

## SAFE, RESPECTFUL LEARNERS

### DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

28th October  
"Day for Daniel"

31st October  
Assembly—2.30pm

3rd November  
ES1 Oakvale Excursion

4th November  
Kinder Orientation begins

11th November  
Sports Presentation  
Kinder Orientation  
Remembrance Day

14th November  
Assembly—2.30pm

18th November  
Kinder Orientation

21st November to 2nd  
December  
Intensive Swimming Program

25th November  
Kinder Orientation

7th December  
Presentation Day

12th December  
Carols by Candlelight

14th December  
Assembly—2.30pm  
Year 6 Farewell

## This issue:

"Day for Daniel"

"The Lion King Jnr" Performance

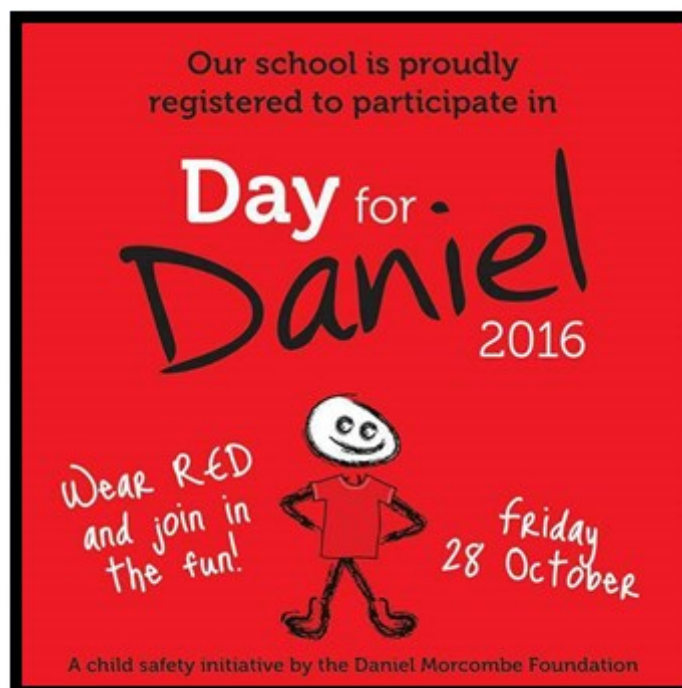
Billy Cart Derby Day

ES1 Musical Performance

ES1 Writing Samples

Uniform colours for notes

In support of "Day for Daniel" students are  
asked to wear something red to school on  
**Friday 28th October, 2016**





## PRINCIPALS REPORT

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Billy Cart Derby on Tuesday. It was great to see all the smiles, hear the laughter and see the fun and excitement that was happening on the handball courts. A top effort to all the teachers and parents/carers who made this day a success.

It was wonderful to be able to hand out so many PAWS badges last week at the assembly. I encourage all students to focus on completing their individual contracts so that we can have as many people reach the PAWS level as possible by the end of the year. Keep up the good work!

I would like to remind all students and parents/carers that our school is a “NO Hat NO Play” school. Students are required to wear a school hat out in the playground. If they do not wear a school hat they will be asked to play under the covered area. Year 6 students are also reminded that the “Year 6 shirt” is to be worn on Monday, and the sport shirt worn on Friday for all students.

For the safety of all our children I would like to remind parents/carers that smoking within 10 metres of the school gates is not acceptable and I ask that people smoking to move well clear of school property. Smoking with children in the car is also an offence. So please help us maintain a smoke free environment for our children.

It's great to see support for the “Got It” and “Fun Friends” program that have commenced at our school this term. These programs are an early intervention and prevention through the school system which will help children cope with worries and stress. Thank you for the support.

