DIARY DATES

June
20th Finance Committee Meeting (Staff Room) 6pm
26th Hub Community Coffee Morning (U1 Wet Area) 9am
28th Governing Council Meeting (Staff Room) 7pm
29th Canteen Committee Meeting (Staff Room) 2pm

July
4th MID-YEAR REPORTS GO HOME
CASUAL & DISCO Day
6th R-7 SPANISH Assembly (Hall) 11:25am

NOTICES THIS TERM

• Aberfoyle Community Centre Inc. - Term 2 Information
• Shrek 3 Ticket Order Forms - Pedal Prix fundraiser 28/5/07
• Head Lice Notice – 4/6/07 (Room 15 only)
• Temporary relocation of Unit 2 – (Unit 2 only)
• Proposed Education Cuts (Gov Council letter) – 18/6/07

PRINCIPAL AWARDS

EARLY YEARS
Confidence: Chloe L, Jasmina B, Kaia S & Sarah H
Organization: Emily J, Nathan B, Nicole S & Kate P
Persistence: Bailey P, Caitlin M, Jack D & Kerim M
Resilience: Bradley J

MIDDLE SCHOOL
Confidence: Jessica S, Lily M, Sarah R & Tom W
Organization: Alexandra P, Brad L, Jake M, Kiara F, Maxine L, Rachael M & Tessa L
Persistence: Gemma H, Joanna K & Maja M
Resilience: Jessica N, Josh N & Rooms 5 & 6
Music: Aaron N, Hannah W, Sophie M & Zoe S

FROM THE MANAGEMENT TEAM

The media has been full of reports about the proposed new DECS “Efficiencies” in schools and the State Budget. You may be wondering what these “Efficiencies” mean for us at Aberfoyle Hub School and most importantly what they may mean for our students. These “Efficiencies” also include the possible loss of the Instrumental Music funding and the Aquatics Program. This is in addition to the loss already of curriculum support positions within the district, the closure of Technology School of the Future and the Be Active funding.

Having looked at the figures for 2008, based on the information we currently have, we would have an increase in expenditure of $81,162 if these “Efficiencies” go ahead. These changes include schools covering the cost of - a 1% levy of total salaries for Work Cover, 4 weeks salary for injured staff, $100 of medical expenses, 25% reduction in energy funding, 10% reduction in water funding (energy and water reduction will be based on 2001 consumption), police checks on volunteers ($15 per person) and first aid training fees for all staff.

This year, as in the past, we are running on virtually a zero budget, meaning that any monies that are coming in this year are already spent or allocated against a liability, therefore the question remains – “Where do we find the extra money next year to cover these costs?” The most obvious places to look would be:
• The salary budget – this would mean a total loss of our classroom SSO hours and our Intervention Programs (Early Years Literacy, SHIP withdrawal and Fun and Games co-ordination.
• The curriculum budget – less money across the board for all curriculum areas significantly impacting on student learning or
• The ICT budget – this would mean no upgrades in technologies or
• Extra-curricular activities – Jump Rope (Hub Flames), Pedal Prix, Wakakirri, Choir, Instrumental Music (recorder) or
• An increase in our materials and services fees of approximately $165 per student

Our SASIF account (School Investment Account) appears on paper to be very healthy, however this money is allocated to liabilities including:
• Long Service Leave provision for Out of School Hours Care and Canteen staff
• Equipment replacement and maintenance.

Therefore, it would not be wise to use such a large amount of this money. As you can see, the Finance Committee will be facing some difficult decisions in the future. We will endeavour to keep you fully informed (as further information is received) as to the impact it will have here at the Hub.
THE COTTAGE GARDEN

As part of Environment Week Judy Gum’s Receptions and Louise Bryant’s Year 1/2s re-planted the Cottage Garden in the Junior Primary play area. They replaced non-native plants requiring substantial watering with natives that require less water and will attract more birds to our environment. They worked hard all afternoon in buddies and returned to the garden the next week to complete the mulching. Special thanks to Judy Gum for purchasing the plants and Ian, our Groundsperson for the digging over of the ground and supplying the mulch. A wonderful effort by all!

PARKING & DROP-OFF / PICK-UP ZONES

Thank you to parents who are using zones correctly before/after school by pulling up, dropping off and leaving immediately, thus avoiding any congestion/safety issues. Everyone’s patience during these times is appreciated. In the afternoon, please refrain from using the drop-off zone as a park. The College Avenue back gate area gets very congested. A strategy to overcome the problem in the afternoons could be to arrive after the bell goes - by doing this your child will be waiting on the footpath and therefore you’ll be able to pick up and drive off immediately. Remember too, that double parking is illegal and unsafe. As staff have a duty of care to ensure students enter/leave the school grounds safely, there may be times when they need to remind parents of using these zones legally and safely.

To ensure the safety of all students, parents are reminded that they are NOT permitted to use the STAFF CAR PARKS (front/back). These car parks are available for school employees and contractors. For safety reasons, students should use the path and not walk/ride bikes through car parks. Let’s continue to keep our children safe.

