

SAFE, RESPECTFUL LEARNERS



VISION STATEMENT

As a learning community we know, value and care for every child. We share responsibility to nurture, guide, inspire and challenge students. High quality teaching develops confident and creative individuals with the personal resources for future success and wellbeing.

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

It was so nice to see everyone back and well after their holiday breaks with family and friends last week. We have another busy and exciting term ahead here at school. With the school musical well underway classes are taking the opportunity to link many of our curriculum experiences which is seeing lots of talk about Africa and how it compares to Australia.

Students were excited to welcome back Mrs Percy, Mrs McGee and Ms Mackay to our school!

As Mr Lamph is on leave this term the Executive team welcome Mr Power back as Relieving Assistant Principal alongside Mrs Roberson, Mrs Gibbs, Ms Stokes and myself.

This week saw myself and Mrs Roberson attend the Mayor's Annual School Leaders Breakfast in Cessnock where we were inspired and entertained by Nathan Hulls. The leaders have submitted an article outlining their experiences, so check that out. It is always a pleasure spending quality time with our amazing leaders and to see them interact and represent our school in such an outstanding manner. I have also had so many visits by students showcasing their skills in reading and writing this past week. I am so proud of their efforts!

Just a friendly reminder, please be mindful of the impact of energy drinks on our little people here at school, as you are aware we don't allow them to drink them at school.

Positive Behaviours for Learning (PBL) as you know underpins our school values of Safety, Respect and Learning. This term we hope to keep you informed of our focus for each week, and when we catch someone doing a wonderful job, again have a quick look at that article.

The School Musical update is being sent home with students today and will hopefully answer a few of the questions I have had this week, please feel free to ring if you still have any further questions regarding your child's participation.

Thanks to you all for your ongoing support of our school.

Relieving Principal
Deb Bower



EDUCATION WEEK

EDUCATION WeekToday's schools – creating tomorrow's world.

Next week we will celebrate Education Week. There will be a Whole School Assembly commencing at 1pm on Monday 6th August, 2018 where we will acknowledge students for their determination and effort towards being Safe, Respectful Learners. Families have been notified if their children are receiving awards. We will also announce our Junior PBL Representatives and present the Athletics Age Championship Medals. Tuesday will see Years 3 - 6 students participate in sessions with well known author JOFFA. Cessnock High School will host the Regional Awards ceremony on Wednesday afternoon. Abermain Public School have a number of people and programs from our community being acknowledged at that ceremony. On Thursday, you are invited to visit your child's classroom from 10am till 11.00am and then stay for a picnic lunch with them. There will be "free sausage sizzle" on offer too.

The canteen will be open for drinks etc but not for hot food as they will be helping with the sausage sizzle .

PBL

What's on in PBL?

Our learners have had a wonderful start to Term 3. Teachers, parents and community members have been so positive in their comments about the wonderful students in our school. On a daily basis I hear so many teachers and parents having conversations about the amazing achievements of the students at Abermain Public School.

This term will see many of our students achieve their PAWs badge. Having a PAWs badge pinned to your uniform is a very proud moment for students and their families. This moment represents students continued efforts to be Safe, Respectful Learners in the classroom, playground and even outside of school. Earning a PAWs badge is a major achievement reserved only for those students who consistently uphold our school's core values. We look forward to celebrating with all of our incredible PAWs badge recipients.

Who did we catch being a Safe, Respectful Learner??Maddi B....from 1H.

During the week Mrs Bailey was heading to the fields for her lunch time duty and she overheard Maddi helping another student. The other student was running down the hill, very excited to get to her play session, and Maddi most respectfully reminder her that, ***"We must walk safely in all areas."*** Congratulations Maddi, you have been caught being a very Safe, Respectful Learner.

We look forward to catching some more students being Safe, Respectful Abermain Public School Learners.



SCHOOL LEADERS BREAKFAST

On the 31st July, 2018 the School Leaders went to the Cessnock Performing Arts Centre for the School Leader Breakfast. Plenty of students turned up for the special occasion. There was breakfast provided, and the guest speaker there was Nathan Hulls. He spoke to us about how we are like Transformers - we all have our "Everyday" self and our "Super Hero" self. He encouraged us to live life as our "Super Hero" self. It was a very motivational presentation.

