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## 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.**

## IMAGINATURALIST

Last week Stage 2 and 3 designed and constructed their own birds' nests. It was a challenging activity which required teamwork and creativity. Students used natural materials from around our school and local area to build some wonderful nests. They placed marble 'eggs' in the centre, and will observe the nests over the next week to test their durability.

Each group had to problem solve ways to make their nests stay together, and they came up with some innovative ideas. Students have a new appreciation for the clever engineering skills of birds!





# SPORTING NEWS

## CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to all students from K-6 who ran at our recent School Cross Country Carnival.

Well done to Lawson House who accumulated the most 'participation' points and great effort by Edgeworth House who took out the overall point score.

All students who have qualified to participate at the Cessnock Zone Cross Country on Friday 3rd May, 2019 have received their permission note and paperwork. This information should be completed and returned to the school office.

## PSSA ZONE AND REGIONAL TRIALS

Over the last few weeks students from our school have attended Regional trials for various sports.

### Congratulations to:

11 Years Boys Regional Rugby League Trials - Jackson, Traie

Boys Regional Soccer Trials - Mitchell Brown (well done on making the Possible and Probables selection)

This week these students will be attending further trials and we wish them good luck:

Girls Zone Touch Trials - Leshae and Sienna

Regional Girls Soccer - Leshae and Sienna

Zone Boys Touch Trials - Mitchell, Zealan, Jackson and Traie

## SPORTING SCHOOLS

In Term 2 students from K-6 will have the opportunity to participate in a program with a focus on gymnastics and athletic skills. This promises to be lots of fun for students building on skills generated this year. 'Sporting Schools' will also be involved in our Athletics Carnival (Thursday 23rd May, 2019) providing some exciting equipment for K-2 students to use during their tabloid session.





# 2019 CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS



**5 Year = Nyah-Marie and Isaac**  
**6 Year = Ainslee and Harley**  
**7 Year = Saige and Taite**  
**8/9 Year = Iyla and Jhett**  
**10 Year = Jorja and Angus**  
**11 Year = Leshae and Jackson**  
**12/13 Year = Amarli and Mitchell**





## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Congratulations to Mrs Marquet for her wonderful work in the office. This week Mr Lamph had the privilege of presenting Mrs Marquet with a Regional Executive Directors School Performance Award for her "Significant Contribution to Public Schools while reflecting the core values of the NSW Department of Education's Strategic Plan for 2018-2022." at Rutherford Technology High School. Mrs Marquet plays a significant role in our school in her preparation of the school newsletter and assistance with the implementation of our new finance and wellbeing systems. She brings beautiful big smiles to all the students that she attends to. Thanks Mrs Marquet for being such a wonderful person in our school and community.



This week teachers started Term 1 Progress Report Catch-ups with parents and carers. If you have not yet arranged to meet with your child's teacher could you please contact the office or your class teacher to arrange an appointment to discuss your child's progress and future. This is a great opportunity to pass on further information about your child.

During Weeks 10 and 11 students will be learning about our NEW exit procedures for the conclusion of the school day. We would like to remind all parents/carers that the teachers will be opening the gates at 3:15pm as they walk the children to the exit beginning Monday, Week 11. If you need to collect your child prior to this time you will need to come to the front office and sign your child out. The office gate will be open at all times during the day.

### **EASTER FESTIVITIES**

#### **LUNCH will be between 11:00am - 11:55am**

Parents/Carers are invited to have lunch with their children. The school canteen will not be available, however the P&C will be manning a BBQ with sausage sandwiches and drinks available for purchase on the day.

#### **EASTER HAT PARADE will start at 12 noon**

All students will be involved. Students will make their hats at school during the week. Your child's teacher will send home a note with suggestions about what is needed to make the hat.

#### **MONSTER EASTER RAFFLE**

Easter raffle will be drawn following the hat parade. Kindergarten parents/carers are asked to assist the P&C with the wrapping of raffle prizes and selling tickets on the day.

### **TERM 2 SDD**

Term 2 starts with a Staff Development Day (SDD) on Monday 29th April, 2019. Students will commence school in Term 2 on Tuesday 30th April, 2019. We hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable Easter Holiday.



## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT cont.

### **ANZAC DAY MARCHES**.- Thursday 25th April, 2019

This year's Abermain ANZAC March will depart from the Abermain Plaza Hall at 8:15am. Students wishing to attend the service should be in full school uniform and meet Mrs Sheldon and Mrs King at 8:00am at the Abermain Plaza Hall.

Please check with the teachers when collecting your child at the completion of the local service.

Our students have also been invited to march in the Cessnock ANZAC Parade as part of the Cessnock Community of Great Public Schools (CCGPS) at 11:15am. Students wishing to march in this parade should meet Mrs Gibbs and Mrs King between the Civic Centre and Peden's Hotel at 11:00am. Students will march to the cenotaph and attend the Cessnock ANZAC service. All parents/carers should check with the teachers at the conclusion of the service to collect their children.

### **P&C MEETING**

A reminder that our next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 8th April, 2019 at 5pm in the school library. We will be happy to discuss any feedback around the end of day gate procedures. Remember that during General Business you have an opportunity to open discussion about topics that you wish to seek clarification. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Ian Lamph and Debbie Bower  
Principals

## **NAPLAN Online Update - Years 3 and 5 only**

NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy – important skills that each child needs to succeed in school and life. The NAPLAN tests are designed to help us make sure students are on track with their literacy and numeracy development. Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 participate in NAPLAN tests for reading, writing, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

Between Tuesday 14th May Friday 17th May, 2019, our school will participate in NAPLAN Online. Students do not need to be computer experts to take the NAPLAN test online. Making sure students have computer skills is part of our school curriculum, and our teachers will ensure your child is familiar with the online format. To see the types of questions and interactive features of NAPLAN Online, visit [the public demonstration site](#).

If you have any questions about NAPLAN Online, please contact your child's teacher.





# WHAT'S ON IN PBL GATES! GATES! GATES!

Over the next week the PBL Team will be busy refining a new afternoon procedure after concerns about student safety were raised at a recent P&C Meeting. Over the next two weeks students will participate in PBL lessons dedicated to learning the new procedures.

Please keep an eye out in our school Newsletter and on Facebook to ensure you are up to date with changes to after school pick up procedures. New procedures will be trialled in Week 11. We welcome your feedback, so any suggestions you have around how we can improve our systems to increase safety for your children would be greatly appreciated.

2019 HOUSE LEADER AND STUDENT LEADER GROUP PHOTOS ARE AVAILABLE TO ORDER FOR \$10 AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE. PHOTOS WILL ALSO BE ON DISPLAY IN THE FOYER UNTIL MONDAY 8TH APRIL, 2019.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JAYLEN, WHO ENTERED AN ONLINE ART COMPETITION THIS MONTH AND WAS AWARDED FIRST PRIZE.

AN INCREDIBLE ACHIEVEMENT!





## TERM ONE—Reporting Catch - ups

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

**2019 will see us once again provide an opportunity to catch up each term** 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 **'Progress Report/ Learning Plan'** for Term 1.

If you are unable to catch up personally this Term, the opportunity will again arise each Term and the **'Progress Report/ Learning 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	Monday 8/4/2019 Tuesday 9/4/2019	3:30pm - 4:30pm 9.15am - 11.00am
KT	Miss Trotter	Monday 8/4/2019 Tuesday 9/4/2019	3:30pm - 5:30pm 3.30pm - 5.30pm
1W	Mrs Wright	Monday 8/4/2019	8:30am - 11.00am 2.30pm - 4.30pm
1C	Miss Cartwright	Monday 8/4/2019	8:30am - 11.00am 2.30pm - 4.00pm
2A	Mrs Roberson Mrs McLennan	Wednesday 10/4/2019	8:30am - 11.00am 2.30pm - 4.00pm
2R	Miss Roswell	Wednesday 10/4/2019	8:30am - 11.00am 2.30pm - 4.00pm
3-4W	Miss Williams	Monday 1/4/2019 Monday 1/4/2019 Tuesday 2/4/2019 Wednesday 3/4/2019	8:30am - 9.15am 3.30pm - 4.30pm 8.30am - 9.15am 8.30am - 9.30am
3-4E	Mrs Hedley /Mrs Percy	Wednesday 3/4/2019	8:45am - 11.00am 2:30pm - 4:30pm
4/5P	Mr Power	Monday 8/4/2019 to Wednesday 10/4/2019	Before and after school
5-6G	Miss Gyler	Monday 8/4/2019 Thursday 11/4/2019	8:30am - 9.00am 3.20pm - 4.20pm
5-6MB	Mrs McGee/ Mrs Britton	Monday 8/4/2019 Thursday 11/4/2019	3:30pm - 4:30pm 8:15am - 9.15am 3.30pm - 4.30pm
6B	Mr Bridge	Monday 8/4/2019 to Thursday 11/4/2019	8:30am - 9:00am 3:30pm - 4:30pm



