10 NEWSLETTER

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TERM 3

18th September, 2013

SAFE RESPECTFUL LEARNERS

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

20th SeptemberLast day of school

8th October

Term 4 - students return to school

11th October

Disco:

Abermain Bowling Club

14th October

P&C Meeting

31st October

Kindergarten Orientation

7th November

Kindergarten Orientation

14th November

Kindergarten Orientation

21st November

Kindergarten Orientation

PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION





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Oakvale Farm
2014 Kindergarten

Enrolments

Thank you to everyone who made Abermain Public School's first ever Public Speaking Competition such a great success! The judges, teaching staff and audience members were all amazed and impressed at the high standard of speeches delivered at the Finals. Year 6 finalists were able to demonstrate the additional polish that an extra year's experience was able to add to the quality of their speeches with only three points separating first and fourth place.

Our congratulations goes out to all finalists, who were presented with certificates of achievement on the day. The winners from each Year Grade will receive their trophies at Presentation Day in November. Next year we hope to see even more community members coming along to support this entertaining event.

Mrs Roberson Teacher





Term 3 Week 9

Infants - Ivy Bowtell Primary- Kaitlyn Mitchell

Week 10

Infants - Shae Smith Primary- Mikayla Haynes

PBL PAWS BADGES

Congratulations to the following students:-

Monique Fisher
Kirstin Dent
Allira Rockley
Ryan Bennett
Cameron Bate
Lydia Besoff
Ivy Bowtell
Claire Chedzey
Isaac lake
Hayden Vanderdrift
Finlay Page
Cooper Darcey

CANBERRA EXCURSION



Last week Year 5 and Year 6 students enjoyed an exciting trip to Canberra to support their study of Australian history, government and making informed decisions. Students discovered Australia's role in space exploration, observed artefacts at the National Museum, undertook research of Australia's democracy at Old Parliament House and enjoyed a tour of Parliament House, including a visit to the House of Representatives and the Senate.

The students explored scientific displays at Questacon, learnt about what it takes to become a professional athlete at the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) and appreciated the history and sacrifice of Australia's military at the Australian War Memorial.

The Year 5/6 teachers would like to extend a huge thank you to Kathy Meredith, Linda Russell, Tim Bunn and Neil Musgrave for their time and efforts around the clock over the three days to ensure the excursion was a great success.

Mrs Roberson, Mr Power & Mrs Bower Year 5/6 Teachers

REGIONAL SPELLING BEE

At the end of Term 3, four students will be representing our school at the Regional Spelling Bee Finals. We would like to wish the following students the best of luck at this event:

Grace Frankland-Shambler, Lauren McGowan-Crook, Tom Reading and Joshua Robertson

Mrs Parry Teacher

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SRC)

We would like to congratulate and welcome the following students who have been elected as new members of the Student Representative Council (SRC) - Miah Gay, Luke Robson, Madison Hall, Olivia Reading, Travis Haynes, Tori Hendrix, Hayden Fullerton, Breanna Bunn, Joshua Robertson, Delani Leigh, Jed Hawthorne, Bailey Van laarhoven, Jack Richards and Tom Reading

Mrs Parry Teacher

STOP WALK TALK

Our students are to be congratulated on their ability to use Stop, Walk, Talk strategies in our playground.

Keep up the great work!

REMINDER

NO PETS
ALLOWED
ON
SCHOOL
GROUNDS

ROCK & WATER

Congratulations and thank you to the Year 5 and Year 6 students who participated in Rock and Water for term 3. Students completed cooperative and reflective activities to help develop resilience, confidence and leadership.

Invitations for participation in Rock and Water for term 4 will be provided to students this week. It is asked that students return their permission note as soon as possible.

Mr Power

Teacher

PSSA CRICKET

Term 4 will see the beginning of the summer cricket season. Dedicated boys currently in Year 3, 4 and 5 should consider whether they will elect to participate in cricket training sessions for term 4 in order to be selected in the 2014 school representative team. Students will be asked to join the group early in term 4 and are expected to display dedication to developing their skills and sportsmanship.

