

## 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.**

## MUSICAL A HUGE SUCCESS!





## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

***WOW, what an amazing few days!!!!***

**I cannot express in words how ridiculously proud we are of each and every one of our students!** Our performances this week are the result of six months of dedication and commitment from both them and their teachers. Congratulations to each of them for achieving so much!

**HUGE thank you to each and every staff member for their support,** without their dedication, shows like this cannot take place. To their families a massive thank you for allowing them the time to ensure an incredible production.

**To our community members who have once again offered their support in so many different ways,** from sewing, to helping out with singing rehearsals, to feeding us at intermissions, doing hair, make up, helping our casts get costumes ready, setting up ... we say another massive **thank you !**

**To our amazing P&C** who have tirelessly continued to raise funds so that we have this facility and can put on such wonderful events, **thank you!**

**To Ben,** who has given up the last 4 days to be with us to help Mr Power with sound and lighting, **thank you!**

**To Trent and his team from Lifelike Atmospheres,** thank you for supporting us with additional lighting and sound, ensuring such a professional show.

**To Cessnock East P&C thank you** for the lend of your additional staging, we so appreciate their support

**Congratulations and thank you to our Production Team, Mrs Roberson, Mr Power, Miss Gylar and Miss Trotter!** ...The logistics in ensuring that just under 300 children have had their time on stage to shine and showcase their new skills, has been an outstanding achievement again this year. This year saw us manage not just 6 classes on stage but 12! With that came many challenges that our team met with enthusiasm and determination. Hours of work both here and at home have resulted in many smiles and for many of our children the realisation that they have hidden talents and a new sense of confidence and pride in themselves and their peers



## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT...continued

I would like to thank you all for the wonderful feedback we have received, we do appreciate your kind words.

Below is an email from Katie Gibson from START SMART. Katie attended the Wednesday night show and sent this email the next day and I just wanted to share her beautiful words with you all ....

### **FIRST of all, WOW!!!**

I was so amazed by the talent those students showed last night. I remember seeing the rehearsals back in Term 2 and I was astounded then, but now I have seen the finished product and it was such a fantastic show. I can see the hard work that they have all put in from the Kindy's to the Year 6's. Not only have I seen the hard work of the students, but the hard working teachers. Teachers taking their own free time to make sure the students do shine and have a great show, the teachers who have their own family to be with but chose to work hard to make sure the show runs smoothly. I even saw the teachers running around backstage, but always with a smile on their face.

Abermain is a school I keep close to my heart as I have seen your students grow over the last few years, and it was an honour and a pleasure to see you all shine.

Break a leg today and tonight with the "Shadowland's" crew giving it their go. Have fun and again THANK YOU for having me come out to your wonderful school not only for Start Smart but letting me come to one of the best shows I have seen all year.

Warmest regards,  
Katie

***Be very proud of your little people, we are!***

Deb Bower  
Relieving Principal





## TERM THREE —Reporting CONFERENCES

**An opportunity to attend a catch-up session with your child and their teacher**

As we previously mentioned we will provide an opportunity once a Term to catch up with your child and their classroom teacher to discuss and share their learning rather than the once a semester approach previously in place. In the last two weeks of the Term staff will make themselves available to catch up with you and your child and provide you with a *'Report and Progress Plan'* for Term 3.

If you are unable to catch up personally this Term, the opportunity will again arise each Term and the *'Report and Progress Plan'* will be sent home with your child at the end of the Term.

If you would like to participate in this opportunity there is a list of available times for each teacher below. Please ring the school on 49 304210 and speak to the teacher or message your teacher via Class Dojo to lock in a suitable time. Sessions will run for 10 minutes. Staff are also happy to lock in a phone conversation on that day if you cannot attend school.

We have had an incredibly positive response to our new way of sharing your child's progress and their plans to further their achievement. The community have found it a more accessible document by gaining a very clear understanding of how they can help their child with their learning goals.

