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Celebrating 150 Years
ABERDEEN
PUBLIC SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
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PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Education Week
Thank you to our Captains and Vice Captains for hosting our Education Week Celebration. The P & C did a wonderful job of catering for this function and congratulations once again to our award winners. A special thank you to the dance group and Mrs Kerrigan for providing us with entertainment. Photos are included in this newsletter.

Zone Athletics
Mrs Pennell was absolutely delighted with the team she took away to the zone carnival last week. She reported that our student’s conduct and sportsmanship was outstanding and that our parents/carers were a wonderful support. Thank you Mrs Pennell, students and parents/carers for your efforts on the day.

APS Public Speaking Competition
Mrs Mooring did a wonderful job of coordinating our school public speaking competition. Congratulations to all students who participated and congratulations to the following stage winners who will be going on to represent our school at the zone finals.

Early Stage 1
1st - Chloe A
Highly Commended – Ethan W

Stage 1
Equal 1st - Rossi L & Ziggy T
2nd - Vanessa H
Highly Commended – Candy B

Stage 2
1st – Will H
2nd – Lillian D
Highly Commended – Luke D

Stage 3
1st – Logan M-S
2nd Delta H
Highly Commended – Dominic K
Highly Commended – Emily F

Celebrating 150 Years of Education 1864-2014
Our Sesquicentenary Celebrations are only a month away and our plans 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 or you know of someone who can, please contact me at school.

Sesquicentenary Dinner
If you would like to book a place or a table at our dinner on Saturday 13th September please ring the school on 65437271. The dinner is a fully catered buffet and consists of an antipasto starter, roast meats, vegetables and salad main and desert with tea or coffee. The cost is $35 per person.

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.

Sesquicentenary Program of events:

Saturday 13th September
11am Welcome and official opening
11:15 Opening of the time capsule
• Open classrooms
• Memorabilia Display including the contents of the time capsule
• Art Exhibition
• BBQ Lunch available or BYO picnic lunch
• Performances by current students
• P & C Fete 11:30 – 3pm
3pm Conclusion of daytime events
6:30 Sesquicentenary Dinner

Sunday 14th September
9am BBQ Breakfast
• Open classrooms and memorabilia display
10am Burying of new time capsule
11am Close

Commemorative Polo Shirt
If you would like a commemorative polo shirt for the Sesquicentenary weekend you need to place your order by Friday 8th August. Students who purchase a shirt can wear them every Friday. Contact the school on 65437271 for more information.

Michelle Floyd - Principal

Photos from the Education Week Award Ceremony

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS
Week 2 Term 3
KK Bronx G. – fantastic work during mathematics.
1/2B Ethan G. - for his efforts in numeracy and literacy.
1WH Charlotte W. - excellent efforts to complete set tasks in reading groups.
2L Claire J. - producing a higher standard of work.
3R Abigail M. - excellent effort and attention in class.
3/4J Savanna W-G. - excellent weekly spelling improvement.
4A Cody P. - improved concentration and work ethic during reading groups.
4/5M Hollie D – showing confidence and determination.

Week 3 Term 3
KK Ava R. – being an excellent listener during class discussions and sharing great ideas.
1/2B Liam D. - for his fantastic expression when reading.
1WH Rossi L. - excellent efforts in setting good examples and assisting others when in need.
2L Brayden G. - greater application of his knowledge in all Key Learning Areas.
3R Daniel C. - excellent effort in maths.
3/4J Jacob D. - for excellent results in subtraction with trading.
4A Meagan P. - being a responsible and organised learner.
4/5M Josh E. – being a co-operative and confident contributor to class activities.
Merit Awards

KK  Reily G., Emily McM.
12B  Dakota B., Brydie B.
1WH  Kristen S., William G.
2L  Max M., Kate S.
3R  Tyson C., Jakob J.
3/4J  Toby G., Liam H.
4A  Brianna H., Liam B.
4/5M  Dominic K., Cody B.

