



# ABERDEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

20<sup>th</sup> October 2021, Week 3 Term 4

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

### UPCOMING DATES

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> October** – Mufti Day – Gold Coin Donation

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December** – Presentation Day

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

Wonderful things are starting to happen at APS this term. Our Busy Bees program is off to a great start and the children are looking very grown up in their Busy Bees T-shirts. The children are enjoying the 'primary school' experience with Mrs Loveridge (Busy Bees 2021 teacher) and Mrs Howlett (Busy Bees 2021 SLSO) and are settling very well into our school routines. Check out these happy faces.



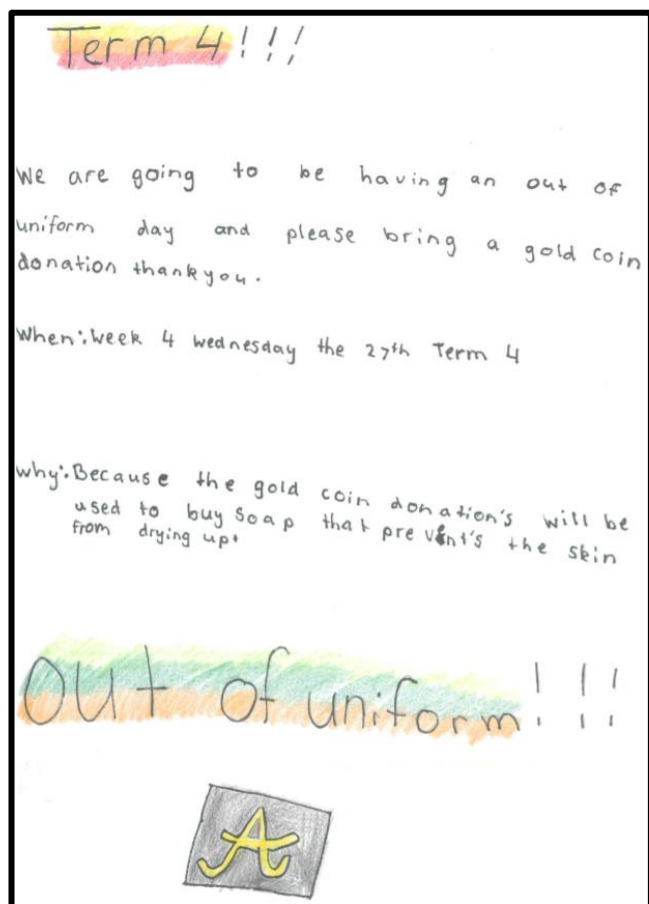
This term, our Year 5 School SRC candidates will be presenting their school improvement projects. Each year the leadership qualities of our senior students are highlighted through the competition of the Leadership Packages. This year, students had the option of two packages: Package 1 involves the design and implementation of a school improvement project and Package 2 requires candidates to plan and implement playground games for their peers. Both packages encourage the students to consider how they can enhance our school and students' experience.

Last Friday, Koby K. installed her school improvement project. Koby selected the colours of the sunset as her colour scheme and created her own design for laying the new hopscotch. The hopscotch is located on the top oval and on the grassed area near the bottom play equipment. Both designs look fantastic and very inviting for students to hop and jump their way to fitness during break times. Thanks, Koby; I'm sure the students will enjoy hours of fun playing hopscotch.



Koby with her hopscotch installation on the top oval.

Several other students are also preparing to deliver their projects. Lilli W. is holding a **mufti day** on **Wednesday 27 October** to raise money to purchase hand soap for sensitive skin. With the increased handwashing activity, many students are finding the hand sanitiser and soap provided by the DoE very drying. Lilli's project will provide students with an alternative that will be kinder on the skin and keep the germs at bay.



Please support our Year 5 SRC candidates with their school improvement projects by thanking them for their contributions to our school, taking care of the installations, participating in the activities, and letting them know what you like about their project.

Kind Regards,  
*Mrs Corallee Kerrigan*

### PBL FOCUS

#### RESPONSIBILITY – BE SAFE

- Three body parts touching the equipment at all times
- Check for uneven surfaces and holes before playing
- Only climb on equipment made for this purpose
- Move carefully and be aware of others when playing on the equipment



### MERIT AWARDS

K PURPLE	Paige R.
1 LIME	Louis L.
1/2 YELLOW	Coby R.
2/3 RED	Olivia R.
3/4 BLACK	Bailey B.
3/4 ORANGE	Zara D.
5/6 GREEN	Jazmine M.
5/6 MAGENTA	Dominic S.