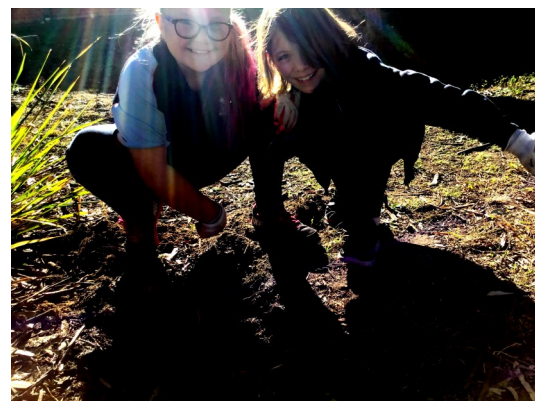
By Jayden B



Friday 27th July, 2018 was Planet Ark's 'Schools Tree Day'. This week, students in 3/4G and 5/6P followed up on their learning about the living world by adding more native plants to our school playground, choosing locations around the Aboriginal Garden and Outdoor Learning Area for the donated tube stock. Thank you to Mrs Gibbs, Cessnock City Council and the Cessnock Men's Shed for making this possible.

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BOOK FAIR

The theme for this years Book Fair is 'READING IS OUT OF THIS WORLD' and the Book Week theme is 'FIND YOUR TREASURE'

So blast into the library during book week to find your treasure!!

The Book Fair will be open at the following times:

Tuesday 21st August & Wednesday 22nd August from 8.45am – 9.10am

Thursday 23rd August (Book Parade Day) from 8.45am until 10mins before the parade begins and will re-open after the parade until 1.00pm

We have requested that we have eftpos available again this year



CAKES FOR FARMERS

Come along and treat yourself with some yummy cakes and desserts to support our Aussie farmers.

Thursday 9th Aug – Sunday 12th Aug

All proceeds from cakes/desserts sold will be donated to the Buy a Bale campaign

CANTEEN NEWS

Our school canteen will be participating in the Fresh for Kids "Eat Fresh and Win" Canteen Campaign between Monday 6th August, 2018 and Friday 21st September, 2018. Students are encouraged to either bring a piece of fruit or vegetable from home, or purchase some fruit from the school canteen and each time they do they will be rewarded with a sticker. Upon collecting 2 stickers, students are to return their passport to the canteen where they will be rewarded with a prize. This prize has a number on the back where students will have a chance to receive a bonus prize.

All completed entry forms will be returned to Sydney markets to go into a major prize draw on Wednesday 17th October, 2018 for a chance to win some great prizes. Prizes for the major prize draw are:

1 st Prize	Roar and Snore at Taronga Zoo for 2 adults / 2 children
2 nd Prize	Garmin Vivofit JR Fitness Watches
3 rd Prize	Faber Castell Packs
4 th Prize	Tupperware Lunch Prize Pack
Bonus Prize	Xbox One+



