

# Aberfoyle b News R-7 School

# TERM 1 Week 10

# Last day of Term 1: Friday, April 12<sup><sup>u</sup></sup> \*\*\*\*\*\* EARLY Dismissal (2:30pm) \*\*\*\*\* CASUAL DAY: Super-

hero theme (Gold coin donation)

# Special Events

Sports Day: Week 10 Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup> Back-up Sports Day (11/4/19)

#### Advanced Notice: **Pupil Free Days**

- \* Term 2 Week 9 Monday, June 24
- ∗ Term 3 Week 6
  ∗ Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup>
- Term 4 Week 3 Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>

School Closure Day Term 3 — Week 6 Friday, August 30<sup>th</sup>

**R-5 Swimming** Term 2: Week 6 June 3<sup>rd</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>

# LOST PROPERTY

Please check Unit 1 lost property bin and general-use areas within the school for misplaced items.



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Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School

# From the Principal

#### End of Term/Upcoming Sports Day

The school term is quickly coming to an end, with one more week left for us all. For our new Receptions it has been a long term learning what it is like to be at school five days a week and full days. Their growth has been immense for such a short time frame. Congratulations to all of our new Receptions for displaying such wonderful resilience with their learning and always being willing to give things a go.

This coming Friday we have Sports Day and by all reports it should be a wonderful day with 32<sup>c</sup> predicted. I am looking forward to seeing all of our families come and ioin us as we watch the wonderful sporting feats that will be displayed throughout the day. Please feel free to not only join us but also encourage family to come and join in.

#### New Web Page Update

Many of you would be aware the school is working hard in trying to put up our new school web page. Staff have been working to make sure all information that will go up is up-to-date and relevant to everyone in the community. It is taking us a little longer than expected, however the aim is to make sure once the new school website is up there will be very few changes required.

#### Parent/Caregiver/Student/Teacher Interviews

This year for the first time we introduced and tried a new system of Parent/ Caregivers making their bookings with their children's respective teachers. I have been quite pleased to have been informed that Parents/Caregivers I have spoken to provided very positive feedback with the new system. The most liked features reported have been knowing instantaneously what time their booking was set for and the email being immediately sent to them confirming the day and time. Another positive com-

ment has also been how easy it is to log on and use. We will be looking to phase out the old paper system and fully transition in the New Year to the online method of booking for interviews. Thank you to all parents/caregivers for providing us with feedback.

#### Attendance

Student attendance at school is an area that concerns each and every one of us. It is of great importance that our students attend school daily. There has been and is extensive research that shows the effects of being absent, the impact it has on a child's learning over time. These effects are not only linked to learning but also can have impacts on their social and emotional development.

Success in attendance can only occur when we all work in partnership. This includes the school, parents/caregivers and students. Each and every one of us has an obligation to make sure students are at school. Currently we are re-assessing our Behaviour Policy and the Department for Education is also in the process of re-looking at the Department policy. Once the review process is complete and any new measures included, we will share these updates with you. In the interim please make sure you contact the school if your child is away for any reason as this will assist the front office and class teachers as to the reasons why your child is away. If you have any queries about attendance feel free to contact the school and ask for assistance. In the meantime letting your class teacher know via Dojo, using Skoolbag, emailing or ringing the school when your child is away are acceptable ways of letting us know.

#### **Tas Ktenidis** Principal

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## ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Worth their weight in Gold! Limited, new supplies of the 2019/2020 Entertainment Book will arrive early Term 2.

Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School is raising funds by selling the 2019/2020 Entertainment Membership, either by purchasing the book or taking the Digital option, for **\$70** each. Proceeds from the sale of Entertainment Books/Digital Memberships will help the Fundraising Committee support our school.

Entertainment Books contain hundreds of 25-50% off and two-for-one offers from popular restaurants, cinemas, hotel accommodation, the arts and sporting events and are a great idea as birthday or anniversary gifts for family or friends. Books can be purchased at school in limited amounts or, if you prefer Books & Digital Memberships can be purchased online at: www.entbook.com.au/161v867

#### **OSHC News**

Hi all, as most of you are aware I am excitedly awaiting the arrival of my first child due this June and I will be starting Maternity Leave on April 15<sup>th</sup>. I am very excited for this next chapter in my life and cannot wait to share the news with you all when my baby arrives. I will be returning to Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School OSHC early in May 2020.

