



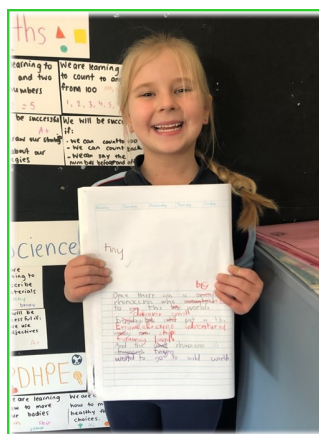
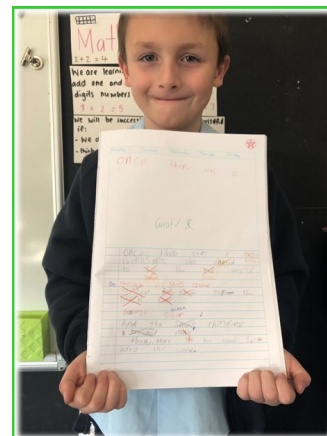
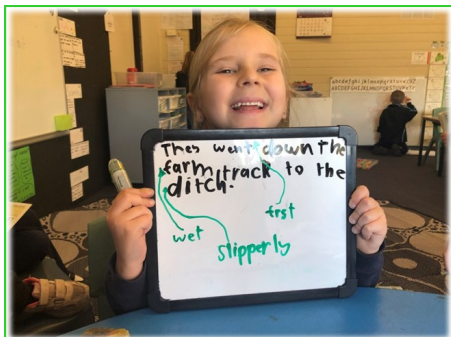
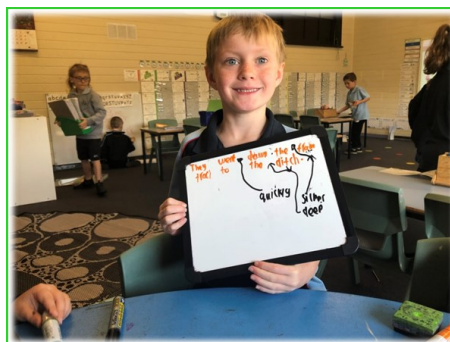
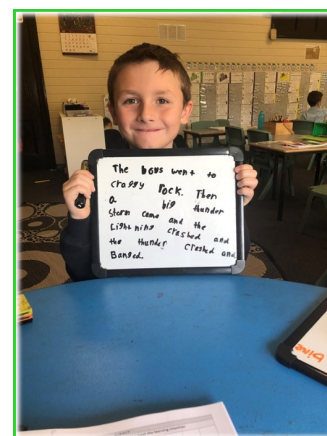
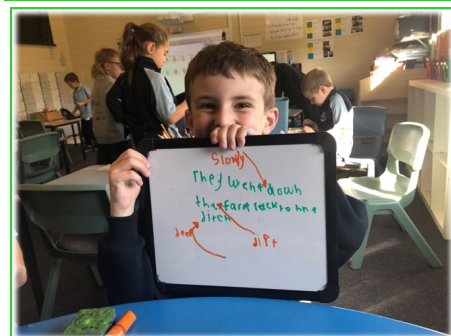
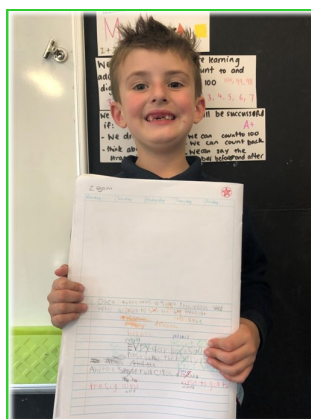
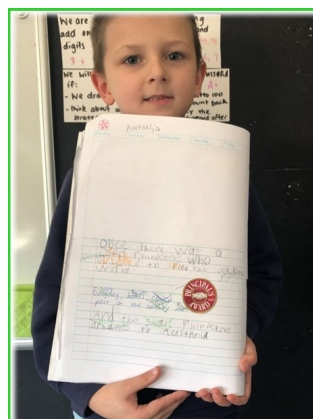
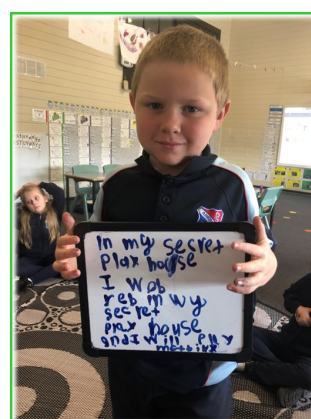
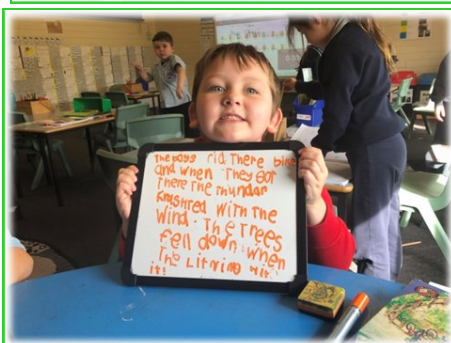
SAFE, RESPECTFUL LEARNERS



