PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Buddy Bench
The buddy bench is a simple idea to eliminate loneliness and foster friendship on the playground. The buddy bench helps spread the message of inclusion and kindness!
A huge thank you to Bunnings, Muswellbrook Men’s Shed and our P & C for ensuring that we received two buddy benches.

Term 4 is a very busy term in all schools. Our teachers are busy preparing reports, organising excursions, swimming school, the Year 6 farewell, the Mini Fete, presentation day and are also extremely focussed on teaching their class. Due to the busy nature of Term 4, the onset of hot weather and the start of daylight savings our students will become very tired as the term rolls on. To ensure they have a productive term they need to come to school well rested each day.

Variation to School Development Day
Our teaching staff will be attending a fantastic 2 day professional learning workshop on Friday 6th and Saturday 7th of November. To enable all staff to attend we have changed the professional development day (pupil free day) that was scheduled for Thursday 17th December to Friday 6th November so that all staff can attend this amazing learning opportunity. This means that Friday 6th November is a pupil free day.

Congratulations to our enthusiastic P & C members for hosting a thoroughly enjoyable bowls day on Saturday.

School photo day is tomorrow
Each student was provided with a personalised envelope last week and they are expected to return their envelope on photo day regardless of whether they are purchasing photos or not. Please enclose the correct money as no change is given. Ensure your child is looking their best in full summer school uniform (black shoes, black or gold hair accessories only, plain silver or gold stud earrings) and a smile!

Family group envelopes are available at the front office.

Change to Bus Travel Routes
Osborns’ Bus Company asks that students travelling on a different bus to their usual route, have permission notes signed by parents and co-signed by the school to acknowledge this change. Our drivers will be notifying student passengers that if there is no note, there will be no travel eg: if their friends are wanting to catch the different bus. This is for the safety of students.
Rose Garden
Students have been creating artworks at the Aberdeen Rose Garden each week under the guidance of local artist Mr Davis.

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS
Week 3 Term 4
K Yellow  Aimee R. – great improvement in her reading.
K Lime   Georgia N. - outstanding writing about sharks.
1 Blue   Blyhe D. - making a sustained commitment to learning.
2 Purple Lexie W. – great contributions to class discussions and for her positive influence on others.
2/3 Red  Hayley M. - excellent effort and attention in maths.
3/4 Magenta Seth F. - excellent summarising and comprehension in reading groups.
4/5 Green Courtney C. – continued application and effort in class.
5 Orange Jacob D – demonstrating leadership qualities in and outside the class room.
5/6 Black Jayden H. – a mature approach to class work and improved organisational skills.

Merit Awards
K Yellow  Noah L.
K Lime   Adeline H.
1 Blue   Jett P.
2 Purple  Madison G.
2/3 Red  Camden O.
3/4 Magenta Brayden G.
4/5 Green  Luke D.
5 Orange Maxene E.
5/6 Black Takira W-G.
### Kids Matter Awards

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### Bronze Bar

Malaki P.

### P & C NEWS

Thank you to everyone that came along and supported the Lawn Bowls Fun Day. The extreme heat kept our numbers down but we managed to raise $500 towards the car park upgrade. Huge thanks to Aberdeen RSL Club for guiding us through the day and Aberdeen Men's Shed for cooking the bbq.

**School Disco** - THIS Thursday. Please note children do not have to dress up if they don't want too. There will be prizes for best dancers and maybe even a dance off with some teachers. Come along for a fun night out.

$5 is entry, a sausage sandwich and a popper. $2 just for entry. There will be chips, lolly bags and glow sticks available on the night to purchase.

**Family Photos** - are on NEXT Saturday and Sunday and we have a couple of spots left to fill. Saturday 31st October 1.15pm and 3.15pm. Sunday 1st November 4pm.

$20 booking fee needs to be paid asap. To book please phone Jodie 0407766364.

**Christmas Raffle** - we have started sourcing prizes to go with this year’s Christmas raffle, if you are a business that would like to contribute to the prize pool, please let us know. Information and tickets will go out in due course.

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*Plenty of young bowlers came out and supported the Lawn Bowls Fun Day.