Ian Lamph

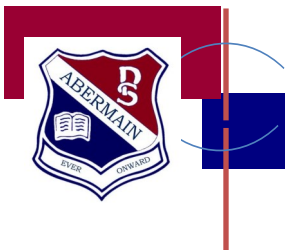
### PBL BADGE RECIPIENTS

**Billy R**  
**Jorja L**  
**Travis H**  
**Lily W**  
**Jase F**  
**Isabella R**  
**Matilda B**  
**Keali H**  
**Cooper H**  
**Oliver T**  
**Olivia R**  
**Justin H**



### QUALITY WORK SHARED WITH THE PRINCIPAL

**Olivia J**  
**Ashleigh K**  
**Jaimee L**



## **LIBRARY**

All students have settled back into the library well in Term 4 and have some great projects on the go that will certainly entertain and educate them, as well as others.

Most classes will be utilising some form of technology during this term, with computers and iPads being used to enhance student learning and delivery of content. Some fantastic creations have already been witnessed, and it will be great to see what the next weeks have in store.

Borrowing will continue this term until Week 7, where all books will need to be returned. Overdue notices will start being sent home in Week 5 to ensure all books are returned before the end of the year. If your child receives an overdue notice and you believe the book to have been returned please come and speak Miss Craig, as with the new operating system there have been a few errors, or books have simply been returned onto shelves without first being scanned.

There will be one more opportunity for Book Club this term, with orders due Week 7 (it is usually Week 8, but being so close to the end of the year, we would like all ordered books out to students as soon as possible). Book Club can be a great way to buy presents for family and friends for Christmas, so if you have ordered a gift, please let us know so it doesn't get given to students by mistake and ruin the surprise.

## **THE LION KING JUNIOR**

Last Wednesday, October 19th, 54 very excited students, along with 3 equally excited staff members, had a wonderful day visiting the Hunter School of the Performing Arts to watch their primary school production of Disney's "Lion King Junior". We were all amazed by the talent of these young students, the costumes and the incredible sets. The Subway lunch was just an added bonus after the show. Some students were already asking what production the school will stage next and working out if they will still be at Abermain in two years time so they can go along to see that show as well! As always, Abermain students excelled themselves with their behaviour and we were very proud to accompany them.

**SCHOOL**

**ASSEMBLY**

**Monday 31st October, 2016**

**School Hall—2.30pm**

**All welcome to attend**



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Whoosh! Pow! These billy carts are so fast and so much fun!

The races were timed on the fastest team. Sadly I did not win but that's ok because it was a lot of fun. The only thing that matters is that I had fun, and trust me I really did!

My partner, Emmerson, wasn't there so I raced with Noah. Our time recorded was 20 seconds. The winners were Traie and Jackson from 2G.

Sue from Bunnings came to watch us race since she helped us build the billy carts. We thought it would be nice if she could come. It was super exciting.

Stage 1 were the only classes racing because Stage 1 teachers were able to plan this special day around our Science and Technology unit from last term.

Felicity E 1/2J

*And the  
Winners are...*



***JACKSON AND TRAI E F.  
HAD THE FASTEST TIME  
OF THE DAY WITH 13.26  
SECONDS***

***CONGRATULATIONS!!***

Yesterday at Abermain Public School we had a race with the billy carts that Bunnings Cessnock helped us build.

The derby was after lunch and dad came. It was on the handball courts.

First I watched and then there was my race. We pushed the billy cart and we drove it.

Then we made it to the finals. I had fun. I came first with Jackson. We got a real medal each.

I also won a billy cart in the raffle.

Traie F





**Reviews taken by; Cooper S, Jorja F and Onyx K**

***Students were asked how they felt about being part of the Billy Cart Derby day***

"It's a good time with a good crowd" said Koby

"Having fun and great" said Brock

"It's good" said Max and Baylee

"It's been great" said Ruby

"It's great" said Chloe

"Loved it when the crowd cheered" said Mykah

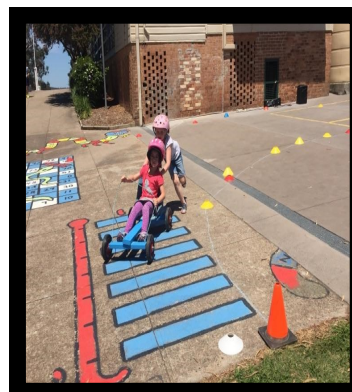
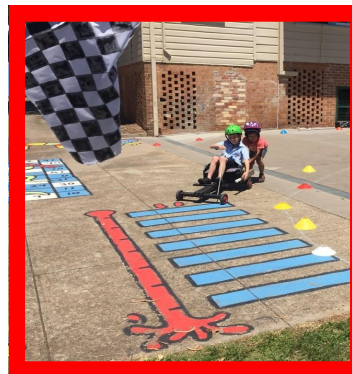
"Excellent" said Jackson