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.

SOME GREAT WRITING EXAMPLES FROM 1C





SPORTING NEWS

ZONE ATHLETICS

Congratulations to the 34 students from Abermain Public School who attended and participated in the Cessnock Zone PSSA Athletics Carnival held on Friday 2nd August at Turner Park.

It was absolutely wonderful to see our students competing to the best of their ability against other students from across our zone. There were many students competing for the first time at this level and some produced personal best times and effort.

Throughout the day students from Abermain displayed wonderful sportsmanship and respect towards others. Thank you to all the parents/carers and family members who attended and cheered along each student in their events, and to Jarcarna Bain-Fenton for her continued support of our school and her amazing relay coaching. It is the first time a school relay team has actually won at Zone for many, many years. Congratulations to the Senior Boys Team!!

Below are the students who have qualified to compete at the Regional Athletics Carnival on Friday 30th August, 2019 held at Glendale.

School Results:

Girls:

Jorja 1st Junior Shot Put
Mya 1st Junior Long Jump
Keeley 1st 8yr 100m (para event)

Boys:

Levii 3rd Junior Long Jump
Jackson 1st 11 yrs 1500m & 3rd 11yrs 800m
Traie 1st 11 yrs 800m
Mitchell 1st 12yrs 100m & 2nd 12/13yr 200m
Lucas 1st 13yrs 100m & 1st 12/13yrs 800m

Relays:

Junior Girls Relay 3rd heat
Senior Girls Relay 3rd heat
Senior Boys Relay 1st (Traie, Lucas, Zealan Mitchell)



**GOOD LUCK AT
REGIONAL**



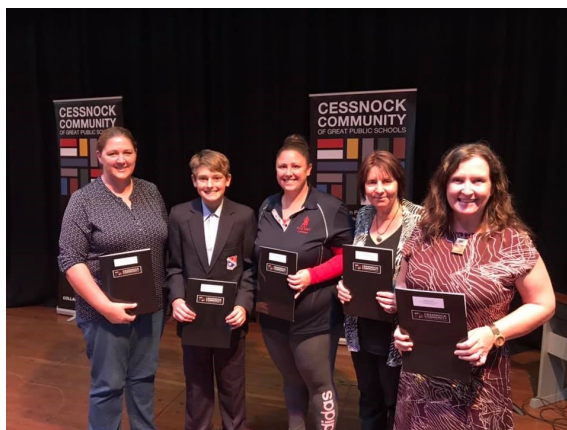
PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Wow!! We cannot believe we are heading into Week 5 of Term 3! We have had so many exciting things happening in such a short period of time. It is therefore important to stay informed through this newsletter and our website.

