



HUB NEWS

Aberfoyle Hub Primary School Parent and Caregiver Newsletter
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From the Principal by Tas Ktenidis

Material and Service Charges

Every year we review the schools Material and Service charges. These fees cover resources that students need so they can successfully engage with their learning.

Items that Material and service fees cover for examples are writing books, pencils, paper, art items, computers, internet access.

As the cost of living continues to add pressures to family budgets, schools also face the same challenges in offering & covering needed resources for learning in 2023.

The proposal has been to raise fees by five dollars. This money will all go towards class resources as we have seen increases in costs to replace basic items for students.

As part of the process, the community will be polled for the proposed increase we are seeking. The first Governing Council meeting in week 4 will also be opened to the greater community if you wish to come and discuss Material and services with Governing Council.

The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 9th November 2022 at 6:30pm. Further information is provided on page 3 of the Newsletter.

Enrolling for 2023

Planning for 2023 has now begun. As we begin to look at class structures and placement, I would like to remind all families if you have any children requiring enrolment to please do so as soon as possible.

If you are aware of any families that are looking for a new school, please do not hesitate to and recommend them to come and do a school tour. We are planning to keep numbers small in classes with the goal of having 10 classes as we currently do.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the school.

PAT Testing

I have had a few parents ask questions about PAT testing and what we use the data for.

PAT testing is supplied via ACER which can be easily found on the web. The testing allows us to be able to track our children's learning growth annually as we test our students from the early years right through to year 6.

Testing covers key areas such as Maths, Reading, Spelling, Vocabulary, Science and Grammar and Punctuation.

At the Hub we generally concentrate on Maths and Reading. This allows class teachers to track the learning growth of each child, establish what students are capable of, then challenge them at the appropriate level for effective learning.

You can and are welcome to discuss this with your child's teacher, your childs results, and what noted growth is being seen.

Thank you

Tas



SPORTS DAY

Friday 4th November

PUPIL FREE DAY

Monday 14th November

MUSIC SHOWCASE

Tuesday 22nd November 6.00pm

TWILIGHT END OF YEAR CONCERT

Wednesday 30th November 5.30pm

DECEMBER

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

Thursday 15th December

END OF TERM 4

Friday 16th Early dismissal 2.30pm



Absences

The Front Office can be notified of any student absences by phoning 8270 5055 or sending a text to 0428 910 895



From the desk of the Deputy **Principal**

by Sarah Magnusson



Happy World Teacher's Day!

A big thank you to everyone in celebrating the incredible work all our teachers do to give our students the best future possible.

Today we said "hat's off to teacher's" during the assembly by SSO's wearing an array of colourful hats. Thank you to all the SSO's who helped make teacher's feel appreciated with special treats throughout the day.

School Sport

What is the importance of sports in school? It helps in building skills.

Skills like teamwork, leadership, patience, discipline, learning from failure, sportsmanship, are developed only when children play sports regularly, and these skills are equally important when it comes to supporting their learning.

Why are sports important for children? Sports help children develop physical skills, get exercise, make friends, have fun, learn teamwork, learn to play fair, and improve self-esteem.

Out of School Sports

Help Please

For sport to continue next year we require coordinators for all sports Netball, Soccer, Cricket, and Basketball. Responsibilities include attending 2 evening meetings a term at school to organise registered players into teams with coaches, practice days/times, end of year presentation and delivering scheduled matches to coaches Membership fees are waived for your child.

No coordinator for each sport = No sport for students at the Hub.

Please contact the school to register your interest by week 6, Friday 25th November. Any queries please contact Sarah Magnusson



Aberfoyle Hub Primary School, is a Sunsmart school.

SLIP, SLOP, SLAP SEEK AND SLIDE



Term 4 – Slip, Slop, Slap, Seek and Slide at and after school!

As we enter Term 4, the UV Index is creeping higher and higher—remaining at 3 or above later into the day. This means that sun protection is required after school as well as during the school day, which is particularly important for OSHC services across South Australia. Being SunSmart is everyone's responsibility, so look out for your children, students, colleagues, and peers this term by reminding each other to slip, slop, slap, seek and slide.







At a meeting of the Governing Council on 14th Sept 2022, a decision to increase the school's 2023 Materials and Service Charges by \$5 to \$330 was approved by Governing Council.

