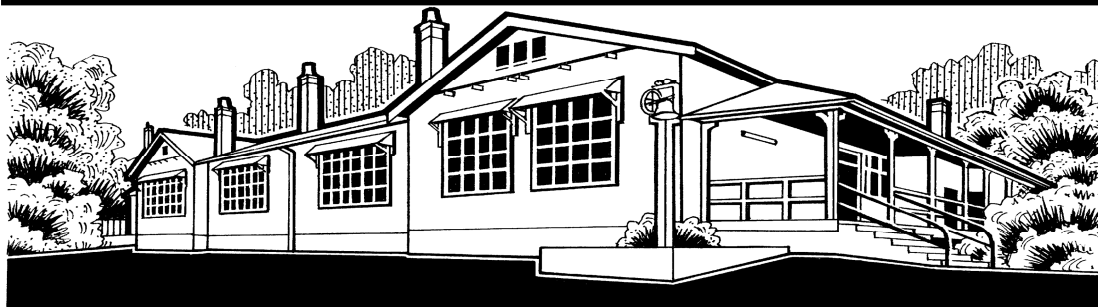


Newsletter—Abermain Public School



Len Boughton
Principal



Term 1 Week 2 - 2 February 2010

Dear Parents

Smooth Start To The Year

2010 is off to a great start with all classes being settled and students keen to learn.

Welcome to Mrs Tara Dybell who has joined our teaching staff.

Classes for the year are as follows:

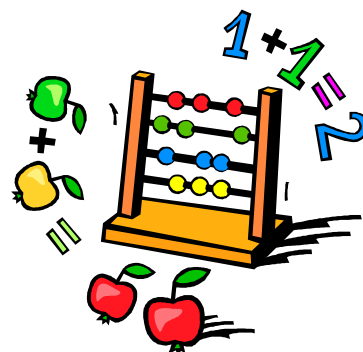
KS	Mrs Sheldon
K-1P	Mrs Parry
1-2H	Mrs Hill & Miss McMaster
1-2T	Mrs Taylor
3-4D	Miss Dunn
3-4T	Mrs Dybell
4-5R	Mrs Roberson
5-6C	Miss Craig
5-6J	Mrs Jarlett

Mrs Hodges is taking on Reading Recovery this year, Ms Leeson continues as Librarian whilst Mrs Bower is our Support Teacher Learning Assistance. Mrs Bower and Mrs Gibbs are overseeing the implementation of two new Literacy programs in the school: Reading to Learn and Multilit.

Maths Texts

Cost for 2010 Maths texts is \$30 and is now due for each student in classes Kindergarten to Year 6.

Any parent unable to pay this due to financial difficulties is asked to contact Mr. Boughton.

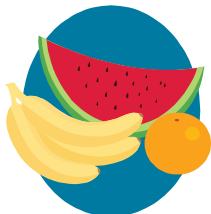


Nut Allergies

We currently have a student attending our school who has a severe nut allergy. In the interests of their safety it is requested that students do not bring food to school that contains nuts (eg peanut butter or Nutella)

Canteen

The school canteen will open on Monday 15th February.



Please contact Tina Hawthorne on 0424040111 if you would like to work in the canteen as a volunteer.

New Web Site

The Abermain Public School website has been redesigned and includes several new features (with more to come). So have a look and check it out regularly for calendar entries and news.

The address is: <http://www.abermain-p.schools.nsw.edu.au>

Cessnock District Primary Choir

An innovation for our local schools is the new district choir. Auditions for this representative choir are being held at Abermain on Wednesday. The choir caters for students in grades 4 to 6.



Road Safety

School Zone parking offences are being enforced by Cessnock City Council rangers and significant fines plus licence demerit points apply.

School Zone Offences	Fine	Demerit Points
Stop on/near Pedestrian Crossing	\$338	2
Stop on/near Children's Crossing	\$338	2
Disobey No Stopping Sign	\$253	2
Stop on/or near Bus Stop	\$253	2
Stop in Bus Zone	\$253	2
Double Park	\$253	2
Stop on/near marked foot crossing	\$338	2
Stop on path/strip in built up area	\$141	2
Stop on/near driveway/other access to/from land	\$141	2

P&C

Our next P&C meeting which includes the AGM will be Monday 8th February at 7pm in the school library.

You're Invited

- Swimming Carnival



The School Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday 12th February at Cessnock Pool. The carnival is for students aged 8 and over. Permission notes will be sent home this week to all students eligible to attend. These need to be returned by next Monday, 8th February so that buses can be booked.

If you are able to assist the staff at the carnival please indicate so on the permission note.

- Parent Teacher Afternoon

This will be held on **Tuesday 9th February**. These sessions are a great opportunity to get to know the class teacher and what is planned for the year.

4.30—5.00 pm	1-2H (Mrs Hill), 1-2T (Mrs Taylor)
5.00—5.30 pm	KS (Mrs Sheldon), K-1P (Mrs Parry) 5-6C (Miss Craig), 5=6J (Mrs Jarlett)
5.30—6.00 pm	3-4T (Mrs Dybell), 3-4D (Miss Dunn) 4-5R (Mrs Roberson)
BBQ OPERATING FROM 5.00—6.00 PM	

Teachers will be sending out to parents statements of routines and what each student needs for classroom equipment. It is very important that every student comes to school prepared with the things they need for their day of learning.

News from the Library (Ms Leeson)

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Welcome to 2010 and a great year of borrowing. All students can borrow this week. Please ensure your child has a waterproof bag with their name on it for borrowing day. The library days are as follows:

Monday	KS, K-1P, 3-4D
Tuesday	1-2T, 3-4T
Wednesday	1-2H, 5-6J
Thursday	5-6C, 4-5R



Book Club will be coming home this week. If you wish to purchase from Scholastic please fill in order form, put correct money in an envelope and hand it in at the front office. If you are paying by cheque, please make cheques payable to Abermain Public School.

Swine Flu Immunisation

NSW Health is encouraging everyone to obtain a free vaccination against this potentially life threatening illness. The Panvax® vaccine is available free from most general practitioners and Aboriginal Medical Services. Some community health centres and council immunisation clinics are also offering the vaccine free of charge. Call ahead to confirm the health service is vaccinating on the day you wish to visit.

Fact sheets are available on the Department's Occupational Health and Safety website at: <https://detwww.det.nsw.edu.au/adminandmanage/ohands/hsi/index.htm>

Abermain OOSH

Quality Out of School Hours Approved Child Care
Permanent or Casual Bookings
Fun Activities—Healthy Snacks Provided
To enrol or book your place please contact:
0417437869 or 0405165086



Shim Jan Taekwondo
Every Monday and Wednesday
5.30 pm to 6.30 pm
At Abermain Public School Hall
All welcome
Contact—Robert Pearson
4930 8010 for more information.