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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Thank You

As we near the end of the year, I would like to thank the School P&C committee and its members for their ongoing support of our school. The financial support they provide is invaluable. This year saw a massive commitment to the installation of sound and lighting in our hall so that we could perform our first musical, Disney's "Mulan" in Term Three. Thank you to Michelle and her canteen team for their ongoing commitment to ensuring the service runs as often as possible. The funds raised support many school projects across the school year.

End of Year Organisation

With this year ending and the next year being planned, we are busy organising and forming classes for 2018. We will farewell some staff as they move to exciting new educational adventures in different spaces and welcome back staff who have been on leave in 2018. Thank you to all current staff for their outstanding commitment to our school.

Presentation Day

This week we celebrated the successes of our children at our Presentation Day Assembly and it was pure joy to see the excitement on their faces as they accepted their awards. We were overwhelmed by the support of the wider community towards our school again this year as they willingly offered up sponsorships and scholarships in order to acknowledge our students. Thank you to the following organisations, and people for their support:

Sternbeck's Real Estate
Debra Ford
Abermain View Club
Kurri Kurri Lions Club
Lodge Cessnock

Cessnock High School
Abermain Public School P&C Association
Clayton Barr, MP
Rotary Club of Kurri Kurri
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Report Update

Semester Two Reports will be sent home on Friday 8th December, 2017 in your child's bag along with an offer to organise an interview with your child's teacher if you need one next week. Thank you to the staff for your ongoing commitment and dedication to providing valuable feedback to our parents and carers.

REMINDER about surrounding properties: Could I remind people that are dropping off and picking up our children to please respect the private properties that surround our school and take any rubbish you may have with you. Thank you in advance for your help in ensuring we are doing our bit to keep Abermain a litter free environment.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at Carols next Monday night 11th December, 2017.

Deb Bower
Relieving Principal



YEAR 6 FAREWELL!!

On Wednesday 28th November 2017, Abermain Public School celebrated the Year Six students completing their primary education as they leave for high school.

The evening started with some grand entrances - people coming in fire trucks, a limo and a black Mustang! After everyone arrived we went into the hall where the Year Six students received certificates and a small gift from the P&C.

The food was great, there were all different salads, a huge leg of ham, the best mac and cheese ever, fresh chicken, potato bake and vanilla ice cream!

Then we danced to a lot of different songs like the Macarena, the Nutbush and more! Throughout the disco we went and had photos taken with our friends and our entire class.

When the party was almost at its end, the Year Five students and staff made an arch for our outgoing Year Six students to walk through as they left the hall for the last time.

Congratulations Year 6 students! Abermain Public School will miss you and we wish you all the best for high school!

By Megan, Hayley, Emily-Cate and Jade. (Year Five students from 5/6D & 5/6M)







YEAR 6 FUN DAY

Last Friday Year Six students hosted a Fun Day to help raise money for our school. We created 'pop-up' stalls, each providing a fun activity for students to participate in. Our efforts at planning and running the stalls paid off – we raised \$447! On behalf of all the Year Six students, I would like to thank all the teachers for a wonderful education over the past seven years. From me personally, I thank you Mrs Marquet for always complementing me on my hair! :)

By Ethan Hodgins 5/6M





A VISIT FROM MR EMERSON

KH had a lovely visit from Mr Emerson last week. He answered lots of our questions about how he cares for our school. Some of the questions included:

How many things do you fix?

Do you pick up lots of rubbish?

How long does it take you to mow the lawn?

Do you care for the gardens?

Thanks Mr Emerson for all of your answers!



FIRE BRIGADE VISIT

Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 enjoyed another visit from the Fire Brigade. This time they got to explore the truck and even got to use the hose. There were some very wet shirts by the end!





STAGE 3 PCYC TRIP

Last Tuesday Stage 3 went to the PCYC Cessnock for our Rewards Day. It was heaps of fun! We did rock climbing, gymnastics, trampolining and enjoyed skating in the indoor skate park. Thank you to Mr Checkley, Mrs McGee and Mr Moore for taking us to the PCYC. We all had a great time!

Written by Dylan E. (5/6M)





Δεαρ χηιλδρεν οφ Αβερμαιν ΠΣ

Τηανκ ψου φορ ψουρ λεττερσ, ωισηεσ ανδ σεχρετσ. Ωε αρε σο ηαππυ το βε της φαιριεσ λοοκινγ αφτερ Αβερμαιν ΠΣ. Ωε αρε Χεωτιχ, Σιοβηαν (Συσιε), Ηολλψ ανδ Παιδριγ (Πατ).

Ωε ηαδ α σπεχιαλ δαψ ψεστερδαψ, φλιττινγ αρουνδ ανδ χλαππινγ σο μυχη ατ ψουρ Πρεσεντατιον Δαψ. Ωε αρε συρε σομε οφ ψου σαω της σ ταρσ φρομουρ χλαπσ.

Ωε αρε οφφ νοω το ηελπ ουρ φριενδσ, της ελπεσ ατ της Νορτη Πολε.

Χεδ ισ γοινγ το μακε συρε της γιφτ ταγσ αρε ριγητ. Σιοβηαν ωιλλ ηε λπ ωιτη της ωραππινγ ανδ Πατ χαν□τ ωαιτ το γετ ιντο της ωορκσηοπ, ανδ Ι ωιλλ βε μακινγ

συρε εφερψονε ηασ φυστ της ριγητ αμουντ οφ χηοχολατε.