### **INTENTION TO APPLY FOR YEAR 5 ENTRY TO AN OPPORTUNITY CLASS IN 2020**

Applications for Year 5 entry to an Opportunity Class in 2020 will be available online from Tuesday 30th April, 2019 to Friday 17th May, 2019. Notes with further information will be sent home with all Year 4 students next week. For detailed instructions on how to apply online please visit the application website <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

## **P&C NEWS**

### **EASTER HAT PARADE:**

Raffle Tickets are due back at the school by Wednesday 10th April.

There will be tickets available for purchase on the day of the Easter Hat Parade.

#### **BBQ Prices**

Sausage Sandwiches 4.00

Drinks \$2.00

#### **Help Required**

Please contact P&C Secretary, Cheryl-Ann Leggatt, on 0414 625 872 or the P&C via the Abermain Public School P&C Facebook page if you can help with any of the following:

Kindergarten parents/carers that could assist in selling tickets on the day from 11am and assist with the wrapping of raffle prizes on Wednesday 10th April, 2019 at 1pm in the Hall.

Anyone that could help setting up at 9.30am for the BBQ on the day or serving from 11am.

### **P&C MEETING:**

All are welcome on Monday 8th April, 2019 at 5pm for the P&C meeting in the Library. Cost to join is \$2. (You can still come along even if you don't join, you are just unable to vote.)

#### **Items to be discussed so far:**

Mothers Day

Feedback so far on the end of day gate procedures

If you have anything else you would like raised, please come along! If you are not able to attend you can send a message to P&C Secretary, Cheryl-Ann Leggatt, on 0414 625 872.



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Cheryl-Ann Leggatt  
[abermainschoolpandc@gmail.com](mailto:abermainschoolpandc@gmail.com)

## Good for Kids good for life

### GREAT CHOICE HEALTHY SCHOOL CANTREEN

We are excited to share that our school canteen is now a leader in providing a healthy food service to our students and staff. Our menu has been recognised as a "Great Choice Healthy School Canteen" meaning that it meets the NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy.

A big thanks goes to our Canteen Manager/ P&C Committee/ Canteen Committee for all your hard work in reviewing our school canteen menu. Please support our canteen by ordering lunch and/or recess or volunteering in the canteen.



Health  
Hunter New England  
Local Health District

[HNEHLD-GoodForKids@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au](mailto:HNEHLD-GoodForKids@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au)  
<http://www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au/>

## CANTEEN REPORT

The report into our canteen menu has come back and I am happy to say we have a rating of 87% which means we are a very healthy canteen. Special thanks to Renee from Healthy Kids, Ian Lamph, Shan Wade and the other volunteers who have had an input into this menu. So we can encourage more healthy eating by our students we will be holding a "taste testing" day with Years K-2 next Tuesday 9th April and Years 3-6 on Wednesday 10th April. Students will have the opportunity to taste the new items on the menu and then as a class complete a survey so we can see which items might become popular.

The new menu will not commence until we are in our new canteen. Updated menus will be sent home with students once we have moved into the new canteen.

As the term comes to an end from all in the canteen, have a great holiday and Happy Easter.

