Celebrating 150 years
ABERDEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
22nd July Week 2 Term 3 2014

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Help Needed
Our plans for our Sesquicentenary celebrations are progressing well. However, help is still needed from the wider community.

- We need people to help source memorabilia; photos, documents, uniforms etc. from past years. We will scan photos and documents and will have locked display cabinets available for any precious memorabilia.
- We also need volunteers to help set up the displays in the days leading up to the celebrations and volunteers to set tables ready for the dinner on Saturday night.

If you can help in any way please contact me at school.

Eldest former student youngest current student
We are looking to find the family with the eldest former student and the youngest student currently attending our school. If you think this might apply to your family please contact the school office with all details.

New Garden Edging
On behalf of our school community I would like to thank Bob Dixon, Frank Heap, John Presland, Rhian Harris Kim Harris and Jason Dixon for all their work to complete the garden edging in front of our library and along the path leading to the hall. I would also like to thank the Lions Club of Aberdeen for funding this project.

Michelle Floyd - Principal

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS
Week 8 Term 2

KK Preston B. – working well in all areas.
1/2B Madison G. - being a kind and caring peer to all.
1WH  Chloe C. - excellent efforts in increasing vocabulary and reading fluency.
2L  Faith R. - always presenting a high standard of work.
3R  Lillian D. - demonstrating excellent presentation skills.
4A  Ethan P. - producing quality work and showing diligence in editing.
4/5M  Hollie D. – showing dedication towards improving her knowledge of mathematics.
6P  Emily F. - excellent organisational skills.

Week 9 Term 2

KK  Rylee K. – always showing pride in his work.
1/2B  Jaxon R. - for his 'can do’ attitude towards all tasks.
1WH  Hunter F. - excellent efforts in engagement in learning.
2L  Jae D. - being kind and considerate to others all the time.
3R  Seth I. - excellent contributions during class activities.
4A  Bryce B. - a great effort in class and making good choices in class to ensure he is learning as much as possible.
4/5M  Laura K. – approaching all activities with maturity.
6P  Charlie C. - continued improvement during independent work sessions.

Week 1 Term 3

KK  Alice D. – fantastic effort in sounding out words in her writing.
1/2B  Toby S. - starting Term 3 with a positive attitude.
1WH  Austin McG. - for excellence in speech preparation.
2L  Seth F. – excellence in maths.
3R  Molly J. - trying hard to improve her skills in all areas.
3/4J  Hannah F. - excellence in mathematics.
4A  Tyler F. - an outstanding public speaking performance, superbly researched and rehearsed.
4/5M  Lawson E. - renewed commitment toward learning.
6P  Sabrina D. - her ongoing commitment to improving her learning skills.

Kids Matter Awards

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Merit Badge – Brooke W.

P & C NEWS

Pie Drive
Delivery will take place Monday 4th August and collection can be after 11am from the hall.

CANTENE NEWS

Education Week Afternoon Tea
On Tuesday 29th an afternoon tea is held before the Education Week Award Ceremony. The canteen is asking for donations of baked goods for the event. If you can bake a slice, biscuits, scones for delivery on Tuesday please contact Kelly McMahon 0488 134 550 by Friday to confirm your contribution. This event will be a catering fundraiser for the P & C. Thank you for your support.

CANTENE ROSTER

Friday 25th July
Kate Ducker
Melissa Dixon
Claire Kent
Donna French

Monday 28th July
Melissa Roughan
Catherine Henry
Carly Baker
ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Thank you to all staff, students and parents who participated and helped at the carnival on Friday. Although it was a bit chilly and windy, all events ran smoothly and sportsmanship was seen everywhere! An extra special thanks to those who gave their time to help us ensure we finished all events. Without your help the day would not have run so well.

PUBLIC SPEAKING FINALS
Aberdeen Public School Hall
Thursday 31st July at 9:15am
Students participating will have a note sent home. All parents and friends are invited to come along.

HORSE SPORTS CANTEEN
On Friday 29th August we are hosting Horse Sports here in Aberdeen at the Rodeo Ground. We are in need of some helpers in the canteen at this event. If you can help please contact the school or Kelly McMahon to leave your name and a timeframe that you are available, even if it is only for 1 hour. The canteen will be open from 7am to serve breakfast until the end of the day.
Contact the school on 6543 7271 or Kelly on 6543 7791 / 0488 134 550

2015 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS
Kindergarten enrolments are now being taken by Aberdeen Public School for 2015. If your child will be five by 31 July 2015 and you wish to enrol at Aberdeen Public School, please return slip below or contact the office on 6543 7271.