**BOOK CLUB ORDERS TO BE
RETURNED BY
MONDAY 13TH AUGUST, 2018.
BY 11.00AM**



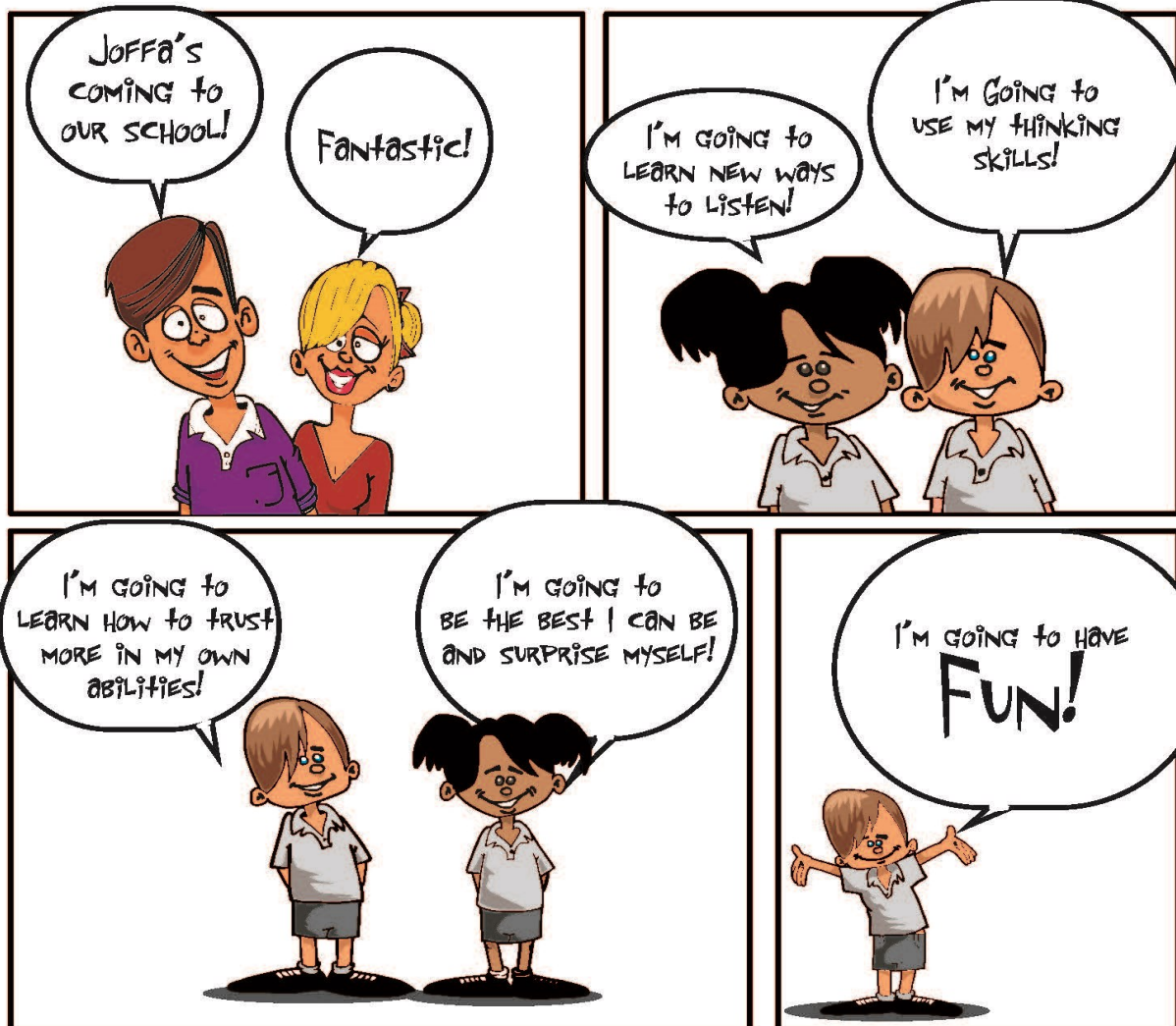
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FRATER AWARD WINNER



TUESDAY 7TH AUGUST



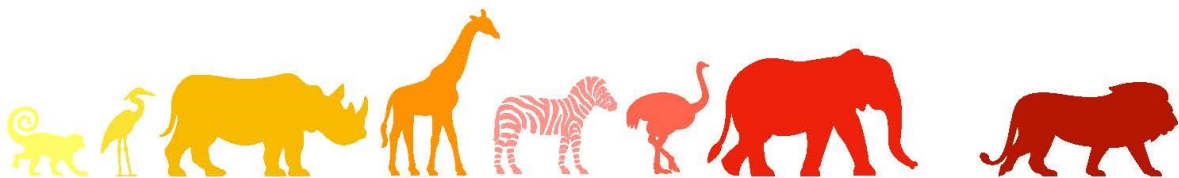
IT'S SHOW TIME!

SHADOWLANDS

MATINEE 1: WED 12 SEPTEMBER 12:30PM

EVENING 2: THUR 13 SEPTEMBER 6:30PM

KS - 1C - 2G - 3/4G - 3/4/5R - 5/6P



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MATINEE 2: THUR 13 SEPTEMBER 12:30PM

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Abermain Public School's
Production of



Music and Lyrics by
Elton John and Tim Rice

Additional Music and Lyrics by
**Lebo M, Mark Mancina, Jay Rifkin
and Hans Zimmer**

Book by **Roger Allers and Irene Mecchi**

Based on the Broadway production directed by
Julie Taymor

Music Adapted & Arranged and Additional Music & Lyrics and
"Luau Hawaiian Treat" written by **Will Van Dyke**

"It's a Small World" written by **Richard M. Sherman and Robert B. Sherman**

Licensed exclusively by **Music Theatre International (Australasia).**
All performance materials supplied by **Hal Leonard Australia.**

Wednesday 12 & Thursday 13 September
Matinee 12:30pm & Evening 6:30pm
Tickets \$10 or \$25 Family (4)
Double Performance Pass \$35 (8)
(02) 4930 4210
Abermain Public School Hall



**Abermain Public School
invites you to
Clever Kids!**

Date: Every FRIDAY

From 3rd August, 2018 to 21st September, 2018

Time: 1:30pm – 3pm

Bring a hat, water and a snack for recess

Come along to our

EXTENDED TRANSITION TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

Children enrolled for kindergarten next year,
and their parents, will have the opportunity
to join us for some fun activities to support
their readiness for school.

*We are also happy to support you in deciding whether
your child is ready to start school.*

Please call the school on 4930 4210 to register



DO YOU REQUIRE A BREAK, HAVE APPOINTMENTS, NEED
TIME OUT, WORK LONG HOURS!!!