"It's been amazing" said Traie

"Good" said Laura

"Great" said Ivy

"Loved pushing the billy carts" said Joel



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## ES1 MUSICAL PERFORMANCE

Early Stage One have been having music lessons with Mrs Taylor. They have been working hard to learn several percussion pieces which they then performed for their parents/carers and other family members. The children have learnt skills such as keeping the beat, following music and the correct handling of instruments. It has been a joy to see the enthusiasm and excitement from the children during these sessions.



## ES1 WRITING SAMPLES

Guess who have been busy writing?

Kindergarten students have been writing about animals. Students worked hard to write down clues for a mystery animal. Can you guess which animal they are writing about?

***I am big and you can ride me. I have hooves and a swishy tail. I walk around my paddock, neigh! I eat grass and carrots? - by Olivia J***

***I have big ears. I have a big mouth. I stink and eat carrots. My tail is hairy. I have big eyes. I am smaller than a horse? - by Ana S***

***I round up sheep and I bark? - by Christopher M***

***I eat grass and gallop around. I let people ride on my back. I have four legs? - by Marcus M***





## Cessnock, Schools as Community Centre TERM 4, 2016



**PLAYWORKS** - Mondays

Koe-Nara, 10 am to 12

**LET'S PLAY** - Tuesdays

Koe-Nara, 10 am to 12



**Stories at Bunnings**

with Family Insight & Koe-nara

Wednesday 26th October

Wednesday 23rd November

10.30 am Morning Tea snack for

children provided



**PLAYWORKS** - Thursdays

Cessnock East Public School,

9am to 11am

For more information:

☎ 4990 9354 or  
0428 263 854

👍 Koe-Nara, Cessnock  
Schools as Communi-  
ty Centre

**BABIES** - Thursdays

Koe-Nara, 12.30pm to 2pm

Playgroup operates in school term only

All groups are free

Morning tea for the children is provided,  
as well as tea & coffee for grown ups

## Good for Kids good for life

### HEALTHY LUNCHBOX INSPIRATION

When packing lunch boxes it's easy to fall into a routine. It can be difficult to think of new, interesting and healthy options to include. Why not try some of the following healthy ideas in your child's lunchbox?

- Pita pockets with tuna/corn/mayo mix
- Sushi rolls
- Rice cakes with low fat cheese and tomato
- Savoury muffins packed with vegetables
- Vegetable fried rice
- Mini pizzas from dinner leftovers
- Triple decker sandwich fingers
- Cheesy tomato vegetable pasta



For more healthy lunchbox ideas visit the 'Packing Healthy Lunchboxes' section of the Good for Kids website:

[www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au](http://www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au)



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Local Health District

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## UNIFORM COLOURS FOR NOTES



PERMISSION NOTES TO BE RETURNED



INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/CARERS



MEDICAL/HEADLICE ALERTS



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SCHOOL CANTEEN



# SAFE, RESPECTFUL LEARNERS

## SCHOOL APP

The school app is available to the whole community

To download the school app visit the Apple App store or Google Play store  
and search for Abermain Public School.

Log in using - Username: community Password: abermainps

### *Useful Apps*

#### *Chatter Pix – Free*

This is a fun app that is super easy to use. You are able to draw an image and take a photo, or simply take a photo and then you draw a line for a mouth and record a message. Students have been using this in library and have absolutely loved it. So much fun to be had and be creative with.

#### *I can count Money - \$1.99*

This is an Australian based money app that allows students to pay for goods and determine change from money paid. A great app for students to understand coin names and have an understanding of money and the different combinations of coins that can make amounts.