Michelle Robards  
P&C Canteen Supervisor

## ABERMAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL PLAYGROUP

Wednesdays during School Terms

9.30am – 11.00am

**ALL WELCOME!**

For more information contact

Cheryl-Ann Leggatt Ph: 0414 625 872



# WALK A MILE CESSNOCK STYLE

'Walk a Mile Cessnock Style' will be held Wednesday 20th November 2019. The aim of the event is to raise awareness of domestic violence in our local community. This is a White Ribbon Awareness day. It is envisaged that all sections of community will come together and walk united in response to this pressing issue. After the walk there will be numerous activities for the community to participate in.



## News Announcement: Term 2 Music Bus Enrolments Now Open + Free Trial Lessons

The Music Bus are now taking new student enrolments for Term 2! The program is open for all students from Kindergarten to Year 6. The Music Bus have limited availability in Singing, Keyboard, Guitar, Drums and Ukulele lessons so it is advised to enrol asap.

From now until the end of term, The Music Bus are giving all new students 1 Free Trial Lesson in an instrument of choice so be sure to take this opportunity to try out the service if you haven't already.

Keep in mind The Music Bus is now a registered Creative Kids provider, a government initiative where every family in NSW with school aged children is eligible for a \$100 voucher towards lessons in 2019. This is the perfect opportunity to enrol and save almost an entire term's worth of fees. To download your voucher, simply visit [www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-creative-kids-voucher](http://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-creative-kids-voucher) then call 1300 168 742 or email [creativekids@themusicbus.com.au](mailto:creativekids@themusicbus.com.au) to enrol.

If you're interested in your child having music lessons through The Music Bus or to book a Free trial lesson, check out their website at [www.themusicbus.com.au](http://www.themusicbus.com.au) or call 1300 168 742.

## ALCOHOL & DRUG EDUCATION & HARM MINIMISATION

FREE EVENT  
for  
EVERYONE

Access  
information &  
resources

How do you  
engage  
people in  
alcohol & drug  
conversations?

Who are the  
local services  
that can  
help?

Thursday 9th May  
8.30 am- 4.00pm  
CESSNOCK PCYC  
1b Short St, Cessnock

Registration  
essential

Strategies for managing  
drug-related crisis



email  
Gail Easton  
Alcohol & Drug Foundation  
M:0478 069 912  
E: [gail.easton@adf.org.au](mailto:gail.easton@adf.org.au)





## VOLUNTEERS

If you would like to volunteer at our school during 2019 please ensure you have been to the office to complete a 2019 Volunteer Policy Agreement and an Appendix 5 or Appendix 11. Both of these forms need to be completed before commencing volunteer work at Abermain Public School.



A REMINDER  
THAT THERE IS  
TO BE NO  
SMOKING  
WITHIN 30  
METRES OF  
OUR SCHOOL

## STUDENT ABSENCES

*SMS texts will be sent between 9.45am and 10.00am each day to inform that an absence has been recorded for their child. Parents/carers can explain the absence either by SMS text, in person, by phone, school email or a letter to the class teacher. **ALL absences must be explained within seven (7) school days.***

*If you are having attendance issues with your child, please contact the school so we can work together to improve their attendance at school.*

## MEDICATIONS

If your child requires non-prescribed or intermittent medication administered at school parents/carers must complete a medication form which can be obtained from the school office. This form requires specific details of medication and health management.

FOR THE SAFETY OF **ALL** CHILDREN MEDICATIONS MUST BE HANDED TO THE OFFICE BY PARENTS/CARERS. MEDICATIONS ARE **NOT** TO BE HANDED TO THE STUDENT TO BRING TO OR FROM SCHOOL.

## EARLY LEAVERS

Parents/Carers are reminded to visit the school office if they want to sign their children out early before the end of the school day. Office staff will then contact the relevant class to request students to come up to the office. Parents/Carers are encouraged to advise their child's teacher or the office staff at the start of the school day if they require their child to be picked up at a particular time so that the student can be reminded to come up to the office at that time. **To avoid delays, parents/carers are asked not to come during lunch and recess as they will be asked to wait until students return to class.**

Please note: only parents/carers and those listed on the emergency contact list will be allowed to collect students early. If you would like someone who is not listed as your child's emergency contact to collect your child, please contact the school to advise the name of this person.





