this day. Borrowing has not yet commenced.

Sport and PE form part of our curriculum and, as such, are compulsory subjects. Students who do not have their hat may be required to join another classroom to complete a designated task for the duration of Sport time. Sport and PE will both be held on **Wednesday**, so please ensure your child has packed a hat so that they are able to participate.

Following hygiene guidelines, students are expected to wash their hands upon entering and leaving the classroom. The school has provided soap and hand

sanitiser, however, students may wish to bring in a hand towel for drying their hands so that they are not sharing towels with others. The hand towels should be marked with the student's name and they may keep the towel at school for the week, then take it home on Fridays to be washed.

At this stage, all excursions have been put on hold until further notice. If families are reluctant to commit for financial reasons as a result of loss of income due to COVID-19, or if you are concerned about the risks due to the ongoing Pandemic, please let the school know. We are still accepting payments and will send out further information as soon as we know more. If excursions are cancelled, refunds will be made available.

Please remember to check Seesaw for messages from your child's teacher.

KEEP YOUR CHILD AT HOME IF THEY ARE SICK

If your child is unwell, even if it is a mild sniffle, cough or sore throat, please do not send them to school. Please follow NSW Health Guidelines and get tested for Coronavirus.

If they are unwell at school, you or your nominated emergency contact will need to collect them immediately. Please make sure your contact details are up to date.

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

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): _____

CANTEEN NEWS

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

The new FlexiSchool Payment App will be up and running soon and we will notify you when it is working. As of Tuesday 9th June the menu will be operating as normal. There will be a station set up outside the bottom school gate near the hall for parents to fill in lunch order forms. The children will need to bring their completed lunch order bags to the canteen and place it in to the yellow box, as parents are still not allowed on site.



Does your child have a birthday coming up? The canteen can help! With the new Covid 19 rules, parents cannot bring cakes in to share, so the canteen committee has put their thinking caps on and are happy to offer this service for a fee. This is permitted as cupcakes will be made on site.

Don't let the virus spoil your child celebrating their special day with their friends. Who doesn't love cake?! 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.

FOR SALE!

BY TENDER

Letters of Tender need to be submitted to the school by **Friday 19th June 2020**. The highest tender will be accepted. Equipment can be inspected at Aberdeen Public School, please phone 65437271 to make appointment.



Description: Black UB Drum Kit in good condition as pictured. Drum skins need replacing.



Description: Cream Orbit drum kit as pictured. Bass drum pedal and high hat stand need repair. No snare drum stand.

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



Nutrition Snippet



Let the kids choose and cook (or help cook) a healthy recipe. They will be sure to eat their own creations.

Check out the website for lots of quick and easy recipes.

healthylunchbox.com.au



Nutrition Snippet



Use cooking to practice maths, science and reading - and you have something delicious when you finish.

Try these delicious Thai chicken meatballs. There is even a video to show you how.

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