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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Welcome back to another exciting Term here at Abermain Public School!

We have all settled in well to our classes and caught up with our friends this week. Stage 1 students returned to new carpet in all their spaces, which looks amazing. A massive thank you to the staff for ensuring their classroom spaces were ready for students on Monday morning as actual works were only completed on the previous day. We are still working on getting a few things back to where they belong in the Stage 1 building.

I would like to officially welcome the following staff to our school this Term, Miss Sarah Cartwright is covering 1P as Mrs Percy and her family await the arrival of their newest addition to the family, Mrs Katy Lambley is covering KS for the next 3 weeks while Mrs Sheldon is on leave and Miss Zoe Rowsell has covered Mrs Bailey this week.

We also send our best wishes to Mr Lamph as he enjoys his leave throughout Term 4 and look forward to catching up with him in the new year, on his return. I am looking forward to supporting the school and the community as Relieving Principal throughout Term 4. This will see Mrs Roberson step into Deputy Principal and Mr Power step into Assistant Principal alongside Mrs Gibbs for the remainder of the year.

We are currently evaluating our School Plan for 2015-2017 and Term 4 will see us plan the next 3 year cycle. We welcome all feedback from our students, the community and staff in this process. At present we have a Parent "Tell Them from Me Survey" underway. We would appreciate your input and completion of the survey as it provides us with valuable information. Login details were sent home prior to the holidays and again are included in this newsletter.

Our community have asked that we remind all our students about the need for extreme caution when crossing roads. Staff have spoken to each of their classes about pedestrian safety and we ask that our families also have that conversation at home with their own children.

Looking forward to a great term.

Debbie Bower
Relieving Principal



1.00pm – 2.00pm

2.00pm – 2.30pm

2.30pm – 3.15pm

Classroom Visits

Afternoon Tea / Picnic with kids

Colour Run

Join Colour Run Festivities, pack a picnic afternoon tea and enjoy time in the sun with your special little people.

The Canteen will have tea and coffee available in the canteen area.

After our picnic you are very welcome to pull up a chair & watch the fun of the Colour Run.



Abermain Public School P&C Association will be holding a

“Colour Run” Friday 27th October, 2017 at 2.30pm.

All money raised will go to school projects.



Our annual Talent Show will be held during this term with heats commencing in Week 5 and then concluding with the Finals during Week 7 (Term 4).



TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY

We would like to invite you to participate in an online survey to find out your thoughts on how Abermain Public School meets the needs of your child both academically and socially. Your responses will help the school to develop a School Plan. As a school we value every parent's opinion, so please be involved. The more surveys we receive, the more we are able to use your ideas to improve our school. Please think of one of your children here at school as you complete the survey.

Below is the link needed to access our specific survey. All information is anonymous.

<https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/vymzq>

CONGRATULATIONS MITCHELL



A very big congratulations to our very own Mitchell Brown who has been selected to represent Australia in the boys Under 10's Futsal team. What an achievement. Well done Mitchell!!

Save
the
Date

SPORTS PRESENTATION DAY

Friday 10th November, 2017

YEAR 6 FAREWELL

Wednesday 29th November, 2017

PRESENTATION DAY

Wednesday 6th December, 2017.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Monday 11th December, 2017



More information can be found at
<http://myrta.com/ebus/docs/rescat/pdf/7/2100/45094455pedsafe1212.pdf>

When you are driving

- Give way to pedestrians if there is any danger of colliding with them.
- Drive at a speed at which you can stop safely before the crossing.
- Give way to a pedestrian who is crossing the road when turning left or right or making a U-turn.
- Always obey 'no stopping' signs.
- Never overtake or pass a vehicle that is stopping or slowing at a crossing.

When you are a pedestrian

- You must always use a pedestrian crossing if there is one within 20 metres.
- Cross directly across the road and don't stay on the road any longer than necessary.
- Avoid walking on the road; choose the footpath or nature strip. If the road is the only alternative, face the oncoming traffic and stay as far to the side of the road as possible.

INTENSIVE SWIMMING PROGRAM

Year 2-6 students are eligible to participate in the School Swimming Scheme to be held for 10 consecutive days from Monday 20th November to Friday 1st December 2017 (Week 7 and 8) at Kurri Kurri Aquatic Centre. The program focuses on improving swimming skills, water safety and survival techniques.

All Year 2 students are strongly advised to attend. The first places will be allocated to all Year 2 students who return their permission slips. The remainder of the places will work on a first in first served process as we have a limited amount of places in the program. Any swimming ability is eligible to attend.

NOTES WILL BE SENT HOME AT A LATER DATE.





KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

2018 Kindergarten Orientation Program

Thursday 2 nd November, 2017	1.00pm - 2.00pm Parents & students - Library <i>Followed by "Stories" at 2:30pm for those who wish to stay</i>
Thursday 9 th November, 2017	1.00pm - 2.00pm Parents - Library Students - Kindergarten classroom <i>Followed by "Stories" at 2:30pm for those who wish to stay</i>
Thursday 16 th November, 2017	1.00pm - 2.00pm Parents - Library Students - Kindergarten classroom <i>Followed by "Stories" at 2:30pm for those who wish to stay</i>
Thursday 23 rd November, 2017	9.30am - 11.15am Parents - Library Students - Kindergarten classroom

WEEK 2 - TERM 4 CYBER EDUCATION VISITS

Parent/Carer Session

4pm - Wednesday 18th October, 2017 in the school library. No cost.

Stage 2 and 3 Sessions

Thursday 19th October, 2017 (2 x 1 hour student sessions during class time). No cost.

P&C MEETING

The next P&C Meeting will be held Monday, 16th October, 2017 starting at 5.00pm in the school library.

