

SAFE, RESPECTFUL LEARNERS

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

11th November
Sports Presentation
Kinder Orientation
Remembrance Day

14th November
Assembly—2.30pm

15th November
Stage 3 Astronomy Night

18th November
Kinder Orientation

21st November to 2nd
December
Intensive Swimming Program

23rd November
School Leaders' Lunch

25th November
Kinder Orientation

7th December
Presentation Day

12th December
Carols by Candlelight
Assembly—2.30pm

14th December
Year 6 Farewell

16th December
Last day of school

This issue:

"Day for Daniel"

Colour Run Fundraising

ES1 Oakvale Excursion

2018 Selective High School Placement

Barkuma Community Christmas Appeal

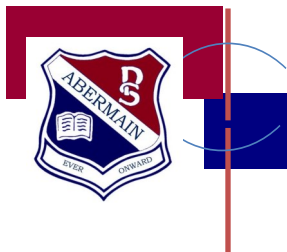
Belltrees School Horse Sports

Tea Towel Fundraiser

TEACHERS AND STAFF ARE AMAZING BECAUSE.....

Students have made an appreciation wall for
all staff at Abermain Public School.





PRINCIPALS REPORT

Congratulations to Mrs Roberson who has been appointed as a permanent Assistant Principal to our staff following a merit selection process. Mrs Roberson is very excited that she will be able to continue her role within the school and support our students, staff and community to grow and develop.

Nick Turkington has been successful in being selected for the Weston Bears football squad. Congratulations Nick on this great achievement.

Tomorrow is another busy day on the school calendar where we host our annual Sports Presentation at 9:30am in the hall. This is a wonderful morning where we celebrate the great achievements by our students across the various sporting arenas. This will be followed by our Remembrance Day service at 11:00 am on the DOTS area. All parents/carers and friends are welcome to attend.

The Intensive Swimming program starts in two weeks. This is a great program that is offered to all Year Two students, and any other students in Years Three—Six who are not confident swimmers. It provides an opportunity to have a qualified swim instructor work with the students during the two weeks. The P&C have kindly assisted with the cost of transport to the pool each day. Therefore, parents/carers have to pay for the entry to the pool. This program has saved many lives and I encourage parents/carers to make enquires at the office ASAP to attend as we have limited spaces available in this program.

I would like to remind all parents/carers it is my role as Principal to ensure a safe working environment for all students and staff of this school. The school does have procedures in place to ensure that your concerns and/or issues can be addressed under the Complaint Handling Policy Guidelines. Parent/Carer concerns regarding student and classroom matters should be directed to the classroom teacher as your first point of call, followed by an Executive then to the Principal. Concerns or issues about staff members need to be directed to the Principal. All discussions between class teachers and parents/carers need to be held in a polite and respectful manner to ensure that issues can be resolved quickly. At no time should parents/carers approach other students of this school to resolve issues on their own. Please take all concerns or issues to the appropriate staff.

Last Friday was another great day where we held our first Kindergarten Orientation afternoon. The day was very successful as we welcomed our 2017 students and families to our school. It was also a great time for our current Kindergarten students who visited the Stage One classes and had the opportunity to be the “big kids”. Thanks again to Mrs Bower and her many helpers who made this transition very successful.

Ian Lamph



APPLICATION FOR YEAR 7 – 2018 SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT

We wish to confirm student applications for Selective High School Placement is relevant for students who will be in **Year 7 in 2018** not 2017 as noted in the heading published in our school newsletter (Issue 16). If you have a child currently in Year 5 and are thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 entry in 2018 you must apply online at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement before 14th November, 2016. **NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

BELLTREES SCHOOL HORSE SPORTS

On Friday the 28th October I went to Belltrees School Horse Sports Day which is near Scone.

My mum and I left on Thursday afternoon to arrive and camp the night. When we got there our camp spot was on the side of the road and was a bit scary. We set up camp and made my horse a yard, got settled and mum started some dinner. The next minute all these loose cows were running around our car and my horse freaked out. My horse had to be tied up all night because she kept trying to get out because of the cows.

The next morning we packed up and headed down the road to where the Horse Sports was being held. We had to finish plaiting my horse and get ready to head to the marshalling area.

I had two riding events in the morning and my horse bucked me off in the first one so I was covered in mud. The sporting was in the afternoon, it was starting to rain.

When we were leaving a horse was frightened by a car and jumped on my mum's bonnet.

It was a long drive home and I was very tired and sore.

