

SAFE RESPECTFUL LEARNERS

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

21st July

Interrelate Year 5 & 6

22nd July

Clever Kids

PSSA Netball Gala Day

Mystery Tour (Stage 3)

25th July

Education Week Assembly

- 1.00pm to 2.00pm

School Assembly—2.30pm

PSSA Golf Day

26th July100% hOPE Out of Uniform
Day27th July

CCHS Aboriginal Art

Showcase

Got It! Program

PSSA Soccer

28th July

Interrelate

KKHS & CHS visit (Stage 3)

Community Workshops

29th July

Clever Kids

Got It! Parent Surveys due

2nd August

Zone PSSA

3rd AugustMPC—Cessnock High
School

This issue:

Parent Online Payment (POP)

Supporting the Homeless

Got It!

Book Week/Book Fair/Parade

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data

NAIDOC Celebrations

Kindergarten 2017 Enrolments



We are now taking registrations for Kindergarten students who will start school in 2017. Children may enrol in Kindergarten at the beginning of the school year if they turn 5 years of age on or before 31st July in that year. All children must be enrolled in school by their 6th birthday.

Any families who have a child starting Kindergarten in 2017 are asked to contact the school office on 4930 4210, or come to the office during school hours to register their child for Kindergarten 2017.

A letter detailing Kindergarten Orientation details will be sent home to all registered families during Term 3. Parents will need to ensure they have returned their child's enrolment form, together with their child's birth certificate, immunisation certificate, court orders (if applicable) and proof of address before Kindergarten Orientation in Term 4, 2016.





PRINCIPALS REPORT

Welcome back to another exciting term. This term we have many opportunities for parents/carers and family members to come in and enjoy the wonderful things that are happening within the school. This week we celebrated NAIDOC week with a raft of activities for the students and families to enjoy.

Next week we have a number of events happening:

Monday 25th July

1.00pm to 2.00pm—Special Assembly to reward staff and students for excellence and development for Education Week.

2.30pm to 3.00pm—School Assembly

Tuesday 26th July

100% hOPE out of uniform day.

Wednesday 27th July

Assembly at Cessnock High School - 5pm to showcase some Stage 3 students' art work.

Thursday 28th July

Term 3 parent/carer Community Workshops where all parents/carers are welcome to come and learn more about our school and specific things that happen in each class. During this time Stage 3 parents/carers will have the opportunity to meet the Principals from Cessnock and Kurri Kurri High Schools and learn more about the enrolment process and the transition programs.

Friday 29th July

Clever Kids program.

Got It! is an opportunity for our school to participate in an early intervention program that aims to build emotional resilience and develop social skills in young children. This week families in K-2 will receive a survey to be completed by **Friday 29th July** to participate in this program. Additional support will be offered by Hunter Health to help any family to complete and return this survey at 2:30pm under the COLA. I indicated last term that the surveys are a valuable way for the school to collect information and I encourage all parents/carers to return the survey by the due date.

Parents Online Payment (POP) is now available through our school website. A special thank you to Kerrie Morgan for making this happen. School excursions and incursions can now be paid through POP. Payment descriptions will be included on the permission notes to allow staff to identify what the payment is for. Permission notes will still need to be returned no later than one day prior to the event outlining payment made online. Please read the attached POP flyer detailing How to Make a Payment, permission notes and payment deadlines.

It's an exciting time to be involved in our wonderful school and I look forward to talking with you during the term.

Ian Lamph




LIBRARY

Welcome back to the library for another exciting term.

This term the library will roll over to a new operating system called OLIVER, which from all accounts is fantastic. So any outstanding overdue books are now required back in. Again, if you have misplaced the book or it is damaged, please come and speak to Miss Craig, so these issues can be fixed up on the computer catalogue.

This is an exciting term for the library with Book Week occurring in Week 6. During the term students will be learning about the shortlisted books and during Week 6 we will have a Book Fair and Parade. So start thinking about what book character your child can come dressed as. Book Week costumes do not need to be expensive, commercial things. If you 'Google' Book Week costumes, there are literally thousands of ideas that can be made very easily and at little or no cost. Often these are the most creative and best looking costumes.

Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to DIY dumplings.

Easy to make, fun to eat!
Kids will love this do-it-yourself cooking task.



Serves 4.

- Prepare your favourite combination of vegetables for the filling: grated carrot, corn kernels, and finely chopped spinach works well; finely chopped mushrooms, cabbage and capsicum is tasty too.
- Place 16 wonton wrappers (available in packs in supermarkets) on a dry work surface.
- Place a few teaspoons of vegetable filling inside.
- Drizzle with salt-reduced soy sauce.
- Brush the edge of each wonton with water.
- Pull edges together and pinch to secure.
- Steam for about 10 minutes or until cooked.

For more information visit
www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit



**BOOK CLUB ORDERS (INCLUDING LOOP)
ARE DUE BACK BY MONDAY,
1ST AUGUST—WEEK 3**



Getting On Track In Time (Got It!)

Abermain Public School has the opportunity to participate in an exciting new program for children in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 in Term 4, 2016. *Getting On Track In Time (Got It!)* is an early intervention program run by local health professionals from the Local Health District in collaboration with Education.

