

Aberfoyle

Hub News

R-7 School

2020

TERM 2

Week 6

**PUPIL
FREE
DAY**



TERM 2, WEEK 7
Tuesday, June 9th

Advanced Notice:

Pupil Free Days

- * Term 3 — Week 8
Monday, September 7th
- * Term 4 — Week 3
Friday, October 30th

School Closure Day

Term 3 — Week 7
Friday, September 4th

School Photos Coming Soon (Individual only)

Week 8

Wednesday, June 17th

Catch up photos

Thursday, 18th June

This year Academy Photography will be taking our school photos. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, class and group photos will be taken in Term 3. Envelopes for online ordering will be sent home soon. **Please bring the envelopes in on photo day.** Payment can be made via online ordering or in your child's envelope.



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Tas Ktenidis

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Sarah Magnusson



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From the Principal

SCHOOL UPDATE

As COVID-19 measures begin to be relaxed in the greater community, we are very fortunate as a State, with the success we have had in minimising the impact of the virus. This is the result of the restrained measures we have all practised as a school community. In reflection, I am very proud to be part of a school community in which we have all taken care of each other.

As we continue to reflect on the measures that we have in place, including reviewing what we do on a regular basis, there are a couple of measures that will remain in place for the remainder of Term 2 or unless the Department for Education and SA Health advise differently.

All Assemblies for the remainder of Term 2 will not be held, following advice on large gatherings, we will continue to safeguard all students, staff and parents/caregivers. We will review this measure in preparation for Term 3.

Discussions held with Governing Council and recognising steps required to try and successfully hold winter sport has led to the difficult decision for this year that we will not participate in any winter sport. This decision was not one we wished to have made but the current climate warrants that everyone's wellbeing remains a priority.

All classrooms including class units will remain closed to the outside community for the remainder of Term 2. We will again review this for Term 3. All current measures that are in place for the front office will also remain for the duration of Term 2.

Please make sure when you come to school to drop off or pick up your child to do so quickly. Please keep to the social distancing rules and please do not stay back after school. We are still required to safeguard each other for COVID-19.

If your child does present with any cold or flu-like symptoms, please make sure you keep them at home. Please visit your GP and make sure the Doctor has cleared your child to return. No-one who is ill should be at school.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Our goal is to achieve 100% participation in the Premier's Reading Challenge. We did have some very good success last year with a number of classes recording 100% participation. This year the guidelines have been relaxed a little. Where previously students had a set list of PRC books to read, they are now able to read any book they have access to. Please encourage them to participate and meet their reading quota.

Growth Mind Set

Part of the learning process is that whatever we set our minds to learn about, it initially is a struggle to learn and master set new skills. Research shows that struggling is critical to mastery and that the highest achieving people in the world are those who have struggled the most. Neuroscientists have found that mistakes are helpful for brain growth and connectivity and if we are not struggling, we are not learning. Not only is struggle good for our brains but people who know about the value of struggle improve their learning potential.

Jo Boaler has shared with us the importance of struggle as stated above. Please make time to read this article as it provides some excellent insight into how we can all support our children.

<https://www.edsurge.com/news/2019-10-28-why-struggle-is-essential-for-the-brain-and-our-lives>

Tas Ktenidis
Principal

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RECEPTION Enrolments 2021

If your child is eligible to start school in 2021 or you know of any children wishing to start school, then please advise us as soon as possible as this information will help us to make informed decisions about class placements for next year.

Enrolment forms are available from the Front Office.

Tas Ktenidis
Principal

IT News

Skoolbag App

To install our Skoolbag School App, just search for our school name (Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School) in either the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. For Windows users, search for Skoolbag in the Windows Store and install the app then find our school. App users will be prompted to register with a username and password. This will enable users to save their Group Subscription settings across devices. Users will be sent an email address to verify their account, however, you will not be prevented from logging into the app. Once users login, they will be able to personalise their group and notification preferences.

All recent, unseen notifications can be found by clicking the bell icon in the top right corner of the app.

Notices sent to the whole school via Content Categories will still appear in the 'Home' section.



However, information published to Content Groups will appear in the Groups Tab. Users can modify their Group Subscriptions at any time.



