

ABERDEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

16th June 2021, Week 9 Term 2

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FORTHCOMING DATES

Friday 18th June Athletics Carnival Friday 25th June Last Day of Term 2

Tuesday 13th July Students return for Term 3

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

I hope everyone enjoyed a fun-filled long weekend, albeit a little chilly. The snow on the mountains around Murrurundi and Nundle appeared quite abundant and I suspect there was a good covering at Barrington Tops – perfect for snowball fights and snow angels! For those families who prefer to chase the sunshine, I hope you found some.

WONDERFUL NEWS FOR OUR APS COMMUNITY!

On Thursday, 10th June the APS Stem Team attended the Yancoal Upper Hunter Science and Engineering Challenge where they competed against seven other teams from the area. APS students represented our school with respect, dignity and a great sense of sportsmanship. Their ability to work collaboratively as an effective team was rewarded and our school walked away victorious. APS took out first place for the day and were awarded Champion School in the 2021 Yancoal Science and Engineering Discovery Day Challenge. Congratulations to all the students involved and thank you to Mrs Pennell for organising our school's participation and Mrs Edwards for accompanying our students on the day.



ATHLETICS CARNIVAL UPDATE

We are hoping for a warm, sunny day this Friday when we host our annual Athletics Carnival. All events, other than high jump will run on the day. High jump is being held at school this week — 11-12 year-old students competed on Tuesday and 8, 9 and 10 year olds will jump on Thursday. K-2 will join 3-6 at the oval part way through the day. Please do not abandon your duties at the 3-6 events if you are volunteering. If you need to finish to join the K-2 classes, please advise a staff member so alternative arrangements can be made. Parents and family members are welcome to attend the carnival, keeping in mind physical distancing guidelines of 1.5m between adults applies. Hand sanitiser will be available at the canteen, first aid station and at various locations in the spectator area. Both soap and hand sanitiser will be available in the toilet blocks.

STAFF CHANGES IN TERM 3

I would also like to welcome Mrs Mandy McLean who will be joining our staff on a full-time basis for the remainder of this year. Mrs McLean already teaches RFF on Tuesday and Thursday and 2/3 Red on Wednesday. From next term, Mrs McLean will replace Mrs Floyd who has been providing learning support under the COVID Intensive Learning Scheme. Mrs Floyd has some travel adventures planned for the rest of the year and will finish at APS at the end of this term. I would like to thank Mrs Floyd for her contribution and commitment to APS students and wish her all the best for safe and happy travels. Mrs McLean will continue to share class 2/3 Red with Mrs Edwards, working in the classroom one day a week.

CHILDHOOD CANCER – LIONS CLUB 5c DRIVE

All classes have a moneybox in their classrooms and a goal to fill it with 5 cent coins (other denominations also welcome). Each year we have the pleasure of supporting Lions Clubs of Australia in raising awareness of and funds for research into childhood cancers. Chances are we, or a family we know has or will be affected by this disease at some time. This is our time to reach deep into our hearts and pockets and give what we can to help.

SHORT TERM TEACHER REPLACEMENT

Mrs Pennell will commence long service leave this Friday and will return in Week 1 of Term 3. Mrs Natalie McCamley will replace Mrs Pennell on 5/6 Magenta from Friday 18th June to Friday 25th June. We wish Mrs Pennell a relaxing, rejuvenating and well-earned break. We are always happy to have Mrs McCamley in our school.

Regards, Corallee Kerrigan





To be held in the school hall this THURSDAY at 2.15pm due to the Athletics Carnival.

EXCELLENCE AWARDS

K PURPLE Aeila A. – always completing all

classwork to her personal best.

MERIT AWARDS

K PURPLE Skylah H. 1 LIME Bella W. 1/2 YELLOW Finnian D. 2/3 RED Jaden C. 3/4 BLACK Eliza S. 3/4 ORANGE Callie R. 5/6 GREEN Ethan N. 5/6 MAGENTA Abbergail N.