Got It! aims to teach children emotional resilience and further the development of their social skills to help them better manage their behaviours at school and at home, assisting them to learn to their full potential and maximise their life opportunities. The program will be fun and supportive for students and will also be practical for parents and teachers.

This week **parents of children in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2** will receive a quick questionnaire to fill out for their children to assist in identifying which part of the program will best benefit their child.

The *Got It!* Health Workers will also be available on

Wednesday the 27th of July at 2:45pm

to provide information & answer any questions.

Drop in and meet the Local *Got It!* Health Team

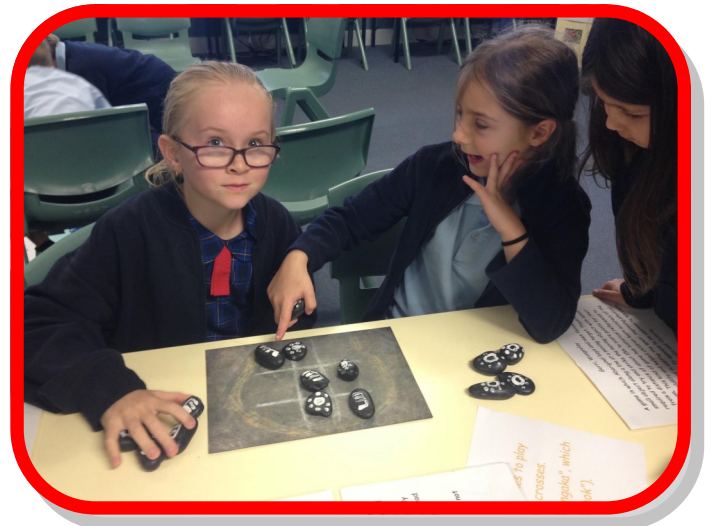
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Health
Hunter New England
Local Health District



NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS





Supporting the Homeless

Abermain Public School Community together with Barkuma Neighbourhood Centre are supporting the 'Hunter Homeless Connect Day' on 9th August 2016.

Hunter Homeless Connect require donations of:

Toiletries

Tooth paste & tooth brushes
Shampoo & conditioner
Deodorant (men & women)
Feminine hygiene products
Hair brushes & combs
Disposable razors
Shaving cream



For adults

New underwear & socks
Practical shoes
Jeans (men's & women's)
Jumpers
Coats & jackets
Corporate wear

For Families

Baby wipes
Nappies (crawlers & toddlers preferred)
Baby-grow suits 000-2
Children's socks & undies
School wear
Cot sheets & Blankets



As well as the following items for pets:

- Food and treats
- Blankets and coats
- Accessories; leads, collars, toys
- Flea and worming products

Each class will have a box to collect items from Monday 25th July until Friday 5th August.



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Education



Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Notification for Parents and Carers

All Government and non-Government schools across Australia are required to participate annually in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD).

All Australian schools will collect data on their students who are receiving adjustments to meet additional learning and support needs in accordance with their obligations under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and *Disability Standards for Education 2005*. This data will be provided to the Australian Government to assist in the development of a consistent, national picture of the education needs of students with disability.

The data provided to the Australian Government by the NSW Department of Education and Communities is provided in such a way that it cannot be used to identify any individual student or school.

General information about the national data collection can be found on the Australian Government Department of Education and Training website at <http://education.gov.au/fact-sheets-nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>.

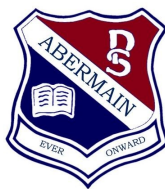
Privacy Protection

The NSW Department of Education and Communities follows the requirements of the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998* and the *Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002*. Schools will collect, record, store and use data about individual students in line with these requirements. Data security and protection is a priority and students' personal details will be kept confidential.

Under Clause 52 of the Commonwealth *Australian Education Regulation 2013*, data collected by the NSW Department of Education and Communities for the NCCD must be provided to the Australian Government Department of Education and Training. This includes the number of students at each level of education, the number in each category of disability and the number at each level of adjustment. The information is provided to the Commonwealth as a series of number sets that cannot be used to identify any individual student or school.

The Australian Government Department of Education and Training follows the requirements of the Commonwealth *Privacy Act 1988* when handling any data provided by NSW Department of Education and Communities in connection with the national data collection. A privacy notice has been developed to by the Australian Government to provide students, parents and carers with important privacy information in relation to the data collection. This notice is available on the department's website at <http://education.gov.au/notices>

If you have any questions about the data collection please do not hesitate to contact Debbie Bower (Assistant Principal) on 02 49304210.



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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

School students

Tap into



The smarter way for students
to travel to and from school.



Visit transportnsw.info/school-students



Who needs to apply

A new application is only required if the student has not had a School Opal card before.

Parents whose children already have a School Opal card and are changing schools or campuses will need to update their Opal card for the new school year before mid-December at apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts.

How to apply

Applications for 2017 open at the start of Term 4, 2016.

Step 1

Once the new school has confirmed the student's enrolment, complete the application at transportnsw.info/school-students

Step 2

Print, sign and date the completed application, then submit it to the student's new school for endorsement.

Step 3

The school then sends the endorsed application to Transport for NSW. Once approved, the School Opal card will be sent to the address provided on the application.



A parent or guardian must apply for students 15 years and under. Students 16 years and over must apply for themselves.