We are in the process of planning our fundraising for 2016 and would love to hear the ideas of the families within our school. Stay tuned for more information.*
FORTHCOMING DATES

OCTOBER
Wednesday 21st  School Photos
        Early Birds 2016 (12 – 3pm)
P & C Meeting 6pm in Library
Thursday 22nd  School Disco
Friday 23rd  Assembly (1B Performance)
Wednesday 28th  Early Birds 2016 (12 – 3pm)

NOVEMBER
Thursday 5th  Cricket Gala Day T20 Milo
Friday 6th  Staff Development Day – No School For Students
Thursday 12th  Hunter Wetlands Excursion
        Years 1 and 2
Wednesday 25th  Year 6 Fete

DECEMBER
Wednesday 9th  Presentation Day
Thursday 10th  Year 6 Farewell

You are invited!
1 Blue is performing at assembly this week!
Please come along and share in 1 Blues fabulous work this term.

Rewards Program – Available in Term 4

With the withdrawal of the Lunar Light Bond this term, we are releasing an alternative reward item in Term 4. Alongside our Outer Space Savers Money Box, students’ savings efforts can now be rewarded with our new Galaxy Gold (available while stocks last). Students will be able to test their skills with a game of桌上 with our new reward item.

Still in stock are the following reward items from our 2015 Outer Space Savers range:
- ET DVD
- Intergalactic Rocket
- Invasive In Martian Pens

Plus, we have limited stock available from our 2014 Deep Sea Savers range of reward items including:
- Scintillating Pencils
- Shark Pouch Toy Keyring
- Swimming Bag

To help spread the word to students who are looking to redeem a reward, we’ve created a depot wallet slip that lists all the available reward items. Simply download and print from comebank.com.au/html under Support materials in the section titled, Download activity sheets and materials.

Have you downloaded our latest communication tools?

Skoolbag
Smartphone school to parent communication

Install the Aberdeen Public School App for FREE in the App Store and Play Store.

Like our Facebook page and keep up to date with what’s happening at A.P.S.

Does your child have a disability?

In this you? Most of the time, you know you are doing a good job with parenting. But there are times when things get a little tricky. Like when your toddler won’t eat her dinner or your six year old won’t share his toys. If only someone could give you some ideas to make these times easier! If this sounds like you, then a Stepping Stones Triple P seminar may be right for you.

As part of the Stepping Stones Triple P Project, Family Insight and Raymond Terrace Public School invites all parents of children with a disability aged 2 to 12 to attend the following FREE parenting seminar series:

Seminar 1: Positive Parenting for Children with a Disability
            Tuesday 1st November 2016, 10.00am - 12.00pm
Seminar 2: Helping Your Child reach their Potential
            Tuesday 8th November 2016, 10.00am - 12.30pm
Seminar 3: Changing Problem Behaviour into Positive Behaviour
            Tuesday 15th November 2016, 10.00am - 12.30pm

Where: Raymond Terrace Public School Hall, Swan Street, Raymond Terrace

RTPA: All these programs are being funded as part of a research project; please contact the research team to register your interest.
Phone: 02 9124 4800
Email: ra.steppingstones@sydney.edu.au

ATTENTION PARENTS & CAREGIVERS

When your child arrives to school late, they need to be signed in at the office by an adult or, a note must be written explaining their lateness and given to the office on their arrival.

SunSmart Snippet

...to be SunSmart in spring.

Did you know that during spring you need to protect your skin from the sun every day?

In most parts of NSW, the UV level is 3 or above during spring. This means that even on cooler days, you need to protect your skin in five ways: slip on sun-safe clothing, slap on (SPF30+ or higher), broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen, slap on a broad-brimmed hat, seek shade, slip on sunglasses.

How do you know if the UV level is 3 or above in your area?

Download the SunSmart app! The app provides recommended sun protection times, a calculator to check if you’re using enough sunscreen, and a tracker to find out if you’re getting enough UV exposure to help with your vitamin D levels.

Tip: Have your kids with you? Check your school’s SunSmart notice by heading to www.sunsmart.com.au