2019 Education Week

Congratulations to all of the award recipients both here at school and at the Regional Ceremony at Mount View High School .

Tracy Toner -	Outstanding contribution by a School Community Member
Harrison Fitzgerald -	Excellence in Student Achievement
Shan Wade -	Outstanding contribution by a School Community Member
Teresa Sheldon -	Excellence in Teaching
Gillian Hewitt -	Imaginaturalist, School Achievement Award (School Program)



School Uniform Policy update

On Monday night at the P&C meeting, as a community group, we discussed the implementation of the new School Uniform Policy that has just been released by the Department of Education. Detailed in the policy are the following requirements:

Responsibility of the school:

1.3 Schools expect students to wear the uniform during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when engaged in school activities out of school hours.

1.11 Schools must advise parents on how they can access financial support if they are unable to purchase uniform items. To assist families, schools should organise facilities such as clothing pools.

Responsibility of parent and carers:

4.2 Provide their child/children with a school uniform that meets the schools' uniform requirements and raise any concerns with the Principal.



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT continued.

Responsibility of students:

4.3 Wear a school uniform that meets the schools' uniform requirements.

The majority of our students do wear their uniform with pride which creates a sense of real belonging for them. We will continue to encourage all parents/carers and students to actively support the implementation of the "School Uniform Policy". **Please note that the school can assist families with financial support.**

The link below has a full copy of the policy for your reading and understanding.

Link to Uniform Policy - <https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/school-uniform-policy>

Staff Development Day (SDD)

The school's teaching staff will be off site on Monday 19th August, 2019 in order to attend Professional Training and Development. Therefore, parents/carers have been asked to make arrangements for their child's/children's care on this day. This day was scheduled in place of the usual day one SDD.

Classroom Relocation

On Tuesday 20th August, 2019, following the completion of our new classroom space, several classes will be relocating as follows:

- ◆ Kindergarten (KT and KS) will both move into the new space which was 3/4W old room
- ◆ 3/4W will move from the back of the canteen into KT classroom
- ◆ 5/6MB will be moving from the library into KS classroom

This will allow for our whole library space to be once again available to all classes. Please discuss these changes with your child and if you feel there will be any issues please contact the school.

Book Week / Book Parade

A reminder for all students and parents/carers, that Book Week is next week, 20th - 22nd August, 2019. The Book Parade will be held on Thursday 22nd August, 2019 at 12:05pm following the picnic lunch. Each student is encouraged to come dressed as their favourite book character. It is always a fun time for the parents/carers and students.

Ian Lamph and Debbie Bower
Principals



VISIT FROM BOEING

To encourage Abermain students' hobbies, skills and creativity the school offers interest groups at lunch and recess throughout the week. One of these interest groups is Paper Plane making which is open to all K-6 students.

On Wednesday 31st of July, 2019 we had a visit from Nick from Boeing Defence Australia. He shared his knowledge with us about how planes are built, how they fly and was able to show us a great Paper Plane design that the students then had a go at making. The most exciting part was testing the flight length of the plane. We will continue to make and test Paper Planes during Term 3.



BOOK PARADE

Students will participate in the

Book Parade

on

THURSDAY 22nd AUGUST, 2019

commencing at 12:05pm

Parents/Carers are welcome to join us for a
Picnic Lunch or P&C Pre-Ordered Lunch
between 11am-11:55am

Please note the canteen will not be taking lunch orders on the day, however they will have drinks and packets of chips available

BOOK FAIR

Opening Times

Tuesday 20th August, 2019 between 8:45am - 9:10am

Wednesday 21st August, 2019 between 8:45am - 9:10am

Thursday 22nd August, 2019 between 8:45am - 11:55am,
then from 1pm after the Book Parade

FATHER'S DAY



FRIDAY, 30th August, 2019

FATHER'S DAY STEM AFTERNOON TEA

To celebrate Father's Day we will be holding a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Afternoon Tea in each of our classrooms between 2pm - 3pm. Please feel free to join your children at recess (1:30pm - 2pm) prior to classroom visits.

