

Newsletter—Abermain Public School



Len Boughton
Principal



Term 3 Week 1 - 21 July 2010

Dear Parents

Welcome to student teachers



4-5R welcomes Mr Will Power

5-6J welcomes Miss Kadi Schroder

Both teachers will spend the whole of Term 3 with us here at Abermain Public School. We are sure they will both enjoy their time in our wonderful school. Mr Power and Miss Schroder are both completing their internship at the end of a four year university degree.

**SCHOOL PHOTOS
will be available
for collection by
parents from the
school office
tomorrow
(Thursday)**

Reading to Learn

As Term 3 begins I would like to take this opportunity to thank Stage 2 and Stage 3 teachers for their dedication to the implementation of Reading to Learn literacy strategies. Teachers have attended 8 days of training each and have completed their accreditation for this program.

Students and staff have enjoyed the challenge and will continue to do so through their engagement during literacy lessons.

So, to Miss Dunn, Mrs Dybell, Mrs Roberson, Mrs Jarlett and Miss Craig, well done and congratulations. And to **ALL** Stage 2 and Stage 3 students also, well done and congratulations on your efforts and results during Semester 1.

Huge thank you to **all** staff for their ongoing support during the implementation of Reading to Learn.

Abermain Public School has been publicly commended on the implementation of this program.

Well done to all!

Mrs Debbie Bower
R2L Co-ordinator



Quality Work shared with Principal

The following students have visited the Principal recently to show their work.

Tanika Stoker

Maddy Stothard

Samuel Davies

Zackary Hughes

Kaitlin Mitchell

Thomas Smidt

Bannica Martin

Brendan Stockdale

Brayden Wilson

Kirstin Dent

Sharna Appleyard

Amitee Cunningham Archibald

Recent PBL Badge Winners

Codi Hall

Shakira O'Keefe

Interrelate School Services

Interrelate will be presenting a special evening program for our students on Wednesday 4th August.



Primary Session 1

- **Where did I come from?**

Suitable for boys and girls in Years 4, 5 & 6

Primary Session 2

- **Preparing for Puberty**

Suitable for boys and girls in Years 5 & 6

Each student eligible to attend will receive more detailed information next week.

Education Week



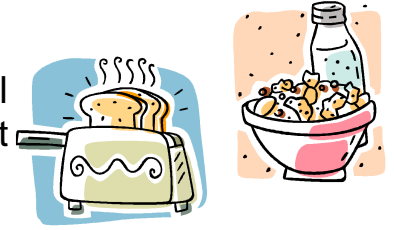
The school will be holding an Open Morning as part of Education Week on Tuesday 3rd August. This will begin with parents visiting classrooms from 9.45am to 10.30am. This will be followed by an Education Week Assembly for students and parents and then parents can stay to have lunch with their children.

School Uniforms

There are a small percentage of students who are coming to school not dressed in their school uniform. The school uniform shows that students value their school and feel a part of our community. I would encourage all parents to monitor this so all students come to school wearing their uniform. Any parents who are having difficulty in purchasing uniforms are encouraged to contact me at the school.

Healthy Eating

Teachers have noticed that students are arriving at school eating lollies as they arrive at school. A healthy breakfast will set students up much better for a great day of learning.



Beyeman Fenton

It was with great sadness that our school heard of the passing away of Beyeman Fenton, one of our former students. The school is in the process of planning something in the school which will allow students to remember Beyeman.

Student Leaders Breakfast

In celebration of Local Government Week 2010, Cessnock City Council is holding a School Leaders' Breakfast at Cessnock Community Performing Arts Centre on Tuesday 3 August 2010. Jade Earl and Rebecca Noone have been nominated to attend on behalf of Abermain Public.

Enrolments for 2011

The school is currently collecting information about new enrolments for 2011. If you know of someone who will be starting at our school in 2011 could you please contact the office. A survey will be sent to all families.



Interactive whiteboard Fundraiser

Each family will receive information this week about a group tea towel project organised to raise funds for an Interactive Whiteboard.

All students in the school will have their picture on the souvenir tea towel. This high quality product is a wonderful memento and meaningful gift for parents, relatives and special friends.

Please support this by sending your orders and money to school by Friday 6th August.

Primary school

Do friendships make learning easier?

Your child's ability to make friends will affect their interest in learning – how can you help?

- Help them to learn self control.
- Show them how well you treat other people, so they can learn from you.
- If you are concerned, speak to your child's teacher about it.

More details at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/news/ezone/yr2010/issue03/index.php

Avoid Danger When Using Heaters This Winter

The Children's Hospital at Westmead recommends these top tips to help your children avoid burns, falls and electrocution:

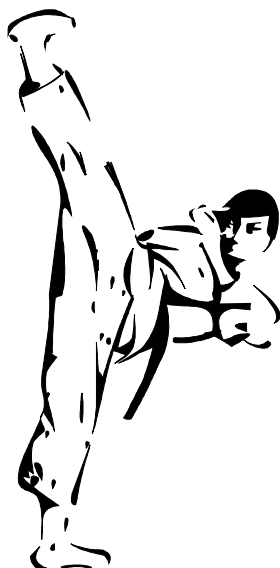
- Make sure your heater meets Australian standards
- Use a guard
- Keep your heater on a level floor surface
- Ensure your heater isn't blocking any exits or high traffic areas
- Do not dry clothing items by placing them over an electric heater.
- Ensure you install and maintain at least one smoke detector in your home.

More information at www.chw.edu.au/parents/kidshealth/safety_factsheets/pdf/heaters_and_fireplaces.pdf

COMMUNITY NEWS

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 Jang 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.