PBL AWARDS

K PURPLE	Heidi D.	Respect
1 LIME	Louis L.	Personal Best
1/2 YELLOW	Trae K.	Personal Best
2/3 RED	Faith A.	Personal Best
3/4 BLACK	Holly T.	Personal Best
3/4 ORANGE	Lucas M.	Personal Best
5/6 GREEN	Lacie M.	Personal Best
5/6 MAGENTA	Lacie H.	Responsiblity

Assembly chaired by our school captains – Jack D., Alexis D., Lily B. and Grace G.

Acknowledgement of Country – Holly T.

Merit Awards - Sophie W.

PBL Awards - Amelia I.



KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

Kindergarten enrolments are now being taken by Aberdeen Public School for 2022. If your child will be five by 31st July 2022 and you wish to enrol at Aberdeen Public School, please contact the office on 6543 7271.



Jump Rope for Heart kicks off next term!

Next term, Aberdeen Public School will be participating in Jump Rope for Heart. It is a fantastic physical activity and fundraising program that has been run by the Heart Foundation for over 36 years. It's a great way for your child to keep fit and learn new skills, but it also helps to raise funds for vital heart research and education programs.

Since Jump Rope for Heart started in 1983, schools like ours have raised more than \$104 million for the Heart Foundation's lifesaving work.

We will be participating in Weeks 2-6 of Term 3. A letter will be sent home early next term with all of the information on how to sign up and register your child's skipping.

We will hold our school Jump Off Day on Friday the 27th of August, this will mark the end of the program and is a chance for everyone to come together to skip and show off their newly learned skills

Thank you for supporting the Jump Rope for Heart program.

Start Practising!

PAYMENTS TO THE OFFICE

Please note Canteen Meal Deal and P&C Function notes and payments should be returned in separate envelopes as these are given directly to the canteen and P&C and not processed by the office.

All money to be received by the office must be in an envelope or zip lock bag clearly labelled with childs name, class and event.

LOST PROPERTY

Please label all your child's property. We have several items of clothing that have no name or the name label is no longer legible. Lost property items will be placed in a basket outside the office and if not collected within 2 weeks will be passed onto a charity. Due to the mouse

plague we are trying to keep the lost property areas as clean and uncluttered as possible.



If you have changed your address, phone number or emergency contact details recently can you please notify the office.

It is **very** important these details are up to date in the event the school needs to contact you for any reason.

Thank you

REMINDERS

COVID REQUIREMENTS IN SCHOOLS

As always, if students are unwell, they should not attend school. Students presenting with any cold and flu symptoms will be sent home. It is a Department requirement that these students are tested for Covid-19 and the results sighted by the school. The student must be showing no signs of illness before they can return to school.

ASTHMA

Any child with asthma needs to carry their own reliever and spacer with them in their bag or provide one to the office. At this time when infection control is especially important, it is even more prevalent that each student has their own reliever and spacer to access if required. The school will always have relievers and disposable spacers available in an emergency.

SCHOOL BANKING RETURNING IN TERM 3

School Banking will be returning in Term 3. Banking day will be Thursday.

IMPORTANT - TRAVEL ROUTINES

Please notify the school by phone or letter before Recess (1.05pm) when your child's regular travel arrangements change. This helps us get your child home safely. If information is NOT passed onto the school, your child will be sent home according to the last travel advice you provided. A reminder, only the parents of the child can notify the school of any changes as they are the legal guardians.











When your child misses just	That equals	Which is	And therefore, from Kindy to year 12, that is
10 minutes each day	50 minutes each week	Nearly 1.5 weeks each year	Nearly 6 months of learning
20 minutes each day	1 hour 40 minutes each week	Nearly 2.5 weeks each year	Nearly 1 year of learning
30 minutes each day	2.5 hours each week	4 weeks each year	Nearly 1.5 years of learning
1 hour each day	1 day each week	8 weeks each year	Over 2.5 years of learning