Mr Power Teacher

ADDIDAS FUN RUN

Last Friday all students participated in the Addidas Fun Run to raise much needed funds for our school. Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students were the first to participate running and walking a minimum of 3 laps around the fields. All students then enjoyed a BBQ picnic lunch with their families. After lunch it was time for students from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 to run. Year 3 and Year 4 were required to do a minimum of 5 laps and Year 5 and Year 6 were to do a minimum of 7 laps. Nearly all students showed their athletic ability by running and walking many more laps than expected. This was a fantastic way of getting students active whilst raising money for our school. Students wore black and white clothing and had thunder sticks and clappers to help to create a positive atmosphere for the day.

I would like to thank all students and their families for supporting this event. I would also like thank the parents who cooked the BBQ and served in the canteen to ensure our hungry students were fed. Without them lunch would not have ran so smoothly. Finally I would also like to acknowledge Coles at Kurri Kurri for their donation towards our BBQ.

Teacher



Safe, Respectful Learners

Quality Work Shared with the Principal

Lucas Whyburn Madison Hall Ivy Bowtell Megan Coulson Emily Cate Allaway Caiden Fenwick Kirstin Dent Daniel Southeron Ryan Bennett Kyle Brice Míah Gay Roman Wilson Cooper Darcy Allira Rockley Rai Berry Tahlee Roderick Sean Templeton Zac Hughes Lachlan Gilbert Bethany Bushell Jackson Davis Samuel Davies Mikayla Rumney Brodie Moncrieff Ebony Flannery Blake Smurthwaite Ryan Lewis Roman Wilson Kaitlin Philip-Dent Sean Peachman Heath Southeron Zealan Love Shae Smith Finlay Page Nate Cunningham Emma Corcoran Amarlí Wanasinghagee Jayden Sneddon-Clarke

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Anyone who has a quick glance through our Abermain Public School Newsletter can see that this school has exciting things happening and is a great place to learn. As Principal there have been a couple of things that stood out in particular during the latter part of Term 3. One was the Public Speaking Competition. It was fantastic to have a Kinder to Year 6 competition and the standard in the finals was extremely high. It was a very difficult task as a judge to decide on the winner in every section. Another feature has been the standard of written work produced by students.

Every day I have students come to my door with quality work that their teacher wants them to share. I can truly say that the standard of this work (again from Kinder to Year 6) continues to improve.

Parents of Year 3 and Year 5 students will be interested to know that NAPLAN results will be sent home early in Term 4.

After the holidays school resumes for all students on Tuesday 8th October. I'd like to wish all students and their families a safe and relaxed break and we are looking forward to Term 4 being another dynamic term of learning at Abermain.

Mr Boughton Principal CANTEEN

OPEN Monday ONLY

More volunteers
needed urgently to be
able to open the
canteen on other
days. Please contact
the office if you, or
someone you know
can help in the
canteen.

CANTEEN WILL

NOT BE OPEN

DURING FIRST

WEEK OF TERM 4

UNIFORM SHOP

OPEN
MONDAY &
FRIDAY

KINDERGARTEN VISIT OAKVALE FARM

On 29th August, KS and KP went on an excursion to Oakvale farm. The weather was perfect and there was lots to see and do. The children enjoyed learning about farm animals and Australian native animals.

Highlights included seeing baby koalas and kangaroos, milking a cow, looking at snakes and lizards, patting and feeding baby farm animals, and the tractor ride.

We would like to thank the wonderful group of parent helpers who supervised small groups of children. Your support helped the day run smoothly and was much appreciated.