P&C FATHER'S DAY STALL

This year the Father's Day Stall will be held on Friday 30th August, 2019. Students will be able to purchase items priced from \$1 to \$10. Please remember to send money in with your child.

Students who will be participating at the Regional Athletics Carnival on Friday, will have an opportunity to purchase items on Thursday 29th August, 2019.

P&C FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE

Raffle tickets will be sent home with students. Tickets are \$1, with various prizes to be won. The raffle will be drawn on Friday 30th August, 2019.



ANTARCTIC BUS

On Tuesday 13th August, 2019 some classes from Abermain were involved in visiting the Antarctic Bus. Two scientists came to visit and talk to us about science, renewable energy and chemicals. Some of the students from 3/4E wrote about what they learnt.

Over 200 million years ago, all the countries were originally joined together and you could drive to Asia from Australia.

Jye and Emmerson

I learnt that when all of the earth came apart, Antarctica stayed in the same place.

Tyrone

The biggest penguin in the world is the Emperor Penguin.

Tyra-Lea

People cannot touch the penguins because penguins are very clean animals and if we touch them they might get a disease.

Lucas

Water is h₂o which means two parts hydrogen and one part oxygen.

Ashleigh

There are 17 types of penguins and only 4 live in Antarctica.

Emily

If all of the ice melts in Antarctica, the sea level would rise 273 feet.

Brock

Antarctica is twice the size of Australia.

Trinity

Thank you CASE (Cessnock Academy of Stem Excellence).





WHAT'S ON IN PBL

FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS

This week across the school our PBL focus has been FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS.

Students are being reminded that following instructions is important no matter where we are. Following instructions keep us safe, helps us learn and is important in helping us to get on with others.

Talk to your children about following instructions. Remind them to...

- listen carefully
- look at the person talking to you
- do as you are asked quickly and carefully

A wonderful story written by Adam in 1C



Hidden in a drain in Newcastle, under the centre of the earth, is a forest with treasure.

In the hidden chest there were diamonds and emeralds and iron.

There was a humongous snake guarding the treasure. You have to fight the snake to get the treasure.

TERM 3 STAFF

DEVELOPMENT DAY

**Monday 19th August, 2019 will be
the Staff Development Day for
Term 3, 2019.**

Students do not attend on this day.

TERM 3 ASSEMBLY DATES

Kindy 26/08/2019

Year 1 to Year 2 02/09/2019

Year 3 to Year 4 09/09/2019

Year 5 to Year 6 16/09/2019

(held on the DOTS - 2.30pm)



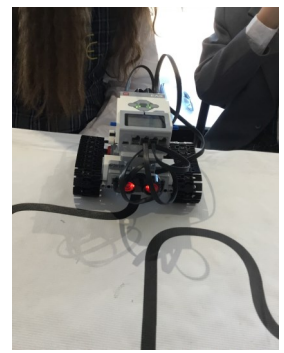
SHOWCASE

On Thursday 8th August, 2019 Mr Checkley and 3 students went to the 'SHOWCASE' at the Cessnock Performing Arts Centre. This was put on to show the community the amazing work that the local schools had done from being a part of the Cessnock Academy of Stem Excellence (CASE).

There were sumo robots, a moon rover, virtual reality and lots of other exciting things to see. We also got to see a science show by Fizzics Education where they did lots of fun and exciting experiments, including using a bell jar to create a vacuum, making elephant toothpaste which was huge, and giant explosions which sent colourful balls high into the air.

We were there to showcase the work we have done with Gillian and her Imaginaturalist program. It was a small stall but we had a lot of people come over to our stall to look at what we did and listen to our experience.