At the meeting we will be collecting community feedback to build the school's vision and action plan for the next 3 years. We would love to see as many community members there as possible to contribute to making Abermain Public School the best learning environment possible



APPLICATION FOR YEAR 7 SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT IN 2019

Selective high schools cater for high achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level. If you have a child who will be applying for Year 7 in 2019 and are interested in applying for a government selective high school you must apply online at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

The application website opens on **Tuesday 10th October, 2017** and closes on **Monday 13th November, 2017**. All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test being held on Thursday 15th March, 2018.

Further information about applying for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2019 is available at the school office or online at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc>.

A reminder to parents that permission notes for the Science & Engineering Discovery Day on Wednesday 25th October, 2017 (Week 3) are due this Friday 13th October, 2017. This is a compulsory event for 5/6D and 5/6M students. The event provides fun, hands-on learning experiences for students to explore the science syllabus. Please bring notes to the front office or your child's classroom teacher.



ISSUE 7

**ORDERS TO BE RETURNED BY
THURSDAY, 26TH OCTOBER, 2017.**

**WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
MONDAY 6TH NOVEMBER, 2017**

WHERE; SCHOOL HALL

TIME; 2.30PM

**ALL PARENTS/CARERS WELCOME TO
ATTEND**

Explore the future and win with School Banking.



Term 4 is here and the Future Games competition is in full swing, with two exciting prize draws to enter. Get started by making three or more School Banking deposits during the competition period – from **Monday 14 August 2017 to Friday 10 November 2017**.

Play the Future Savers app for a chance to win a Nintendo Switch

The Future Savers app is an amazing adventure in augmented reality that brings the future and the Dollarmites to life, teaching fun money lessons along the journey.

After playing three exciting games, unlocked week by week, students need to complete the online entry form at commbank.com.au/futuregames by Friday 10 November 2017 to go in the draw for a Nintendo Switch.

HIGH TECH PRIZES



60x



90x



HOW TO ENTER

Make 3 or more School Banking deposits for a chance to win one of these High Tech Prizes

GAME MASTER PRIZE

50x
Nintendo Switch
Neon Console
Backs



HOW TO ENTER

Make 3 or more School Banking deposits • play the Future Savers app • complete the online entry form for a chance to win a Game Master Prize

Download and play the Future Savers app from **Monday 16 October 2017**. Simply search Future Savers in the App Store (iOS) or Google Play (Android). For more information about the app and the Future Games competition, visit commbank.com.au/futuregames



SCHOOL APP

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 WEBSITE

<http://www.abermain-chools.nsw.edu.au>

SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE

Abermain Public School

COPIES OF NOTES CAN BE OBTAINED ON BOTH OUR SCHOOL APP AND OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE.



ADVERTISING



Little Owl Early Education Centre
Phone: 49304233

Children 2 to 6 years welcome!
23 Grafton Street, Abermain

Email: littleowlabermain@gmail.com

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LOWES zero **INSTORE & ONLINE THURSDAY 12TH OCTOBER** **LOWES REWARDS CLUB**

* 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 dollar. Includes existing 5% discount. Excludes gift cards. Offer ends midnight (AEST) 12/10/17. Must use Zero or Rewards card to receive discount.



Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to pack a lunch box.



With the kids back to school for Term 3, here are a few tips to make packing and eating lunches easy for you and your child.

- Allocate a drawer or area of the kitchen where lunch boxes and containers are kept, so you can streamline packing.
- If you get food coming home uneaten, ask your child why, as there might be a simple reason, like it's getting soggy in the lunch box, it takes too long to eat or you are packing a little too much for them.
- Remember to include a fork or spoon when needed.
- Prevent soggy sandwiches – pack fillings such as tomato and cucumber slices separately to be added to bread at lunch time, or pat slices dry with paper towel at home before adding to a sandwich.
- For small appetites or younger children, packing smaller serves can help; like cutting sandwiches into quarters and chopping up fruit.
- Open tinned food like corn, baked beans and tuna at home and send in the lunchbox in a plastic container. Tins can be hard to open at school and are sharp on little fingers.

For more information visit
www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at [facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://www.facebook.com/eatittobeatit)





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STAGE 2

- * Thursday 19th October, 2017 - Cyber Safety Session
(notes sent home 20/09/2017)

STAGE 3

- * Thursday 19th October, 2017 - Cyber Safety Session
- * Wednesday 25th October, 2017 - Science & Engineering Discovery Day
(notes sent home 20/09/2017)
- * Thursday 26th October, 2017 - Mount View High School Orientation
(notes sent home 20/09/2017)

GENERAL

- * Monday 16th October, 2017 - P&C Meeting - 5.00pm in the library
- * Wednesday 18th October, 2017 - Cyber Safety Parent Session - 4.00pm
- * Monday 23rd October, 2017 - AECG Meeting, 3.30pm Mount View High School
- * Friday 27th October, 2017 - Grandparents Day
(notes sent home 10/10/2017)
- * P&C Colour Run
(notes sent home 10/10/2017)
- * Thursday 2nd November, 2017 - Kindergarten Orientation, 1.00 - 2.00pm
- * Thursday 9th November, 2017 - Kindergarten Orientation, 1.00 - 2.00pm
- * Friday 10th November, 2017 - Sports Presentation Day
(notes will be sent home at a later date)
- * Monday 13th November, 2017 - P&C Meeting - 5.00pm in the library
- * Thursday 16th November, 2017 - Kindergarten Orientation, 1.00 - 2.00pm
- * Thursday 23rd November, 2017 - Kindergarten Orientation, 9.30 - 11.15am
- * Thursday 29th November, 2017 - Year 6 Farewell
(notes will be sent home at a later date)
- * Friday 1st December, 2017 - Year 6 Parent Breakfast
(notes will be sent home at a later date)