To receive newsletters or notices or to report student absences use this link:

<https://skoolbag.com.au/webplugin/?schoolid=2415>

FAREWELL Pre-Service Teachers

We farewell two of our Final Year Pre-Service Teachers from Flinders University, Ashleigh Pearce (this week) and Tam Jackson (next week). We have enjoyed having them as part of our learning community and know that they have gained many skills since beginning their time here. We wish them all the best for the remainder of their studies and look forward to them visiting us throughout the year.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

RESOURCE CENTRE News Premier's Reading Challenge

Please encourage your child to finish the challenge as soon as they can. Once challenge forms are completed, children can come to the Library to pick an ocean character which will be displayed with their name and room number on our 'Commotion in the Ocean' board. We would like to see the board covered if we can.

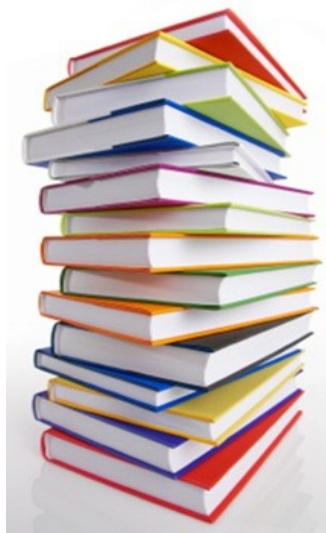
Book Care

Just a reminder to encourage your child to look after the books they have borrowed and ensure that they are not damaged by food/drink or rough handling. If damaged books are popular we have to re-order them, which then means it limits our purchase of new books.

COVID-19

Due to COVID-19, we have been cleaning all books, so we have restricted children's borrowing to 1 book for Reception-Year 3 and 2 books for Years 4-7.

Debbie, Julie & Maz
Resource Centre Staff



SPORT News Winter Season Cancelled

After much discussion Governing Council have made the decision to cancel the Netball, Soccer and Basketball season.

It is hoped that these sports will resume again next year once COVID restrictions have been completely lifted.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal



2020 MATERIALS & SERVICES CHARGES

Thank you to the many families who have paid in full, applied for school card, or organized payment plans for this year's fees. Statements will be sent out to families soon. If you have fees outstanding, please organize payment or a payment plan. Applications for School Card are still available online at: <https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>

Chris Godden
Business Manager

ABSENCES/LATE ARRIVALS

Reminder please that our preferred option for notifications of all absences and late arrivals to school is that they be received by text on 0428 910 895.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal



DIARY DATES: JUNE

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| 5/6 | Canteen Committee Meeting 2pm (Staff Room) |
| 8/6 | QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY |
| 9/6 | PUPIL FREE DAY |
| 16/6 | Finance Committee Meeting 5:30pm (Staff Room) |
| 17/6 | School Photos (Individual); Governing Council Meeting 6:45pm (Hall) |
| 18/6 | School Photos Catch-up |

Of Interest

FUNDRAISING NEWS



Do you have a recipe for lunchbox snacks your kids love ?

One that always gets eaten?

We want that recipe!

We're making a cookbook and want to fill it with recipes from
our school families.

Please send your recipes to

kategeorg@outlook.com

by the 19th of June.

Please included all ingredients and instructions.

A picture of the finished snack would be lovely too

The Fundraising Committee

DYSLEXIA SA: FUN PHONICS

Fact 9: The Letter Q

The letter Q is best remembered as being the Queen of the alphabet. She is so important that she needs a bodyguard with her everywhere she goes. The letter U is her bodyguard and they go everywhere together. When the U is acting as a bodyguard, it is not a vowel. In the words queen, quilt, quiet, etc. the U is not recognised as a vowel, only the other vowels are.



Fact 10: The 'ch' Sound

There are two graphemes that represent the 'ch' phoneme – 'ch' and 'tch'. Use the Catch Lunch Rule to remember – the only time you use 'tch' is right after a short vowel as in 'catch'. Use 'ch' the rest of the time as in 'lunch'. There are 4 exceptions to the rule: such, much, rich and which.

Fact 11: The 'j' Sound at the End of a Word

English words are not allowed to end in the letter J. There are two graphemes that represent the 'j' sound at the end of a word: 'ge' as in huge and 'dge' as in bridge. Use 'ge' if the 'j' sound has a long vowel sound before it, as in 'huge'. Use 'ge' if the 'j' sound has a consonant before it, as in the word 'large'. Use 'dge' if the 'j' sound has a short vowel before it, as in the word bridge – the Huge Large Bridge Rule!