Χαν ψου γυεσσ ωηο μαναγεδ το σνεακ τηισ παστ Μρσ Μ ανδ σλιπ ιτ ιντο ψου νεωσλεττερ

Ηαπε α λοπελψ Χηριστμασ ανδ ωε αρε λοοκινγ φορωαρδ το σομε αμαζινγ τηινγσ νεξτ ψεαρ.

Λοτσ οφ φαιρψ κισσεσ,

Dear children of Abermain PS

Thank you for your letters, wishes and secrets. We are so happy to be the fairies looking after Abermain PS. We are Cedric, Siobhan (Susie), Holly and Paidrig (Pat).

We had a special day yesterday, flitting around and clapping so much at your Presentation Day. We are sure some of you saw the stars from our claps.

We are off now to help our friends, the elves at the North Pole. Ced is going to make sure the gift tags are right. Siobhan will help with the wrapping and Pat can't wait to get into the workshop, and I will be making sure everyone has just the right amount of chocolate.

Can you guess who managed to sneak this past Mrs M and slip it into you newsletter? Have a lovely Christmas and we are looking forward to some amazing things next year. Lots of fairy kisses,





MUSIC BUS STUDENT OF THE WEEK

An interview with teacher Luke with the Music Bus Student of the Week, Keira L.

Name: Keira

How long have you been on The Music Bus?

Since last year.

What is your favourite song?

“Firework” by Katy Perry.

If you won the lotto what musical instrument would you buy?

A new keyboard.

What do you like about your lessons?

Learning new music.



Premier's Reading Challenge

Information and starter packs are now available for those who wish to begin the challenge over the holidays.

Please see Mrs Taylor before school or at recess in the library.

Happy reading.

Book club News

Issue 8 has arrived. Please let the school know if you wish your order to be held. Orders will be delivered to students on Tuesday 12th December, 2017.



Fireworks Safety *for pets*



- Keep your pets secured INSIDE your home.** Even dogs in fenced yards find ways to escape the scary sounds.
- Give them a safe place to hide.** Set up a comfortable room or crate in your house just for them.
- Use ambient noise to mask the noise.** A radio or TV playing comforting music works well.
- Update their IDs & microchips** (just in case).
- Skip the celebration and stay home with them.** Sometimes your presence makes all the difference.
- Keep them busy.** Treat toys, like Kongs, can help distract them during the display.

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ABERMAIN MISSION HALL CHURCH &
ABERMAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C PRESENT...



CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Location:
ABERMAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL

- Monday, 11th December 2017
- Gates open 5.30pm for a 6.30pm start
- Gold Coin Donation Entry
- Food & drinks available throughout the night
- Visit from Santa
- Fireworks begin at 9.00pm

Special thanks to our following Major Sponsors:







REMINDER FOR UPCOMING PAWS PLUS EXCURSION
TO GRAVITY X

WHEN - THURSDAY 14TH DECEMBER, 2017

PLEASE ENSURE NOTES ARE RETURNED BY
FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER, 2017

LOST PROPERTY

If your child is missing an item of clothing, please feel free to come and check the "Lost Property Box" at school as all items will be discarded at the end of the school day on Friday 8th December, 2017.



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KORREIL WONNAI AECG DATES / VENUES 2018

ABOUT THE AECG:

- The AECG gives Aboriginal people a voice at a Local level & takes their views State wide. The strength of the AECG depends on the participation of all concerned i.e.; Education Department, Schools, Teachers, Parents, Students, Aboriginal Organisations & the wider community. We want to empower our communities to become involved in all levels of Education & will contribute to improving all outcomes for everyone.
- The AECG is an Aboriginal community based organization made up of volunteer members who are involved in Junior, Local, Regional & State AECG's throughout NSW. The AECG is recognized as the principle source of advice on behalf of Aboriginal communities on issues relating to Education.

All meetings are 3-30 for a 4pm starting time.

Term 1 2018: 26 Feb (Week 5) @ Pelaw Main PS

**Term 2 2018: 14 May (Week 3) @ Kearsley PS +
: 4 June (Week 6) @ Weston PS**

Term 3 2018: 20 Aug (Week 5) @ Cessnock West PS

***KULLABURRA Awards 29th August @ Saint Philip's CC**

**Term 4 2018: 29 Oct (Week 3) + AGM @ Mount View HS +
: 26 Nov (Week 7) @ Kurri Kurri HS**

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GENERAL

- * Friday 8th December, 2017 - Whole School Assembly, 9.30am
(NOTE: Change in date and time)
- * Monday 11th December, 2017 - Abermain Mission Hall/P&C Christmas Carols
- * Tuesday 12th December, 2017 - KH & KS Rewards Day/Class party
1G & 1P Rewards Day/Class party
- * Wednesday 13th December, 2017 - 3/4R Class party
5/6D & 5/6M Class party
3/4M Class party
4/5S Class party
2G & 2H Rewards Day/Class party
- * Thursday 14th December, 2017 - PAWS Plus excursion to Gravity X
- * Friday 15th December, 2017 - 3/4M & 3/4R Rewards Day
Last day of term
- * Tuesday 30th January, 2018 - Students in Years 1-6 return to school
- * Tuesday 30th January to Friday 2nd February, 2018 - Kindergarten Best Start Interviews (varied times)
- * Monday 5th February, 2018 - Kindergarten students first day of school

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-schools.nsw.edu.au>

SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE

Abermain Public School

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