## ABERMAIN STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY BOOKING FORM:

Family Name:  
Address:  
Email address:  
Childrens Names:

Child 1:  
Child 2:  
Child 3:

	Activity	Fees
Monday 29th April, 2019	<b>BIKE AND SCOOTER DAY!!!</b> Bring your bike or scooter and the most important items, closed in shoes and your helmet. Create your own course, have races and enjoy riding with your peers. <b>BREAKFAST AND AFTERNOON TEA ARE PROVIDED!!</b>	\$60

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Contact Ph. No: \_\_\_\_\_

### CONDITIONS

1. All fees need to be paid seven days after invoice. Fees are payable for days booked, irrespective of attendance. We have a NO REFUND or CANCELLATION policy once the holidays start.
2. No swapping of days once holiday has started, only adding on days is allowed.
3. Our service is open daily from **7.00am to 6.30pm**. We are unable to provide care outside of these hours. A late fee of \$5 per 15 minutes or part thereof per child will apply for children collected after 6.30pm.
4. Excursions. Staffing will be based on risk assessment. In the event where these activities are cancelled, service based activities will be offered.
5. Sherpa Kids does not accept any liability for personal injury, property damage, personal items (including jewellery, glasses and electronic devices) or any loss sustained by any child when attending the Vacation Care Program due to any cause whatsoever unless this has been caused by proven negligence of the independently owned operator. I have read, understood and approved the information, policies and procedures on this form, the enrolment form, parent handbook and centre policies and procedures.

### What do children need each day?

1. Pack each child morning tea and lunch for all days unless indicated otherwise on the program. Afternoon tea is provided every day.
2. Dress children in appropriate clothing & footwear for activities and bring a broad brimmed hat. No hat, no play!
3. Bring a water drink bottle every day or even two on hot days.

### Return completed Booking form to:

Elaine McCourt

0410 647 153

Sherpa Kids OSHC or

hunter@sherpa-kids.com.au

Monday Easter Monday	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	
Tuesday 23rd April, 2019	<b>Bike and Scooter Day!!!</b> Bring your bike or scooter and the most important item, your helmet. Enclosed shoes are a must. Create your own course, have races and enjoy riding with your peers.	\$60
Wednesday 24th April, 2019	<b>Puffy paint and picture day!!</b> Paint and create with PVA Glue, slime might be available to the most creative. Design the award winning prize picture of Sherpa Vacation Care.	\$60
Thursday 25th April, 2019	<b>ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	
Friday 26th April, 2019	<b>BINGO AND PIZZA DAY!!!</b> Lets Play bingo and other games to chill before school is back. Enjoy some free play with your friends, outdoor play and indoor play, Create your own pizza and enjoy with your peers.	\$60

**CONTACT OUR PROGRAM DIRECTOR ELAINE @**  
**hunter@sherpa-kids.com.au OR 0410647153**

Complete an enrolment form for each child to attend  
Includes breakfast and afternoon tea  
Hours of operation  
6.30am-6.30pm  
Excursion days there will be strict drop off times.



## Sherpa Kids Holy Spirit Vacation Care Booking Form

### Fees Per Day

Service Based \$60	Excursion \$75	Incursion \$75
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**Bookings** (please tick the box each day the child will be attending)

<b>CHILD 1</b>	Family Name:	First Name:	Age:
DOB:	CRN:	School:	
DATE:	MON 15/04	TUE 16/04	WED 17/04
			THUR 18/04
DATE:		TUE 23/04	WED 24/04
			FRI 26/04
<b>CHILD 2</b>	Family Name:	First Name:	Age:
DOB:	CRN:	School:	
DATE:	MON 15/04	TUE 16/04	WED 17/04
			THUR 18/04
DATE:		TUE 23/04	WED 24/04
			FRI 26/04
<b>CHILD 3</b>	Family Name:	First Name:	Age:
DOB:	CRN:	School:	
DATE:	MON 15/04	TUE 16/04	WED 17/04
			THUR 18/04
DATE:		TUE 23/04	WED 24/04
			FRI 26/04

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Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Contact Ph. No: \_\_\_\_\_



## SHERPA KIDS Holy Spirit Vacation Care Program

Service cost: \$60 (Child Care Subsidy will apply) \$75 for incursions and excursions  
Note: This is just a general guide. Activities are subject to change depending on numbers, weather, staff ratio, etc.