Kindergarten Enrolment 2015:

Child's Name: ___________________________
Date of Birth: ___________________________
Parents Names: _________________________
Address: _______________________________
Phone No: _______________________________

FORTHCOMING DATES

**July**
Tuesday 29th
Education Week Awards Presentation
Thursday 31st
APS Public Speaking Final

**August**
Friday 1st
Zone Athletics
Monday 11th
Merriwa Horse Sports Meeting
Thursday 14th
Sesquicentenary Meeting 5.30 pm
Thursday 28th
Power FM Breakfast
Friday 29th
Aberdeen Horse Sports
Regional Athletics
**CLASS NEWS:**

**Class KK**

**What’s On:**
Welcome back! I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays and are ready for another exciting term! Home readers will continue this term, please keep up the good work with these. Reading every night with your child will really assist them in developing their reading skills. As you would have noticed weekly homework is beginning this term for Kindergarten, with the first lot going home yesterday. Each student has their own homework book and I sent home a letter with it giving you a little more information. Students will receive it every Monday and it is to be returned every Friday.

For News this term weekly topics are being introduced, a note went home last week providing the details about this. Please keep that note handy to assist your child in being prepared for the set topic each week. Library this term will remain on a Tuesday afternoon. Thank you.

**Class 1/2B**

**What’s On:**
Welcome back! I hope everyone is ready for an action packed Term 3. Here are a few things you can be looking forward to :) Zumba, school sesquicentenary, Power FM breakfast and Stage 1 excursion.

Students are working with blends this term for spelling and we will be learning to write information reports and narratives in writing.

To help your child with new math concepts please keep an eye out in the newsletter for fun math games to play as a family.

I hope everyone had a great holiday.

**Friends of Ten Go Fish**

**Players** - 2 to 6 players

**Deck** - cards 2 - 9 and Ace for 1.

**Goal:** To collect the most sets of Friends for Ten.

**Setup:** Five cards are dealt to each player if three to six players are involved. With only two players, seven cards are dealt to each.

All remaining cards are placed face down in a draw pile.

**Gameplay:**
Randomly choose a player to go first, they need to ask someone else in the circle for a friend that will make 10. e.g. if you have a 2, you may ask someone for an 8. If they don’t have an 8 they will send you fishing for another card.

**Class 1WH**

**Welcome back to term 3 :)** Home work and home readers have begun this week. The home reader to be returned each day and homework on Fridays. A big thank you to those with speeches organised, the children have been really enjoying each other’s efforts.

This term zumba classes start up, Premiers Sporting Challenge will finish and Fruit and Veg month will cover the last 4 weeks of term.

Keep an eye out for excursion notes coming soon.

**Class 2L**

**What’s On:**
It’s a big term ahead for all the students of 2L. We have already set 3 goals each to strive towards achieving by the end of the term. I was very surprised about how mature and in-touch with their learning some of the students were in setting very specific goals.

In literacy we will continue to look at Informative writing (including information reports). In mathematics we are focusing on consolidating their skills when counting on and especially back! So remember to do your maths homework to keep in touch with their progress.

This week we have started homework and home readers. Most students have been given their home readers, they are due back EVERY DAY. It is important to read with your child every day to build on the skills they have learnt.

**Class 3R**

**What’s On:**
Welcome back everyone to Term 3. We have great things planned for this term so it is going to be busy but loads of fun. This term we are reading the text ‘Nanberry Black Brother White’, by Jackie French. It is sure to be an interesting text to study. The novel explores the life of an Aboriginal boy and his white brother around the time of Europeans arriving in Australia in 1788. We are also looking forward to our excursion towards the end of this term. More details about the excursion will be available soon. In the meantime if you have any questions about the excursion please let me know.

Regards, Mr Ramage.

**Class 3/4J**

**What’s On:**
I was glad to hear that everyone enjoyed their holidays and are refreshed, ready for another exciting term!