Kids Matter Awards

KK  Taj B.  Persistence
    Aaron F.  Resilience
12B  Melissa C.  Resilience
    Jaxon R.  Persistence
1WH  Sienna B.  Resilience
    Annabelle M.  Persistence
2L  Malaki P.  Persistence
    Hallie D.  Resilience
3R  Toby B.  Success
    Courtney C.  Responsibility
3/4J  Liam J.  Happiness
    Ben J.  Respect
4A  Bella-Rose P.  Persistence
    Kynan B.  Happiness
4/5M  Lawson E.  Confidence
    Jye F.  Responsibility

Merit Badge – Tyler J., Rossi L., Faith R.

P & C NEWS

Pie Drive
Thank you to everyone that ordered through the pie drive. We were able to raise $1450 for the nature garden on the top oval.

Fete
Just over 5wks until the fete. We are holding a fete planning meeting on Thursday 7th August at 2pm in the hall. All welcome, we would love to hear your ideas.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday 8th August
Susie Devine
Colleen Compton
Julie Hill
Claire Kent

Monday 11th August
Toni Partridge
Kate Surawski

ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Thank you to all students and parents who participated and helped at the carnival in Singleton last Friday. The weather was definitely not kind, with fierce winds being a deterrent to many a runner. I would like to congratulate our parents and students on the way that they cheered on participants from all schools. We are still awaiting official result confirmation and students who have been successful in progressing to the Regional carnival in Glendale on 29th August will be notified as soon as possible.

BAND REMINDER

There is no band this Wednesday 5/8/14. Missed lessons and band practice will be made up next Term. A note is also going home about a Primary Band Workshop in Scone on the 4th September.

FRUIT & VEGE MONTH

Our school is celebrating FRUIT & VEG MONTH! Fruit & Veg month will run for the last four weeks of this term. From 25th August - 19th September. The theme is RAINBOW JOURNEY and our aim is to increase the student’s awareness and intake of fruit and vegetables. We hope that children will be encouraged to develop healthy eating habits that endure beyond Fruit & Veg month and last a lifetime. Activities will cover a range of curriculum outcomes. Eating a rainbow of fruit and vegetables, means eating a wide variety of different coloured fruits and vegetables every day. For example, every day, eat fruit or vegetables that are red, orange, yellow, green and purple.

Eat a Rainbow of fruit and vegetables every day!

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

August
Thursday 7th   Zumba Starts
Monday 11th   Merriwa Horse Sports
Wednesday 13th  Zone Public Speaking Interschool Competition
Thursday 14th  Sesquicentenary Meeting 5.30 pm
Wednesday 20th  Scone High School Orientation
Thursday 28th  Power FM Breakfast School Spelling Bee Father’s Day Stall
Friday 29th   Aberdeen Horse Sports Regional Athletics
Sunday 31st   Youth Council Scone

September
Tuesday 2nd   Responsible Pet Ownership
Wednesday 3rd – 5th  Stage 2 Excursion
Thursday 4th   Band Workshop
Saturday 13th   Sesquicentenary Opening Fete
                 Spit Roast Dinner
Sunday 14th   Sesquicentenary BBQ Breakfast & Time Capsule Burying

LIBRARY NEWS
I will be away after this week until the beginning of Book Week 26/8/14. Check out each item for dates and times. All classes will browse the book fair and make a wish list in their library time.

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

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 Tuesday 26th August and judging will take place on Thursday 28th August.

EXTREME READING
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 photo of yourself reading there.

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

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

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
**CLASS NEWS:**

**Class KK**

**What's On:**
Thank you to those students that are getting their homework done each week and are returning it on Fridays. This week students have the addition of a maths game to their homework. This game is to be played each night and will assist students in developing and practicing their maths skills. Just a reminder that Zumba will begin this week, it will be on Thursdays. Cost is $10 per student for the 7 week program. This is a fantastic program, last year all students thoroughly enjoyed it, having lots of fun and getting active.