Activity/Location	Activity Description	Cost
Monday 15th April, 2019	<b>Minute to win it Day!!</b> Lots of games in a minute challenge. Be in it to win it ping pong, obstacle course, ball challenges, croquet.	\$60
Tuesday 16th April, 2019	<b>CRAZY SCIENCE DAY!!</b> Science experiments, butter in a jar, magic milk, volcanos and sink or float. Bring your ideas and lets experiment together.	\$60
Wednesday 17th April, 2019	<b>Sherpa Chef!!!</b> Cooking at its best, lots of fun dishes to eat and create. Biscuits, cakes, lunch what can we eat today.	\$60
Thursday 18th April, 2019	<b>Easter Egg Craft and Hunt!!!</b> Lots of bunny and egg fun, see who can find the most eggs and who can create the best easter craft. Colour eggs and lots of easter fun!!	\$60
Friday Good Friday	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	



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| ♦ Monday 8th April, 2019    | P&C Meeting - 5:00pm  |
| ♦ Friday 12th April, 2019   | Easter Hat Parade<br>Abermain Mission Hall presentation<br>Last day of Term 1   |
| ♦ Thursday 25th April, 2019 | ANZAC Day marches   |
| ♦ Monday 29th April, 2019   | Staff Development Day   |
| ♦ Tuesday 30th April, 2019  | Students return to commence Term 2<br>Applications for 2020 Opportunity available online<br>from today until 17th May, 2019 |
| ♦ Friday 3rd May, 2019      | Zone Cross Country  |
| ♦ Tuesday 14th May, 2019    | NAPLAN Online - Years 3 and 5 students  |
| ♦ Wednesday 15th May, 2019  | NAPLAN Online - Years 3 and 5 students  |
| ♦ Thursday 16th May, 2019   | NAPLAN Online - Years 3 and 5 students  |
| ♦ Friday 17th May, 2019     | NAPLAN Online - Years 3 and 5 students  |
| ♦ Thursday 23rd May, 2019   | Athletics Carnival  |

**DUE TO THE RENOVATIONS TO OUR HALL THERE WILL BE NO  
ASSEMBLIES HELD DURING TERM 2.**

SCHOOL WEBSITE

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

SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE

**Abermain Public School**

*NOTES WILL NOT BE REPRINTED AT SCHOOL. COPIES OF NOTES  
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## ADVERTISING

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**Fridays**  
22<sup>nd</sup> Feb to 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2019  
10.00am – 12.00 noon  
at  
**Koe-nara**  
*In the grounds of Cessnock Public School*

Discussions may include:

- \* Finding beauty in the moment
- \* Slowing down and creating space
- \* Are there alternatives to "there's not enough time"
- \* Prioritising what really matters

Free children's activities &  
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- Is a user friendly visually based approach to helping parents and carers better understand the needs of their children

**Facilitators:** Margaret Ridgway  
Jane Hodgson  
Circle of Security Registered Parent Educators


**Dates & Times:** **Wednesdays, 13th February – 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019**  
9.45 arrival

**Venue:** Koe-Nara, Cessnock Public School  
Cnr Rawson & Quarrybylong Streets  
Cessnock


Places are strictly limited and you must be registered to attend.

**Limited FREE children's group available.** If you have a younger baby who is not mobile and would like to attend please discuss this with Margaret or Jane.

**To register contact:**  
Margaret Ridgway Family Care Cottage 4939 2530  
Jane Hodgson Koe-Nara 4990 9354



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Local Health Network



**Term 1 2019**

<b>MONDAY</b> Supported playgroup at Koe-nara from 10 to 12	<b>THURSDAY</b> Supported Playgroup at Cessnock East Public from 9 to 11
<b>TUESDAY</b> Supported playgroup at Koe-nara from 10 to 12	<b>FRIDAY</b> Stress-Less Parenting a group to talk about the challenges of parenting and how to look after yourself with Family Support Newcastle Feb 22 to March 22 10 to 12 Children's activities provided Please call and book your spot
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Stories @ Bunnings 10.30 to 12 Feb 27, March 27	

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