Below are some recounts from the students:

We went to Oakvale Farm on the bus. Some of the goats had goaties. by Rory

I went on a tractor ride. Some of the ducks chased us. by Tyler

On Thursday we went to Oakvale farm. We had a ride on a tractor. We patted sheep and a horse. by Kaysha

On Thursday I saw a peacock open it's wings and it was beautiful. We fed the kangaroos and patted a lizard. Then we fed the goats. by Zealan

I went to the farm and I saw a cow. by Keira

On Thursday KP went to Oakvale Farm. First we went on the bus. Then we went to feed the animals. by Mitchell

On Thursday KP went to Oakvale Farm. First I went on the bus. Then I fed the kid. I had a good day. by Amarli











LIBRARY NEWS

Well as the term comes to end it is important to return any books that you have on loan back to the library. It is easy to misplace books or mix them up with your own books, so I encourage everyone to have a look in their tote trays at school and at home look in your book cases and bedrooms for any books that have the barcode and spine label on the back identifying it as one of the schools books.

Next term borrowing will begin in Week 1 and end in Week 8. Borrowing limits for kinder will raise to 3 books a week and in the remaining years students may borrow 1 book without a bag for classroom reading or if the have a library bag they can borrow up to 4 books. I encourage all students to have a library bag as it helps protect our valuable resources so many more students can enjoy them. Library bags are available for sale in the library for \$2.

If any parents would like to borrow from our collection please feel free to drop into the library so I can arrange borrowing rights for you. I wish everyone a safe holiday and happy reading.

Miss Craig Teacher Librarian

USEFUL "APPs"

Puppet pals free or Directors Pass \$2.99

This app is fantastic fun for everyone. This app allows you to create your own unique story animation with audio. The free version has limited characters and backgrounds available, while the directors pass has numerous characters and settings to use and is well worth the investment. This app is great for developing story ideas and allows every age and ability to have success. Hours of fun will be had with this amazing app.

2014 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

We are now taking registrations for Kindergarten students who will start school in 2014. Any families who have a child starting Kindergarten in 2014 are asked to contact the School Office on 4930 4210, or come to the office during school hours to register their child for Kindergarten 2014.

A letter detailing Kindergarten Orientation details will be sent home to all registered families at the end of Term 3. Parents will need to ensure they have returned the enrolment form and their child's birth certificate, immunisation certificate and proof of address before Kindergarten Orientation.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Each week, our school website is updated with the weekly newsletter, permission notes, information notes, and class arrangement notices. There is a link to our newsletter on the front page of the website.

The website address is www.abermain-p.school.det.nsw.edu.au.

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Breakfast from 8.45am – 9.00 Toast with: Vegemite or Jam	Drinks, Deserts & Ice Blocks Drinks © 200ml Plain milk \$1.00 ❖ Flavoured Milk 250ml \$1.40 ❖ Playfruit Water 350ml \$2.00 ⓒ Water 600ml \$1.00 ❖ Poppers \$1.00 ❖ Slushies \$2.00
Sandwiches & Rolls Sandwiches (white or wholemeal) © Vegemite	Ice Blocks \$Jelly Sticks
Hot Food, Pies & Sausage Rolls Hot Food Large Pie (Lite)	© Food items with this symbol are "GREEN" foods & are highly recommended Currently the Canteen is open only on Monday 8:45AM-9:15AM FOR LUNCH ORDERS ONLY OPEN DURING LUNCH 11:30AM-12:00PM

OPENING HOURS - TERM 4

The school canteen will <u>NOT</u> be open during the first week of Term 4.

The canteen will re-open on Monday 14th October, 2013 and will only be available on Mondays until further notice.

❖Pizza – Meat Lovers......\$2.20❖Chicken Dino Nuggets (each) ... \$0.40

❖Chicken Wedges (each)...... \$0.55

❖Chicken Pattie (only) Burger.....\$2.40

©Spaghetti Bolognese \$3.00

©Fruit Salad Tubs......\$1.30 ©Fresh piece of fruit (seasonal)...\$0.80

with Lettuce & Mayo\$2.80 ©Lasagne.....\$3.00

❖Chicken Pattie Burger

Fruit & Fruit Salad



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