TRY SHERPA KIDS

**WE ARE HERE FOR BEFORE SCHOOL AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE AT
ABERMAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL!!!**

**MONDAY TO FRIDAY FROM 7.00AM BEFORE SCHOOL CARE,
AFTER SCHOOL CARE AVAILABLE FROM SCHOOL END UNTIL 6.00PM.**

Located in the canteen hall.

Enrolment is free,
Structured activities available
Quality Care Programs
Breakfast and Afternoon Tea Provided
Outdoor play
Imaginative and Creative Play environment
Inclusion support programs
CCB and CCR available.

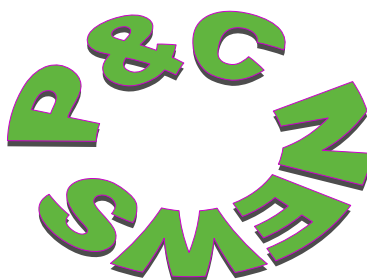
Out of Pocket Fees can be as little as \$3.00 per session.

Enquiries available

Spaces available daily.

Casual and Permanent Places.

Elaine McCourt 0410 647 153 hunter@sherpa-kids.com.au



The next P&C Meeting will be held on

Monday 13th August, 2018 beginning at

5.00pm.

All welcome to attend.



Road safety

Helping children on and off the bus safely

Your children are most at risk in the minutes after getting off the bus. Here are some ways you can reduce this risk:

- Always meet your child at the bus stop. Never meet them on the opposite side of the road and call them across.
- Wait until the bus has gone, then choose a safe place to cross the road. Remember to Stop! Look! Listen! Think!
- If you cannot meet your child, organise for another trusted adult to take your place.
- Wait at the bus stop and stand at least one step back from the edge of the road.
- Always wait until the bus has gone, then use a safe place to cross.
- Buckle up if the bus has seatbelts.

Model safe pedestrian behaviour. Children learn safe road user habits from you and will continue them later on when they are old enough to travel alone.

Until your child is at least eight years old, hold their hand on the footpath, in the carpark and when crossing the road. Up until at least 10 years old, supervise your child very closely, holding their hand when crossing the road.

STOP!

one step back from the kerb

LOOK!

continuously both ways

LISTEN!

for the sounds of approaching traffic

THINK!

whether it is safe to cross and keep checking until safely across

Messages to share with your children in Kindergarten to Year 2

Hold a grown up's hand when:

- you cross the road
- you're on the footpath
- you're in a car park

Messages to share with your children in Years 3 and 4

- Hold an adult's hand when you cross the road
- Use a safe place to cross the road

Messages to share with children in Years 5 and 6

- Stop! Look! Listen! Think! every time you cross the road and keep checking until safely across

Kindergarten to Year 6

- Wait until the bus has gone and then use a safe place to cross

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the parents section on safetytown.com.au



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- ♦ Monday 6th August, 2018 - Education Week Assembly - 1:00 - 2:00pm
- ♦ Tuesday 7th August, 2018 - "Joffa" sessions
- ♦ Monday 13th August, 2018 - Kinder to Year 2 Assembly - 2.30pm
P&C Meeting, 5.00pm
- ♦ Tuesday 14th August, 2018 - Year 2 excursion - Hunter Valley Zoo
Lion King Jr. Ticket Sessions
- ♦ Wednesday 15th August, 2018 - Lion King Jr. Ticket Sessions
- ♦ Thursday 16th August, 2018 - Lion King Jr. Ticket Sessions
- ♦ Monday 20th August, 2018 - Year 3-6 Assembly - 2.30pm
- ♦ Thursday 23rd August, 2018 - Book Fair
- ♦ Monday 27th August, 2018 - Kinder to Year 2 Assembly - 2.30pm
- ♦ Tuesday 28th August, 2018 - Year 1 excursion - Hunter Valley Zoo

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 SCHOOL WEBSITE.



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KEEPING ACTIVE IN WINTER

Indoor activities don't have to be boring!
Although it's getting cold outside there are still
plenty of ways to get the heart rate up this
winter!

Here are some ideas that involve indoor active
fun:

- Free indoor play grounds in shopping centres
- A visit to the science museum (often free entry)
- YMCA kids programs
- Gymnastics
- Indoor Trampolining
- Bowling
- Ice Skating
- Indoor skate parks, sports and swim centres



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seasonal entry?



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SCHOOLWEAR

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* Excludes gift cards & all suit packages. 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 docket. Includes existing 5% discount.
Offer ends midnight (AEDT) 09/08/18. Must use Zero or Rewards card to receive discount.