The charge will be ratified at a Governing Council meeting at 6:30pm Wednesday, November 9th 2022 in the Staff Room.

All Parents/Caregivers of Reception to Year 5 students are invited to attend this Governing Council meeting, to raise any questions or concerns re the proposed fee. Ratification of fees and successful polling of all Parents/Caregivers will allow permission to legally recover (where applicable) the full amount of the Materials and Service Charges 2023 outlined in the notice which was sent to Parents/Caregivers via eldest child (Reception - Year 5) in family before the Governing Council Meeting.

If you are unable to attend but would like to comment on the Materials and Service Charges, you may do so in writing prior to Monday, November 7th 2022 addressed to either the Governing Council Chairperson, Kathy Dowding, or to the Principal, Tas Ktenidis.









Thank you so much for continuously supporting our school, especially through fundraising. In term 4, we are hosting a **Colour Explosion School Fun Run** to raise money for the Middle and Upper years Nature Play area.

Did you know? Students raise 3x times more when they fundraise online! Visit www.australianfundraising.com.au to create your child's cybersafe fundraising profile. Instructions are in your child's sponsorship booklet. You have until 9/11/2022 to fundraise, so make sure you get cracking!

The big day is coming! We are so excited to host our Colour Explosion School Fun Run on 18/11/2022. Parents are invited to attend. On the day, make sure your child brings a white shirt for the Fun Run! They will be covered in non-toxic, high quality colour powder from head to toe! They will also need a water bottle and their hat.

How do prizes work? Help your child fundraise more by setting a prize goal online! Students automatically achieve incentive prizes as they fundraise, starting from \$10. The more they raise, the more prizes they receive. Each prize is ordered automatically, so you don't need to worry about prize ordering! You can see what the inventive prizes are in the sponsorship booklet provided.

Share in \$200,000 worth of extra prize credit! Achieve bigger prizes by helping your child earn bonus credit on their online profile. By creating an avatar, sharing your page with friends and reaching milestone donations, you can share in \$200,000 of extra prize credit!

Monstar Madness. There are heaps of prizes you can win when you fun-raise with Monty! Create your fundraising page in the next 7 days, and you will receive a Holographic Monty Sticker! Check out your sponsorship booklet for more awesome Monty prizes up for grabs, like a Monty Plush toy, a bag tag or a high-bounce handball!

Win a \$10,000 JB Hi-Fi Shopping Spree. Do you think you can top our school's leader board? The highest fundraising student in our school will go into the draw to win a \$10,000 JB Hi-Fi Shopping Spree, including your choice of televisions, laptops, phones, home accessories and more! Start fundraising at www.australianfundraising.com.au for your chance to win.

Fund-Razor of the Year Award. Do you think you can top the national leader board? Australia's highest fundraising student in Australia will win a Razor Prize Pack, worth \$3,000!

Thanks in advance for your support, and happy fundraising!

Kate Videon,

SRC Co-ordinator.

Aberfoyle Hub Primary School





Free home-based assessment and treatment for 7 to 12 year old children with fear and anxiety disorders.

Does your child become very afraid of certain situations or objects, worry about a lot of things, get very distressed, or try to avoid things they fear?

About the study

Our team at Griffith University may be able to assist you. We are conducting a nationwide study that includes the following services at no cost to families:

- A thorough assessment of your child's anxiety with a trained psychologist via the telephone;
- Your child receiving one of two kinds of homebased treatments delivered on a PC, laptop or tablet; and
- Two follow-up telephone assessments with a trained psychologist 6- and 12-months after treatment to track your child's progress.

The study aims to find out if these two treatments are as effective as each other, and which children have the best response to each kind of treatment. This will mean that there are more evidence-based treatments available for helping anxious children.

About the treatments

Each treatment involves your child completing treatment sessions at home on a PC, laptop or tablet.

Each treatment involves your child learning practical strategies to better manage anxiety.

- One treatment helps children learn to control the focus of their attention on helpful things around them.
- The other treatment helps children learn to think differently and approach things they fear.

Each treatment includes information, telephone or email support for parents in assisting their child to better manage anxiety.

Prior studies have shown that children who complete each treatment experience significant reductions in anxiety.

Contact us

This study is being funded by the National Health and Medical Research Council and is led by Professor Allison Waters and a team of experts in childhood anxiety disorders.

For more information about our study and our team, or if you would like your child to participate, please contact us:







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