**Class 1/2B**

**What's On:**
Brrrr it has been cold lately, if your child has been feeling the cold lately you may like to send them with a mission to go through the lost property or their tote tray and find that missing jumper or jacket!

Organisation (Thursdays are VERY busy)
1/2B will be having library on Thursdays during Term 3, Zumba on Thursday mornings and Sports for Fun with St. Joseph’s students Thursday afternoon.

**Supplies needed:**
This term students are studying transport for HSIE and as part of our unit study we have begun to design cars that we can paint onto rocks. For this to be successful I am asking students to find and bring in a smooth, medium sized rock suitable for painting. The rock should be about the size of your child’s palm.

EXCITING NEWS
Please keep your eyes out for an infant’s excursion note! It will be coming home soon and parents if you get in early you may be able to come too!

**Class 1WH**

**What's On:**
We start Fruit and Veg month next week. So there might be a little push for more fruit and veg to appear in lunch boxes and snack containers as we graph and record variety and quantity of fruits consumed daily!

Zumba begins this Thursday. This will only cost $10 as the program has been subsidized. Please send payment to school office asap. Could children please bring in rocks for painting, I hate seeing paint on their lovely uniforms.

**Due to a change in timetabling Library is now on Wednesdays.**

**Class 2L**

**What's On:**
Welcome to Ms Boulton who will be looking after our class while I am on paternity leave with my second child. The students of 2L have had a fantastic start to term 3. Most have made a good start to our units of work and areas of interest.

At the beginning of the term we all set 3 achievable personal goals. Believe it or not some students have already achieved them! Ask your children their goals and see if you can help them.

This term we are also beginning to learn Key Message Language or Makitons which is used to supplement our oral language. This is where students learn sign language on key words of a sentence, such as 'I need to go to the toilet.' So far the students have learnt good morning, toilet and band aid.

See you all in a few weeks time!

**Class 3R**

**What's On:**
Students are enjoying the text “Nanberry” this term. We have been exploring what life was like in 1788 with the arrival of Europeans to Australia. There has been lots of interesting discussion around this topic and many good questions asked. We have also had lots of birthdays during the last month and many thanks to parents who have brought cupcakes in to share.

Regards, Mr Ramage

**Class 3/4J**

**What's On:**
Another fortnight has flown by! Congratulations to the S2 dance group for their wonderful performances and to the public speaking finalist for their confident speeches. It was very difficult choosing who to progress, they were all so good!

The Touch Gala Day is on tomorrow Wednesday (6/8), remember to wear school sports uniform, hat, sunscreen and bring plenty to eat and drink. Don’t forget to bring your homework in too, please!

Zumba starts this Thursday (7/8) and the stage 2 excursion is only 4 weeks away! Please bring your money in as soon as you can for these.

Thanks, Renee Jones

**Class 4A**

**What's On:**
All of Stage 2 is heading to Scone for a touch football gala day tomorrow. Thank you to all who brought their notes in. The students will get to play at least 3 games in a non-competitive environment focused on fun and participation.

A reminder for students to bring in an old shirt for painting, I hate seeing paint on their lovely uniforms. Homework has been completed by most of our students to a very high standard all year and I thank them. Please keep this up.

Zumba starts this Thursday so please return this note and $10 ASAP. Thanks

**Class 4/5M**

**What's On:**
It has been a fortnight filled with personal achievements in 4/5M. We have had a number of students competing in academic and sporting competitions. Well done to Hollie, Sarah, Dominic, Lawson and Delta who presented speeches as part of our school Public Speaking Competition.

A number of our class members travelled to the Zone Athletics Carnival last Friday and represented our
school with pride. I have heard reports that these students demonstrated great sportsmanship and were a great support to each other.

In class we are preparing for the Premiers Spelling Bee which will take place later this month. All students have been given a word list to study as part of their homework each week.

**Class 6P**

**What’s On:** Congratulations to all who participated in the school Public Speaking competition. We wish the finalists the best of luck at the next level of competition.

A reminder that 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. Permission notes have gone out and should be returned to Mrs Pennell as soon as possible please.