Jorja L

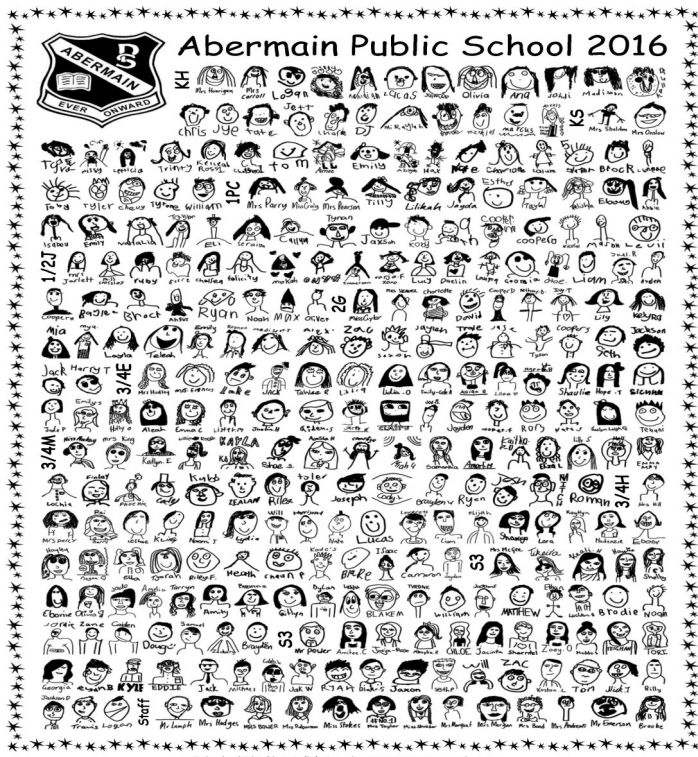




TEA TOWEL FUNDRAISER

Thank you to those who have already placed an order for our Tea Towel Fundraiser. The students have done a fantastic job with their drawings and it is hoped that the Tea Towels will be ready to be sent home with students in the next few weeks.

The school has ordered extra Tea Towels. Please contact the school if you would like to purchase. Please note there will only be a limited supply of the extra order.



PBL BADGE RECIPIENTS

Tayla S
Lydia B
Nattalia D
Lucas P
Noah C
Marcus M
Jett J
Kelleah R
Chelsea L
Emily R
Chelsea D
Mikaylah L
Haylie C



QUALITY WORK SHARED WITH THE PRINCIPAL

Olivia J
Ashleigh K
Jaimee L
Madi T
Mya P
Mackenzie H
Leshae W
Kaytlyn A
Max C

SPORTS PRESENTATION

REMINDER

**A reminder that the Sports
Presentation will be held Friday
11th November at 9.30am in the
hall.**

All welcome to attend



ES1 OAKVALE EXCURSION

Last week Kindergarten went on a very special trip to Oakvale Farm. They got to feed baby goats and piglets, milk Daisy the cow and feed the kangaroos and wallabies. They were even lucky enough to see a tiny joey hopping around and pat a snake and lizard! It was such a fun filled day. Thank you to all of the helpers who came along.





“DAY FOR DANIEL”

Keeping children safe through child safety and protection initiatives was the message promoted at Abermain School on the 28th of October when our staff and students wore red for “Day for Daniel”. Each class discussed how to recognise, react and report to situations when they feel something is not right. A “Day for Daniel” was founded by the Daniel Morcombe foundation and the parents of Daniel, who wanted to raise awareness and educate all children in schools after their tragic loss.

Thank you for all of those who wore red to show your support.



**Barkuma is looking for donations of
BRAND NEW UNOPENED gifts and
NON-PERISHABLE FOOD items for
our Community Christmas Appeal.**

Please bring your donations to

Barkuma's Charity Outlet

148 Barton Street, Kurri or

Barkuma Neighbourhood Centre

76 Lang Street, Kurri Kurri.

Donations will be accepted until

16th December 2016

**Thank you for your support and we
hope you have a magical Christmas!**





COLOUR RUN FUNDRAISING LEADERBOARD

Week	KH	KS	1PC	1/2J	2G	3/4E	3/4H	3/4M	5/6M	5/6P
1	42.60	113.25	41.96	25.32	53.25	0	277.67	0	0	0
2										
3										
4										

The classes that raise the most amount of money
will be able to take part in the Colour Run first!

ALL children can and are encouraged to participate in this fun day afternoon.

All you'll need to participate on the day is a white shirt and old shorts that can be ruined, sunglasses to protect those very special eyes and a \$5 entry fee (to cover Mrs Hill's costs for the coloured powder fun!).

Parents and community members wanting to participate are encouraged to come along and throw powder, use super soakers, pool noodles, bubble blowers and anything fun and exciting!

Let's be big kids!

Please Google - School Fun-Run Australia Student Prize Video 2016

or watch the clip

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0HUuVHh6JiU>

Please Google - School Fun Run - Broadbeach State School

or watch the clip

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bsx9UrrW3U0>

Children's Cancer Institute

<https://ccia.org.au/>





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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.

LOWES
SHOP & SAVE FOR CHRISTMAS
EXCLUSIVE 1 DAY OFFER TO
ZERO & REWARDS CARD HOLDERS

20% OFF
SCHOOLWEAR
AND EVERYTHING ELSE

THURSDAY
17TH NOVEMBER
INSTORE & ONLINE

AVAILABLE INSTORE & ONLINE

*Cannot be combined with other offers or discounts. Floor stock only. Styles and colours may vary from store to store. No rain checks. Please choose carefully, exchanges and refunds only with receipt. Includes expiring 5% discount. Excludes gift cards. Offer ends midnight (AEST) 17/11/16. Must use Zero or Rewards card to receive discount.