### STAFF AVAILABILITY

CLASS	TEACHER	DATE	BETWEEN
KS	Mrs Sheldon	17 <sup>th</sup> , 18 <sup>th</sup> , 21 <sup>st</sup> , 24 <sup>th</sup> , 25 <sup>th</sup> , 28 <sup>th</sup> September, 2018	3:30pm – 4:30pm
KT	Miss Trotter	17 <sup>th</sup> September, 2018	3:30pm – 4:30pm
		18 <sup>th</sup> September, 2018	8:30am – 9:30am
1H	Miss Rowsell	19 <sup>th</sup> September, 2018	8:30am – 4:30pm
1C	Miss Cartwright	19 <sup>th</sup> September, 2018	8:30am – 4:30pm
2E	Mrs Hedley	26 <sup>th</sup> September, 2018	8:45am – 4:00pm
2G	Mrs Gibbs	26 <sup>th</sup> September, 2018	8:30am – 5:00pm
3-4-5R	Mrs Hurn	17 <sup>th</sup> September – 19 <sup>th</sup> September, 2018	Before and after school
3-4G	Miss Gyler	21 <sup>st</sup> September, 2018	8:30am – 9:00am 3:20pm – 4:30pm
		24 <sup>th</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> September, 2018	8:30am – 9:00am 3:20pm – 4:30pm <i>* Other times can be arranged</i>
3-4B	Mr Bridge	17 <sup>th</sup> September – 20 <sup>th</sup> September, 2018	Before and after school
5-6S	Miss Schroder	24 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup> September, 2018	8:30am – 9:00am 3:30pm – 4:00pm
		27 <sup>th</sup> September, 2018	8:30am – 10:00am 2:30pm – 4:00pm
5-6C	Mr Checkley	24 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup> September, 2018	3:30pm – 4:30pm
		27 <sup>th</sup> September, 2018	8:30am – 9:30am 2:00pm – 3:00pm
5-6P	Mr Power	24 <sup>th</sup> September – 26 <sup>th</sup> September	8:45am – 9:15am 3:15pm – 5:30pm



# Regional Athletics Carnival



**Students who attended Regional Athletics  
at Glendale Sports Centre on**

**Friday 31st August, 2018**

So proud of all students for their  
sportsmanship and efforts.

Well done!

Miah G, Shanaya B, Lara R, Jazlyn L, Jayden B,  
Mitchell B, Lucas W, Tekani W, Jackson F, Max  
C, Tahlee R, Coby S, Sienna F (absent)

## HUNTER REGIONAL CRICKET TRIALS

Congratulations to Lara R for her excellent efforts in the Hunter Regional Cricket Trials. We are very excited to announce that Lara was successful and has been selected as a team member of the Hunter Cricket Team.

Well done, Lara and good luck!!!

## POSTPONEMENT

Unfortunately the Kindergarten Musical Extravaganza planned for the K-2 school assembly on 24th September, 2018 has been postponed. This performance will now be rescheduled for Term 4.

We apologise for any  
inconvenience.

## SCHOOL GATES

The **bottom field** gate has been re-opened for a trial period as we head into Spring and more children are back on their bikes and walking to and from school. Thank you to Miss Crossley who will open the gate in the morning and to staff who will walk children to the gate in the afternoon.

It would be helpful if you could let staff know if your family are intending on using this gate and the routine for drop off and pick up.

## YEAR 3-6 ASSEMBLY

MONDAY 17th SEPTEMBER, 2018

Commencing at 2.30pm  
in the SCHOOL HALL



## SCHOOL NOTES AND SCHOOL WEBSITE

During Term 3 we have been introducing our newly formatted permission and information notes and updated our school website. The purpose of the change is to provide more effective communication and engagement with parents/carers and the community. Permission notes are now printed so that information is easier to read and complete and includes the student's name and class. If a student is away when notes are handed out, the teacher will keep the note in the classroom until the child returns to school.

All notes are uploaded on to both the school APP and the school website, and dates are added to the calendars/events on the school APP, school website and Facebook page.