### PBL AWARDS

K PURPLE	Ethan L.	Personal Best
1 LIME	Taylor V-H.	Responsibility
1/2 YELLOW	Kristine S.	Personal Best
2/3 RED	Skye M.	Personal Best
3/4 BLACK	Emelia J.	Personal Best
3/4 ORANGE	Kade G.	Personal Best
5/6 GREEN	Eli F.	Responsibility
5/6 MAGENTA	Alexis D.	Personal Best

Acknowledgement of Country via intercom – Nicholas A.





Have you downloaded our school app yet?



Our school app ensures excellent and reliable communication between our school and parents at all times!



Full Speed Ahead!

## PLAY LEAGUE STARS:

WHEN: 2/11/2021 - 7/12/2021  
TIME: Tuesday 3.40pm - 4.40pm  
WHERE: McKinnon Oval  
Aberdeen  
NSW 2336



League Stars (Active Kids) - Aberdeen

League Stars is a non-contact skill development program that provides the perfect introduction to Rugby League for Primary School aged children. The program is open to children aged 5 – 8 years.

To register go to -

<https://profile.mysideline.com.au/register/clubsearch/?criteria=2336&type=player&activity=&gender=&agemin=&agemax=&comptype=&source=rugby-league>

You can use your Active Kids Voucher to register for the program. To apply for an Active Kids Voucher online, head to - <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/.../apply-active-kids-voucher>

For more information on the program go to:

[www.leaguestars.com](http://www.leaguestars.com) OR Jeremy Brauer at [jbrauer@nrl.com.au](mailto:jbrauer@nrl.com.au)



## LATE ARRIVALS



All students who arrive at school from 8.55am onwards need to enter via the front gate.

Please **DO NOT** drop your children off at the bottom gate after 8.55am as it will be locked and it is unsafe for them to walk around to the front gate unsupervised.

Thank you



Come and join us . . .

## MUSWELLBROOK AMATEUR RSL YOUTH Swimming Club

Swim club is held at **Muswellbrook Pool** every **Thursday night** during the summer season (October to March) starting at 6:00pm.

TWO FREE TRIAL NIGHTS

Cost \$100.00 per swimmer and \$25 for a non-swimmer.

Register at <https://swimcentral.swimming.org.au>

REDEEM YOUR ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER IF AVAILABLE!

For further information



or email

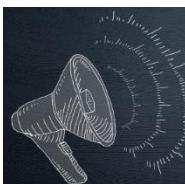
[muswellbrookswimming@gmail.com](mailto:muswellbrookswimming@gmail.com)



### Information on mask wearing by students

The Department of Education has recommended (*not mandated*) primary students wear a mask indoors and outdoors, except when eating and exercising. Disposable face masks were offered to students to wear today.

- If you **do not** want your child to wear a mask, just let your child's teacher know via Seesaw.
- If you prefer for your child to wear a mask at school, please ensure they have a clean face mask each day, clearly labeled with their name.



## Important Announcement



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



## COVID-19: Identifying the Symptoms

Symptoms		COVID-19 Symptoms range from mild to severe	Cold Gradual onset of symptoms	Flu Abrupt onset of symptoms	Allergies* May be abrupt or gradual onset of symptoms
Fever		Common	Rare	Common	No
Cough		Common	Common	Common	Common (asthma)
Sore Throat		Sometimes	Common	Sometimes	Sometimes (Itchy throat and palate)
Shortness of Breath		Sometimes	No	No	Common (asthma)
Fatigue		Sometimes	Sometimes	Common	Sometimes
Aches & Pains		Sometimes	No	Common	No
Headaches		Sometimes	Common	Common	Sometimes
Runny or Stuffy Nose		Sometimes	Common	Sometimes	Common
Diarrhoea		Rare	No	Sometimes, especially for children	No
Sneezing		No	Common	No	Common

Adapted from material produced by WHO, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology. \*Respiratory allergies include allergic rhinitis (hay fever), and allergic asthma. Other common symptoms of hay fever include itchy nose and itchy, watery eyes.

It is very difficult to distinguish between the symptoms of COVID-19, influenza and a cold. If you have any infectious or respiratory symptoms (such as a sore throat, headache, fever, shortness of breath, muscle aches, cough or runny nose) don't go to work. You need to self-isolate and to be assessed by a medical professional. You may need testing for COVID-19. You must not return to work until cleared by a medical professional. You need to ensure that the people you care for are protected and safe. People who have respiratory allergy symptoms such as allergic rhinitis (hay fever) and allergic asthma should stay home and get tested for COVID-19 at the onset of their symptoms and if they experience symptoms that are unexpected, seem different or worse than usual, or do not respond to their usual medication.

For more information about **Coronavirus (COVID-19)** go to [health.gov.au](https://www.health.gov.au)

Visit [www.health.gov.au/resources/translated](https://www.health.gov.au/resources/translated) or for translating and interpreting services call 131 450.