R-7 MUSIC ASSEMBLY

Held on Friday June 8th, the assembly show-cased our highly successful Senior Choir, the Junior Choir and a presentation by Judy Gum’s Receptions on their Come-Out activities.

The Senior Choir led by our wonderful Kirsty Dent performed a well-known song by Shannon Noll entitled ‘Shine’. Their timing, pitch and total performance highlighted why they were so successful in their assessment earlier in the term. They also performed ‘Magical Kingdom’ with soloist Sophie Matthews showing confidence and a stage presence that belies her years.

Judy Gum’s Receptions showed us their clocks and what they had learnt about time following their excursion to ‘Hickory Dickory Dock’. Again, what confidence it showed for them to be able to stand up and speak to the whole school.

The assembly ended with our Junior Choir, led by the amazing Phil Davis, sharing their learning about Ned Kelly and giving a rousing rendition of ‘Poor Ned’. This was also in response to a Come-out performance that they attended.

Our next whole-school assembly is in Week 10 and will have a Spanish focus - Ole!

OSHC NEWS

EFTPOS is now available for paying OHSC fees. We can take manual credit card transactions at OSHC or you can access savings/cheque accounts on the Book Room machine. There’s a $1-00 fee for credit card transactions. The cold weather is here to stay and presents extra challenges for OSHC staff - mainly keeping warm! The hall is popular for games, soccer, gym mat and wheelie boards. Internet use in the Library is also popular on a cold afternoon. OSHC has limited access to the Internet so children only access it once a week. The Vacation Care Program is out now with bookings being taken. Both Tuesdays are booked but we have vacancies on other days. See OSHC staff if you’re working during the holidays and need care.
PEDAL PRIX ROUND 1 FLIES OFF

On the 20th of May, at Victoria Park the first round of Pedal Prix kicked off, and what a start it was.

It was really quite cold as the Hubcaps Riders pulled up at the tent and got ready at 8:30am for a tour of the Victoria Park track. All the Riders felt like crawling back into their beds, but they knew that this first round was going to be way too good to miss. As the race grew closer, the team had already checked their bikes, got their piece of foam (for when sitting in the bikes) and got ready to race. Once everyone was set to race, the Flag was flown and the first of the racers began the first slow lap around the track. They then got ready to pedal, thus forth starting the Pedal Prix series for 2007.

Not a very long time went by and the first hour was already over and, in their respective categories, the Hubcaps bikes were performing admirably. It was a similar story for the rest of the day. In the end, the race sped by surprisingly quickly for a 6-hour race. It was really quite exhilarating in the fact that most people enjoyed themselves and the results for Aberfoyle Hub School were great. At the end of the race, all the Hubcaps riders were exhausted but were thankful to all the people who helped in making the day possible and now await Round 2 with eager anticipation.

RESULTS:

In category 1
1st place: Flying Hubcaps Bike No. 8
6th place: Cruising Hubcaps [G] Bike No. 20
14th place: Burning Hubcaps Bike 40
16th place: Speeding Hubcaps Bike No. 56

In category 2
5th place: Raging Senior Hubcaps Bike No. 82
17th place: Lightning Senior Hubcaps Bike No. 70

Sean W

SPORTS RESULTS

BASKETBALL
Yr 2/3 Boys: 5/6/07 Hub Tigers (21) def Aberfoyle Campus(2)
Well done boys! Go Tigers!
Yr 2/3 Boys: 12/6/07 Hub Tigers (24) def Monkeys (18)
Excellent game boys! Terrific passing.

FOOTBALL
Yr 4/5: 9/6/07 Hub defeated Colonel light Gardens on forfeit
Yr 4/5: 16/6/07 Hub (12pts) def by Black Forest (89pts)
Best Players: Kris C, Jack M, Troy H

SAPSASA NEWS

SOCCER
Congratulations on gaining SAPSASA Girls Soccer selection.

NETBALL
Last week we went to the SAPSASA Netball State Carnival. Maddie A and Kayla W from our school were in Team 1 and Leah M, Kelly F, Natallia K and Olivia B in Team 2. Our district was Southern Valley. We were very successful. Team 1 came first and was undefeated. It was a great week. We played teams from all over SA. We played 2 games a day except on Friday, when there was a presentation and demonstration match (for a development camp in the holidays). Selectors chose people with ability. We were 2 of the 3 chosen from Southern Valley. Our team got a medal and a big shield for winning. Each school involved in the carnival gets the shield for 2 weeks and our school keeps it. We’d like to thank Ms Fudge for all her efforts with SAPSASA Netball.

Kayla W & Maddie A

FOOTBALL
During Week 6 Tristan C, Ashley L, Jack M, Ben V, Jonty M and Chad S played 9 games of football in a week during the State Carnival. We won 3 games and lost 6 in our division. We finished 6th in our division and 16th overall. Luckily enough, someone from our school was picked to represent the Special Division Two Squad. Congratulations to Tristan C.