Will T 5/6MB

**HUNTER INTER-SCHOOLS PUBLIC SPEAKING (ZONE FINALS)****EARLY STAGE 1 (Kindergarten)**

Monday 26th August, 2019 at Black Hill Public School - 9.20am

STAGE 3 (Year 5 - 6)

Tuesday 27th August, 2019 at King Street Public School - 9.30am

STAGE 2 (Year 3 - 4)

Wednesday 28th August, 2019 at King Street Public School - 9.3AM

STAGE 1 (Year 1 - 2)

Thursday 29th August, 2019 at Bellbird Public School - 9.30am

GOOD LUCK TO AINSLEE, ALYSSA, LAYLA, EMMA, MAX, TAYLA, THOMAS & HAYLEIGH



ABERMAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL

Kindergarten 2020

IS YOUR CHILD TURNING 5 YEARS OF AGE ON OR BEFORE
31st JULY, 2020?

Families wishing to enrol their child in Kindergarten at Abermain Public School in 2020 are asked to contact the school now on **4930 4210** to register their interest.

2020 Kindergarten Orientation will commence in Term 4, 2019. Information regarding Orientation will be sent to all registered families at the beginning of Term 4.

Non-Local Primary School Placement

Parents/Carers may seek to enrol their child in a school that is not within their zone, although this is reliant on space within the school and the reasons for enrolment. First contact should be made with your locally zoned school before any out of zone enquiry can be processed.

Parents/Carers wishing to apply for non-local placement at Abermain Public School in 2020 should complete an "application for non-local enrolment" form which includes reasons for seeking non-local enrolment. This application must be returned to the school before 1st July, 2019 (end of Term 2). Applications will then be reviewed by the non-local placement panel in consultation with the school Principal. Parents/Carers will be informed of the success of their application by 1st September, 2019 (Term 3 – Week 7).



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

**DATE: Every Thursday
from 15th August, 2019
to 19th September, 2019**

TIME: 2-3pm
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/carers, 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 49 304210 TO REGISTER**

CANBERRA 2019

**A reminder that there will
be another meeting for
parents/carers to discuss
Canberra excursion on
Tuesday 20th August,
2019 at 3.30pm.**

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



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.

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.**

**THIS INCLUDES
VAPING AND E
CIGARETTES**

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.**

**“SAVE THE DATE”**ABERMAIN MISSION HALL CHURCH &
ABERMAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C PRESENT...
CAROLS
BY CANDLELIGHTLocation:
ABERMAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL**MONDAY 9TH DECEMBER, 2019 AT 6PM**

Gold Coin Donation

Food & Drinks available throughout the night

Visit from Santa

Fireworks at 9pm

**ABERMAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL STAFF DEVELOPMENT
BOOKING FORM**Family Name:
Address:
Email address:
Childrens Names:Child 1:
Child 2:
Child 3:

	Activity	Fees
Monday 19th August, 2019	CUPCAKE DECORATING DAY!!! Cook cupcakes and decorate them any way you like. Chocolate spiders will also be made and enjoyed. See what other delights can be created. BREAKFAST AND AFTERNOON TEA ARE PROVIDED!!	\$60

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Parent/Guardian Signature: _____
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 a week before the date.
2. Our service is open daily from **7.00am to 6.00pm**. 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 6.00pm.
3. Excursions. Staffing will be based on risk assessment. In the event where these activities are cancelled, service based activities will be offered.
4. 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 153Sherpa Kids OSHC or
hunter@sherpa-kids.com.au**A.E.C.G
General Meeting****Monday 19th August 19**
St Philips CC
3.30pm for a prompt 4pm start**RSVP:** Thurs 15th August**Contact:**St Philip's CC
Phone: 4007 5000

or

Stephanie AECG Secretary
0410 303538
s.earl@bigpond.net.au**A.E.C.G
General Meeting****Agenda**Name of school/person
.....Agenda topic
.....**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**