With the changes to our school website, all notes are now attached to an Event which is on the Home page under Upcoming Events. The new website **is now more user friendly** when connecting with your mobile device with the option for parents/carers to set an automatic reminder in their own calendar on their device by clicking on **Remind me (ICS 0.95 KB)**. Each Event also has the option to connect direct to Google Maps for the event location. The new school website address is <http://abermain-p.schools.nsw.gov.au>

## STRANGER DANGER

Today all classes have been reminded about stranger danger after recent media reports about a local incident. Please take the time to have a conversation at home with your child about what they should do if they are approached by a stranger.



Please come and check  
our lost property.

Currently we have lots of  
unclaimed clothing.

Thank you



### CCGPS SCHOOL CHOIR

The Cessnock Community of Great Public Schools (CCGPS) choir will be holding auditions for students currently in Years 3-6 on **Wednesday 19th September, 2018** at lunchtime. Enquiries can be made with Miss Gyler at the school.





The next P&C Meeting will be held  
on Monday 15th October, 2018  
beginning at 5.00pm.

*All welcome to attend.*



**NO PETS OR ANIMALS  
ALLOWED ON  
SCHOOL GROUNDS**

**EXCEPT TRAINED  
SERVICE ANIMALS**



**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](mailto:hunter@sherpa-kids.com.au)**

## **ABERMAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL PLAYGROUP**

Wednesdays during School Terms



For more information contact

Cheryl-Ann Leggatt Ph: 0414 625 872



## GENERAL

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|---|---------------------------------------|--|
| ◆ | <b>Monday 17th September, 2018</b>    | <b>Kinder Excursion - Oakvale Farm<br/>Years 3-6 Assembly - 2.30pm<br/>STEPS Transition - Cessnock High School</b> |
| ◆ | <b>17th - 27th September, 2018</b>    | <b>Term 3 - Reporting CONFERENCES</b>  |
| ◆ | <b>Wednesday 19th September, 2018</b> | <b>Stage 3 Solar Car Finals</b>  |
| ◆ | <b>Thursday 20th September, 2018</b>  | <b>Breakthrough Transition - Kurri Kurri High School<br/>Stories - 2.30pm</b>                                      |
| ◆ | <b>Friday 21st September, 2018</b>    | <b>"Clever Kids" 1.30 -3.00pm</b>  |
| ◆ | <b>Monday 24th September, 2018</b>    | <b>Years K-2 Assembly - 2:30pm</b>   |
| ◆ | <b>Friday 28th September, 2018</b>    | <b>Last Day Term 3</b>   |
| ◆ | <b>Monday 15th October, 2018</b>      | <b>Students return to school - Term 4<br/>P&amp;C Meeting</b>  |
| ◆ | <b>Thursday 1st November, 2018</b>    | <b>2019 Kindergarten Orientation</b>   |
| ◆ | <b>Thursday 8th November, 2018</b>    | <b>2019 Kindergarten Orientation</b>   |
| ◆ | <b>Thursday 15th November, 2018</b>   | <b>2019 Kindergarten Orientation</b>   |
| ◆ | <b>Thursday 22nd November, 2018</b>   | <b>2019 Kindergarten Orientation</b>   |

### 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.





## ADVERTISING

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by a Behavioural  
**OPTOMETRIST**  
specialising in children  
5/71 Maitland Street **Bulk Billed**  
**BRANXTON**  
**4938 1117**

Lake & Valley  
**OPTICAL**  
eyecare and eyewear



# COME and TRY DAY

**BBQ,  
GAMES  
& INFO**

**GIRLS, BOYS, JUNIORS & SENIORS**

**HAVE A GO. HAVE A BALL!  
SOFTBALL + TEE BALL**

**SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> AUG & SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup>  
SEPT**

**McKeachies Oval, 43A Redgum  
Circuit, Aberglasslyn 2320**

**10.30am – 1.30pm**

Maitland City Softball is now registering for 2018!  
With our accredited coaches running workshops on  
hitting, catching, throwing and basic softball drills.

Whether it's your first time or if you're a returning  
player to the game, head to our training grounds  
and have a go!

Email: [maitlandmeteors@gmail.com](mailto:maitlandmeteors@gmail.com)  
Web: [maitlandcitysoftball.weebly.com](http://maitlandcitysoftball.weebly.com)

 

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City Softball*