The Athletics Carnival on Friday was a great success! Thank you to all those who helped out, we couldn't have done it without you. It was wonderful to see everyone who participated trying their best.

This term we are exploring Places - then and now, with a particular focus on the first fleet and early Sydney. Please help students to start thinking about what they know about the past, including grandparents, great-grandparents, ancestry etc.

We will also be doing music. If students could please bring in an empty shoe, cereal or tissue box by next Wednesday (30/7/14) I would appreciate it.

The school public speaking finals are coming up, so keep practicing, finalists!

There has been a change to our timetable: Library will now be on Wednesday.

Homework will now be due on Wednesday (starting next week). It will continue going out on Thursday.

Thank you, Renee Jones.
Class 4A
What's On:
Welcome back to Term 3. This is going to be a very exciting term with lots of things happening. Our excursion is in week 8 so please remember to stay on top of your payments. More information regarding the excursion will be coming home in the next few weeks so please keep an eye out for these. Library day has changed to **Wednesday this term**, and I encourage all students to be borrowing books which interest them. We will be participating in Zumba again this term which starts in week 4. I heard that the Athletics carnival was a great success, congratulations to all involved.

Class 4/5M
What's On:
Welcome back! It has been wonderful to start the term listening to all students share their public speaking presentations. All students gave speeches that were interesting and informative. Thank you to all family members who have provided assistance to students during their preparation, they were of a very high quality.
Well done to all students who joined in our athletics carnival on Friday and to those parents who popped by to say hello, support our students and lend a hand on the day. Good luck to our class members who are continuing onto Zone Athletics.

Class 6P
What's On:
Our Year 6 shirts should all be hanging quietly in your cupboard, ready for their big day out on Friday! Students have been asked to wear their shirts on Friday’s only this term. A reminder that speeches for the school public speaking program will be presented on Wednesday and Thursday. Please be prepared to present on either of these two days. The Term 3 Year 6 Scone High School Orientation Day will be held in week 6. Only students who will be attending SHS next year will attend this day.

YOUTH COUNCIL MOVIE NIGHT
• Youth Council Movie Night at Scone Public School
  • Friday 8 August from 5:45 until 7:45pm.
  • The Great Turkey Movie of All Time. Family Comedy. Rated G.
  • Cost $8 per person. Ticket price covers movie, a drink, chips or popcorn and some lollies.
  • RSVP to school offices by Wednesday 6 August
  • Invitations distributed to all schools soon.
  • For more information please contact Mary Spora, Youth Mentor mspora@upperhunter.nsw.gov.au

The President and Committee of Muswellbrook & Upper Hunter Eisteddfod Inc.
Cordially invite you to the
**Annual Gala Concert**
at St James’ Primary School, Muswellbrook
On August 10th 2014 commencing at 2pm.
Afternoon tea will be served following the performances.
RSVP to Mrs Sally Jackson on 6543 4315 by August 6th 2014
The theme for Children’s Book Week this year is: Connect to Reading. Isn’t that a fantastic theme! On a basic level, we want kids to connect by simply participating in the act of reading - whether that reading be a short-listed book, a magazine article about football heroes or a sign saying Wet Paint. We want them to understand the prevalence of reading in their lives, and how important it is to both enjoy reading and develop reading skills. Delving deeper, we encourage children to MAKE connections between what they read, and other things they think, feel, know of. We encourage them to identify connections between what they read and their own lives. We hope they'll embrace reading and connect books to other activities, other people’s stories, other media. Kids are social beings - encouraging them to share books with their friends and others is a wonderful way to help them love reading.

Scholastic Book Fair
The Scholastic Book Fair will open in the library on Tuesday 26th August and finish on Thursday 28th August.

Opening Hours
Tue  8-11, 3-4
Wed  8-10, 3-4
Thurs 8-3

Photo Competition
To take part in the extreme reading competition simply photograph yourself reading in an extreme place. Try and think of the most unusual place and take a phot of yourself there.

Book Week Parade
Dress up as your favourite character from a book for the parade on Thursday 28th August.

Bake-a-Book
Choose a book from the library at home or school and make a cake based on that book. Cakes can be dropped off in the library on Monday 25th August and judging will take place on Thursday 28th August.

COMPETITION
Match the Teacher to their favourite childhood book. Display and entries in the library.