♦	Friday 16th August, 2019	Cessnock High School Taster Lessons
♦	Monday 19th August, 2019	Staff Development Day - Students do not attend school AECG General Meeting - 4.00pm
♦	Tuesday 20th August, 2019	Book Fair, 8.45am - 9.10am Canberra meeting - 3.30pm
♦	Wednesday 21st August, 2019	Book Fair, 8.45am - 9.10am
♦	Thursday 22nd August, 2019	Book Fair and Book Parade Clever Kids, 2-3pm
♦	Monday 26th August, 2019	Kindergarten Assembly - 2.30pm Early Stage 1 (Kindergarten) Zone Public Speaking - Black Hill Public School
♦	Tuesday 27th August, 2019	Stage 3 (Year 5 - 6) Zone Public Speaking - Singleton Public School
♦	Wednesday 28th August, 2019	Stage 2 (Year 3 - 4) Zone Public Speaking - Singleton Public School
♦	Thursday 29th August, 2019	Stage 1 (Year 1 - 2) Zone Public Speaking - Bellbird Public School Clever Kids, 2-3pm Father's Day Stall (for students attending Regional Athletics only)
♦	Friday 30th August, 2019	Father's Day Stall, STEM Afternoon Tea and Raffle drawn Regional Athletics Carnival Cessnock High School Taster Lessons, No. 2
♦	Monday 2nd September, 2019	Stage 1 (Year 1 - 2) Assembly - 2.30pm
♦	Thursday 5th September, 2019	Clever Kids, 2-3pm
♦	Monday 9th September, 2019	Stage 2 (Year 3 - 4) Assembly - 2.30pm
♦	Monday 16th September, 2019	Stage 3 (Year 5 - 6) Assembly - 2.30pm
♦	Tuesday 24th September, 2019 to Friday 27th September	Stage 3 (Year 5 - 6) Canberra Excursion
♦	Thursday 27th September, 2019	Last day of Term 3



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
CAN BE OBTAINED ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE.***



PUN FOR FUN
Art Competition!

Are you a Primary School Student?
CREATE A PIECE OF ART THAT TELLS A FUNNY JOKE!
& you could win up to \$250 RIOT! art supplies
vouchers for your school or homeschool group.

JUDGES: **TIM & JUDY SHARP**
'LASER BEAK MAN'
WILL BE CHOOSING
THEIR 3 FAVOURITE
ARTWORKS TO WIN

WINNING PRIZES:
DONATED BY 'THE SENSORY CLINIC'
1ST \$250 RIOT! ART & CRAFT
2ND \$150
3RD \$100 GIFT VOUCHERS
Gift vouchers will be allocated to the winning student's school
to the value of the prize. Prizes are not redeemable for cash.

SUBMIT YOUR ARTWORK
to 'The Sensory Clinic' Maitland or 'Baird Real Estate' Cessnock
by 2nd of September 2019.
One entry per student. Each entry needs to be A4 size & have your Name,
Age, School & Phone Number clearly written on the back.
The winning entries will be picked on the 10/9/2019 and will be on display
at the Strive For Autism 'Autism - Exploring the possibilities' seminar at
Cessnock Performing Arts Centre on 10/9/2019.
For more information about the 'Pun For Fun' Art Competition including
full terms & conditions visit: www.striveforautism.org.au

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THE SENSORY CLINIC
220 HIGH STREET
MAITLAND NSW 2320
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BAIRD
REAL ESTATE
101 VINCENT STREET
CESSNOCK NSW 2325



MILLFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL

COMMUNITY FAIR
SUNDAY 18TH AUGUST
9AM - 2PM
MILLFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL

MARKETS | LIVE MUSIC | FREE RIDES | DISPLAYS | RAFFLES

ONE AGENCY **CESSNOCK CITY MOTOR GROUP** **COALFIELDS PIERS** **SWEETMAN'S TIMBER Pty Ltd** **FLANAGANS** **CLEAR CABLE SOLUTIONS**