I am leaving OSHC in the very capable hands of our new Acting Director, **Megan Steel**. Megan has years of experience as an OSHC Director, previously working at Unley OSHC and is very excited to start with us in Vacation Care.

Nicola Kuhn OSHC Director

#### **TERM 1 BULLY AUDIT RESULTS**

For the purpose of the audit that was conducted this term, 'bullies' are students identified 3 or more times on the individual class summary sheets. Students identified as 'bullies' from the whole-school bully audit were mostly from Years 3 - 7. These incidents mainly occurred at break times in the playground and on the oval, mostly involving name calling and teasing. Staff are aware of these students and are working in partnership with them (and their families) in communicating successfully with everyone at school and also for other students to feel safe around them.

Sarah Magnusson Deputy Principal

### **DI's DIALOGUE**

Hi everyone. Wow, has the term nearly finished already? Just some information for the younger student's parents in particular - I have several 'friends' in my room which may from time to time come home to visit. These 'friends' are to visit only overnight and, where possible, are to be kept clean and dry. One of my friends, **Howard**, →



may come on holidays with students in which case he has a journal in which the student would write/draw and add pictures. I will send photos through the newsletter of the 'friends' so you can be sure of where they have come from.

#### Di Brinkworth Pastoral Care Worker

#### FUNDRAISING News Mother's Day Stall

Help Needed! We are seeking parent volunteers to assist with sales on the Mother's Day Stall to be held on **Tuesday**,



**May 7<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> May** (9am - 12noon). If you are able to help out for 1-2 hours on either day, please add your name to the roster located at the Front Office. All volunteers require a current DHS (formerly DCSI) screening clearance.

## **Easter Raffle**

#### Enter the draw to win an Easter Basket!

A book of 5x raffle tickets (\$1 per ticket) has been sent home with every child. Extra raffle tickets can be purchased from the Front Office.



Please return money and raffle ticket stubs with child's name and class to the Front Office by Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>.

The Easter Raffle will be drawn on Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup> and winners announced on Class Dojo.

Thank you The Fundraising Committee

# SPORT News

#### Cricket

Aberfoyle Hub played their last cricket game for the term on Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup>. It was another great performance by the team in inclement weather – we did get rained on, but luckily got to finish the game. We once again got close to a win but fell just short on runs. Top scorer with the bat was Emma J with some good shots played and Lucas S also batted well. Best with the ball was Emma J and Simrat A, who got 2 wickets apiece. All players showed great improvement throughout the term in all facets of the game. Hopefully they all look forward to Term 4!

#### Soccer

We are in urgent need of a Soccer Coach for Term 2. If we cannot get coaches the children will not get to play. We are delighted that we now

have a Coordinator, Mark Dempsey, to support coaches with their training.

Sarah Magnuson Deputy Principal



	DIARY DATES: APRIL / MAY	
	5/4	SPORTS DAY
	10/4	Easter Raffle ticket stubs & money due back to Front Office
	11/4	Back-up Sports Day; Easter Raffle Draw (winners announced on Class Dojo)
	12/4	Last day of Term 1 ***EARLY 2:30pm dismissal (Casual Day - gold coin)
	29/4	First day of Term 2
	12/5	Mother's Day
	13-24/5	NAPLAN ONLINE Testing

## HARMONY DAY

At the Hub we celebrated Harmony Day with an assembly. The classes had made displays around 'The Story of Us' which showed the connections within the classroom and which are now placed around the school. The whole school participated in a group sing of "We are The World". The assembly was finished after the staff did a dance to celebrate Ms Thorburn's baby bump.



# Of interest

# Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School has joined the 2019 Colgate Community Garden Challenge!

By diverting oral care waste from landfill, the top 3 schools earning the most recycling points will each win a \$6000 community garden!



1x Oral Care Waste Item = 10 points (e.g. 1x toothbrush = 10 points, 1x toothpaste tube = 10 points)

1x Daily Online Vote = 1 point Vote <u>every day</u> at:

The challenge runs up until 30 Sept 2019 (The recycling bin is located in the courtyard

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# FUNDRAISING News



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