Ashley L & Jack M

CROSS COUNTRY
On Friday June 1st SAPSASA Cross Country runners went to Victoria Park for the State Day. In the morning we went to Unit 1 Wet Area to get briefed about the day. When we got to Victoria Park we found an area to put our bags and to sit. Jack M and Daniel W were in our 1st event at 10:35am - Jack came 108th and Daniel 116th. Olivia B was in the 11:05am event and Ben B, Mikey K and Jack H ran at 11:15. 11:30am runners were Emma S, Chloe B, Samantha F, Cassandra E and Caitlyn G, with Scott M, Samuel O, Ari M and Flynn S in the next event. After a long break, Tristan C ran and came 10th. He was invited back to try out for the state. Next were Natasha H and Amy M, then Luke H, Torben S and Jack M. Later that day Caitlyn P did well. The last event was the 13y.o. Boys Div 2 (Adrian S, Jai C, Sam N and Luke D). Adrian was 37th out of 177 runners and Luke D 148th. It was a good effort from all runners. Many thanks to parents who provided transport.

Tristan C & Adrian S

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SENIOR BOYS SOCCER
The Senior Boys have played 4 games now and are doing well, having won 3 and lost one. It's been good to see the boys working well as a team and trying out some of the skills and tactics they have been learning at practice. Thanks also to the parents who are helping with line and field referee duties and setting up/packing up on match day (most appreciated). Our first round cup match is on next Tuesday, 26th June at 7:15pm at Bowker St, Brighton – all welcome to cheer us on!

THANK YOU
Thank you to the Salvation Army, Aberfoyle Park for donating a netball to our Year 5 Netball Team. It is much appreciated by the netball team and Out of School Sport Committee.

CHRISTIAN OPTIONS PROGRAM: TERM 3
Year 6/7 students are invited to take part in a Christian Options Program run by local church representatives. Three lessons will be held on consecutive Tuesdays (July 24, 31 and August 7). Year 4/5s can participate on August 14, 21 and 28. If you do not wish your child to take part in these lessons, please communicate in writing with your child’s teacher.

CASUAL & DISCO DAY
Wednesday, 4th July
R-2 Disco at Lunchtime (run by SRC)
$1.00 admission
Year 3-5 Disco  6:00-7:30 pm
Year 6-7 Disco  7:45-9:15 pm
$3.00 admission
The following Canteen lines will be available for purchase at the evening discos:
Fruit Box Drinks ($1.00 each)
Bags of Apricot Logs (20c)
Raspberry and Apricot Bars (35c)
Choc Chip Muesli Bars (50c)
Jumpys Chips (55c)
JJs Vege Chips (60c)
Students can wear casual clothes to school (there is no charge)
Only CURRENT students of Aberfoyle Hub School can attend the evening discos

Aberfoyle Community Centre
SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
The Aberfoyle Community Centre will be providing a FAMILY school holiday program, available to low income families with children in Reception to Year 7. As these outings are family-based, all children must be accompanied by an adult.
Friday, 13th July:
Maritime Museum & Port Princess Dolphin Cruise.
Please bring a packed lunch. Snacks & drinks provided.
$5 pp. Bus departs Centre at 9:15am, returning at 4pm.
Friday, 20th July:
Cross Road Bowling & Tandanya Aboriginal Centre.
Lunch provided (hot dog).
$5 pp. Bus departs Centre at 9:45am, returning at 4pm.
For more information call the Centre on 8270 5377
(56 Sunnymeade Drive, Aberfoyle Park, 5159)
Limited positions are available
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL – must be made before 2nd JULY

STAFF AS LEARNERS
AHS staff are on a learning journey too! Since our 2 days of learning with dynamic presenter Lane Clark in March, most staff have been working on implementing some of Lane’s ideas regarding teaching, learning and assessment. We have all had 2 half days to meet in our year-level teams to plan and discuss how to implement these ideas. As we discuss and share our ideas, we keep learning and developing our teaching skills. It has been exciting to observe the willingness to try new approaches across the whole school.
In another forum, staff meet regularly to plan the best ways to implement our school’s objectives for improvement. This is called our Site Learning Plan and all schools have one. One group is leading a review of the Behaviour Management Policy, another is looking at the role of student voice and in particular how to maximise the benefits for students through our Student Representative Council. Another group is looking at how to consolidate all of our training and development to create a ‘learning language’ that is consistent across the school. The fourth group have been consulting about staff and student well-being issues within the school.
We are planning a Parent Information session to keep you up to date with how our learning is impacting the delivery of the curriculum in this school. To help us in this planning, please complete the feedback slip and return it to your child’s teacher.

LEARNING & CURRICULUM DELIVERY: PARENT INFORMATION SESSION
Attention Class Teacher:
Name: ……………………………………………….….  Student’s Name: …………………………………………..……. Room: ……..
I am interested in hearing about ……………………………………………………………………………………………………….……
I’d prefer a day session / evening session The most convenient day of the week is ………………………………………..

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