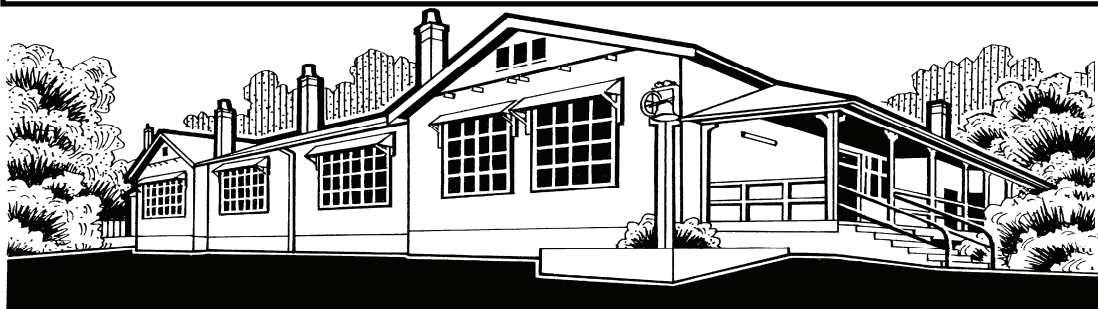


Newsletter—Abermain Public School



Len Boughton
Principal



TERM 4, WEEK 2—18th October, 2012

MATHS RESULTS

Several students participated in the University of NSW Mathematics competition this year. All students performed well, however special mention must go to Grace Franklin-Shambler and Joshua Roberson from Year 3. Joshua gained a Distinction and Grace a High Distinction making these results the best Abermain has achieved in its long involvement in the competition.

Another school success story this week has been our Stage 3 Maths and Science Challenge team who won the event which was held at Cessnock High. The team members at the event were *Jeremy Noone, Samuel Welch, Taine Love and Hayden Schwager*. This is the second year in a row that Abermain has won the competition.

P&C MEETING

The next P&C Meeting will be on Tuesday 23rd October at 6pm in the School Library. All parents and carers are invited.

COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER

We have had some enquiries about the Christmas cake mix and shortbread biscuit mix which is only available in 4th Term. We had a great response to our first Cookie Dough Fundraiser so we will be running a second one. Order forms will be handed out next week. Thank you to everyone who has been supporting our fundraisers for the school.



STARTING KINDY

Do you have a child starting Kindergarten in 2013? Show them this video which explains what happens during a typical day:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/what-happens-in-kindergarten>

Kinder orientation at Abermain starts on **Thursday 1st of November**.

SWIMMING FOR SURVIVAL

Help keep your child safe this summer at Swim and Survive programs for all levels. The programs – taught by experienced, AUSTSWIM-qualified instructors – run November to February throughout NSW. <http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive/>



INTENSIVE SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME

Students who have not reached a satisfactory standard of water safety and survival skills and are unable to swim 25m confidently unaided in deep water, are eligible to participate in the School Swimming Scheme to be held for 10 consecutive days during this term. If you would like your child to attend or want more information please contact Mrs Hourigan or the front office by **Monday 22nd October**.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Quality Work shared with Principal

Billy Reading	Will Stothard	Kataina Hodges
Tynan Finnerty	Jeremy Noone	Jackson Mitchell
Reece Leslie	Laura Fogg	Chelsea Wilson
Cheyenne Bushell	Joel Lucas	Ben Innes
Mikayla Haynes	Rohan Pearson	Emmie Stothard
Beau Robson	Link Bushell	Zac Humphries
Katheryne Wigley	Bannica Martin	Kiara Peachman
Emily Robson	Janaya Lake	Kirsten Dent
Logan Southeron	Tyrone Ward	Andrew Passfield
Megan Coulson	Jayda Gillis	Samantha Appleyard
Ebonie Fernance	Amity Rockley	Amitee Cunningham
Breanna Bunn	Georgia Betts	Tanika Stoker
Emma Davies	Damon Besoff	Byron Whyburn
John Barry	Hayden Nickerson	Ebony Flannery
Ellie Mitchell	Scott Barry	Lochie Netterfield
Luke Robson	Riley Fernance	Jazlyn Leigh
Ethan Peters	Shay Wilson	Mitchell Parker
Siara Nash	Miah Sneddon-Clarke	



PBL LUCKY DRAW WINNERS

Term 4	Week 1	Infants	-	Jack Perry
		Primary	-	Shelby Hancock
	Week 2	Infants	-	Lachlan Gilbert
		Primary	-	Cheyenne Bushell

VISITING AUTHOR

Author James Roy will be speaking with Primary Students next week on Wednesday 24th October. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to meet and hear a published author talk about his experiences. James writes for young adults and children and has been nominated for various awards and has won many of these. For more information about James Roy visit his website at www.jamesroy.com.au.

This visit is free for students thanks to Kurri Kurri Public Library. James Roy's books will be available for sale on the day and he will autograph purchases. For a price list of books see Miss Craig.

COMPUTER

Thank you to all the support for the Raffle raising funds for the computer lab. The lucky winner of the laptop was Rebecca Young. Please continue to support future fundraising that will benefit our students.



MOVING INTO HIGH SCHOOL

Starting high school means a new location, new friends and teachers, and new routines. In this video teachers talk about how you can help to make your child's move into high school less daunting.

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/starting-year-7>

SELECTIVE SCHOOLS

Are you already thinking about your child's Year 7 placement in a selective school in 2014? Online application and information regarding the process will be available from **Tuesday 16 October 2012**.

<http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/learning/k-6assessments/shsplacement/index.php>

SICK CHILDREN

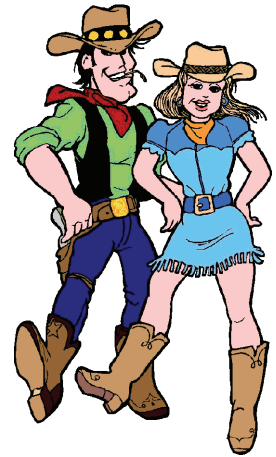
Recently we have had a number of students presenting at the office complaining of feeling sick. To help prevent illnesses circulating throughout the school we would like to ask parents to keep their children at home if they present with signs of being unwell before school.

We also ask that you keep your child home for at least 24 hours AFTER the last bout of vomiting or diarrhoea. We do not have the facilities to care for sick children, and parents will be contacted to collect children should they present at the office unwell.

BUSH DANCE

Millfield Public School will be holding a Bush Dance on Saturday 20th October between 6-9pm. The dance will be held on school grounds at Wollombi Road, Millfield and will also include free jumping castle, live band, raffle and food and drinks. Strictly NO alcohol.

Entry Cost - Adults \$10
Children (U16) \$5
Families (2A + 2C) \$20
Children Under 5 free.



Abermain OOSH

Abermain OOSH offers After School Care every day Monday to Friday in the grounds of Abermain Public School.

The OOSH is open from 3.15 to 6.00 pm.

We accept both permanent and casual enrolments.

The children are served a healthy afternoon tea and are offered a variety of activities.

For bookings or additional information please contact Kathy on **0417 437 869**.