# Newsletter—Abermain Public School



Len Boughton Principal



**TERM 2** Week 5 - 27th May 2013

## **Staff News**

I will be taking long service leave from next week and will return to Abermain in Week 5 of Term 3. During my absence Mrs Bower will be Relieving Principal. Mrs Jackson will also be taking long service leave next week with Mrs Morgan replacing her.

## **Athletics Carnival**

We managed to beat the weather and finish most events on Wednesday. The only events to be finalised are the age championships and these will be judged from the times taken in other races. Thanks to Mrs Hodges for her organisation.

## **School Council**

The Abermain Public School Council has been re-established following interest from staff and P&C members. It will meet once a term. Parent representatives on the School Council are: Debbie Davis, Melissa Brown and Katrine Reading.

# **PSSA Sport**

Both Girls & Boys football set down for today has been rescheduled for Thursday because the council has closed the sporting fields due to the recent wet weather. We wish both teams well when they compete.

2013 was very successful for our cricket team. The squad was formed in Term 4 last year and has trained regularly to develop their skills, which led to qualification for round 3 of the NSW PSSA Boys Cricket Knockout competition following some impressive victories in rounds 1 and 2. The team faced Nulkaba in round 3 and despite an excellent display in the field were unable to chase the 84 runs required for victory. Advancing to round 3 was a fantastic result and the furthest the staff could recall the school advancing through the competition. The boys are to be congratulated for their dedication and hard work, and have been commended for their sportsmanship. The cricket squad for 2013 included Bailey Vanlaarhoven, Cameron Phillips, Daniel Robinson, Jackson Mitchell, Jed Hawthorne, Jeremy Hancock, Joel Lucas, Joshua Chapman, Joshua Robertson, Keiran Bunn, Noah Page, Rohan Pearson, Tom Reading and Wayne Harris.

## **Student Representative Council**

A big welcome to our new members for Semester 1, 2013

Sharntel Hughes Emma Davies Kyle Jehu
Jessica Franklin-Shambler Zack Hughes Ethan Hodgins
Hope Taylor Samual Davies Taylah Russell
Joel Lucas Emily Robson Deacon Fellowes

Lara Robertson Kade Stothard

After only one meeting, I know the new members are going to work in a respectful way. Mrs Dianne Parry, Teacher in charge

# **Colds and influenza**

Simple precautions that prevent the catching and spreading of infection include:

- Washing your hands after contact with soiled tissues or any contact with nose or throat discharge.
- Covering your mouth if you cough.
- If students are sick, have them stay at home.



## **Star Struck**



Rehearsals are under way, with a major rehearsal set down for this coming Friday. A full dress rehearsal will be held on Thursday 13th June followed by performances on Friday 14th June and Saturday 15th June.

## **News from Stage 1 Teachers -**

Stage 1 have been working hard in literacy looking at explanations. All classes have started to examine the wondrous water cycle and its four stages.

On Tuesdays 1-2T and 1-2E are lucky enough to have the opportunity to participate in a new education progam focusing on keeping healthy and happy. At this point our lovely visitors have taught us about hygiene and keeping ourselves clean from nasty germs and how to keep our teeth clean and healthy. I know that a lot of our students are remembering to swish, swash, swallow after their meals and you may have heard them say or do this at home.

Stage 1 also had a wonderful time at last week's athletics carnival, joining in the races and other athletic activities. Well done Stage 1, keep up the good work.

#### Miss Onslow, Mrs Taylor and Mrs Hodges

# CONGRATULATIONS! Quality Work shared with Principal

Jayda Gillis Darrian Burley Jade Perry Roman Wilson Kaysha Smith Andrew Passfield Jaxon Kidd-Collins Jaylen Burrell Lucas Whyburn Cody Bushell Ryen Smurthwaite Samual Davies

Miah Snedden-Clark Lara Wilson **Emily Sykes** Kelvin Arnott Krystal Dent Jak Woodbury Kirstin Dent Jacob Woodbury Sean Peachman Jayden Snedden-Clark Aiden Spence Callum Ford

Shanaya Burrell **Amity Rockley** Jayden Green Tahlee Roderick Mitchell Parker Joseph Reading Harrison Barnett Naomi Jehu Noah Blair **Dustin Barnett** 

## PBL LUCKY DRAW WINNERS 2013



Term 1 Week 10 Infants Haylie Chapman

> Primary -Mikayla Haynes

Term 2 Week 2 Infants -Tyarah Follan

> Primary -Taylah Russell

Week 3 Primary -Zac Campton

> Primary -Tiffani Musgrave

Week 4 Infants Megan Coulson

Infants **Emily-Cate Allaway** 

# Weekly scheduling

Learning how to make time for homework, study, chores, part-time jobs and so on is a vital skill for all kids, but it's one that we need to teach them by example. It's just a Word document, but you can now create your own weekly schedules to whip your family into shape.

http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-Find out more: tips/weekly-schedule-template

# Making school easier

Teacher and mum **Katherine Bricknell** has already helped several of her kids navigate primary, high school and tertiary education, and has some great, practical advice for other parents.

Find out more: <a href="http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/tips-to-make-high-school-easier">http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/tips-to-make-high-school-easier</a>

## **Music Tuition**

Interested in learning the drums?

Cost \$10 - 1/2 hour lesson. Beginners most welcome.

For more details please phone Harry Stewart 0428431050



Any student who is 11 or 12 years old and is interested in learning the violin please phone Kim on 49371771.

## The sum of us

Be honest: are you a bit afraid of maths? And are you passing that on to your kids? Maths and science guru Adam Spencer suggests a better approach. (No time to listen to the podcast? The read our at-a-glance summary)

Find out more: <a href="http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/mathematics/">http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/mathematics/</a> mathematics-tips/the-sum-of-us

# Canteen News

The school canteen is now open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

Contact numbers for volunteer workers are -

Cassandra Daniels - 0488 110 129

or

Cathy Berry—0439 635 011