



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.

KORREIL WONNAI AECG KULLABURRA AWARDS 2019



Congratulations to the following students who received an award at the 2019 Korreil Wonnai AECG Kullaburra Awards held at Cessnock High School yesterday afternoon.

Katelyn, Grace, Kaitlin (absent), Kalob (absent) and Kieran (absent).

CLEVER KIDS

Clever Kids kicked off on Thursday 15th August, 2019 with lots of new little faces coming into our school and enjoying activities to support their school readiness. We were thrilled to see so many parents and grandparents in attendance with 24 kids registered for this program. Parents supported their children at each of the activities and hopefully took home some ideas to continue this learning.

It was exciting to meet Kindergarten 2020 and we look forward to seeing them all again for more fun learning. Please contact the school if you are interested in registering a pre-kindergarten enrolment for this event.



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This week we celebrate SASS (School Administrative and Support Staff) Week. Thank you to all our wonderful support staff! We would like to acknowledge

- ◇ The Ladies in the office who are super-efficient and dedicated to supporting students, staff and our community.
- ◇ Our wonderful School Learning Support Officers (SLSO) who are always on hand to assist our staff each day through their guidance and support of our students.
- ◇ Our Cleaners and General Assistant, who keep our grounds and classrooms looking great.

We hope you have a wonderful week.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

Teaching staff attended an exceptional training session last Monday with presenter Dylan Wiliam. The session focused on Formative Assessment that supports teaching and student learning. Over the next 18 months staff will continue to develop these skills for implementation in their classrooms.

LEARN TO SWIM SCHEME

2019 Learn to Swim Scheme for Year 2 and non-swimmers will be offered during Week 7 and Week 8, Term 4. This is a great opportunity to provide the non-swimmers with the skills that could save their lives in and around the water. The cost will be \$40 (\$4 per day x 10 days). The cost of the bus transport is being covered by our wonderful P&C.

BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to all the staff and students who dressed up for Book Week Celebrations. Thanks also to the P&C for their support with catering and book sales throughout the week.

AMU UPDATE

Construction on the hall upgrade has commenced. During the upgrade we will see an increase in the number of emergency exits, chair storage added, disabled access to the stage and external access to the hall toilets. This construction will hopefully be completed before our end of year events.

END OF YEAR EVENTS

- ◇ Sports Awards Assembly - 27th November, 2019 (9:30am)
- ◇ Presentation - 4th December, 2019 (9:30am and 10:30am)
- ◇ Year 6 Farewell - 5th December, 2019 (evening)
- ◇ Community Carols - 9th December, 2019 (6pm-9pm)

We will confirm these dates when construction is complete.



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT continued.

SCHOOL UNIFORM UPDATE

This week we had 82% of our students wearing the correct uniform. Thanks again to all the parents/carers and students who wear our uniform with pride. A reminder to parents/carers that may be purchasing new jumpers or jackets that hoodies are **NOT** part of our school uniform. We encourage all students to wear our uniform which can be purchased at Lowes or Flanagan's in Cessnock.

Wishing everyone a Happy Father's Day on Sunday.

Ian Lamph and Debbie Bower
Principals

S C H O O L U N I F O R M

The school uniform is unisex and is made up of the following items:

School Uniform

- Tartan tunic (blue, navy, red stripe)
- Tartan Skort
- Light blue round collar button blouse (logo on pocket)
- Light blue button shirt (logo on pocket)
- Navy shorts with APS
- Navy trousers
- White Socks

Sports Uniform

- Sports shirt - pale blue under arms as a side panel and red piping up either side of pale blue
- Sports Short
- White Socks

Hats

- School bucket hat with school logo

Optional Extras

- School bag with school logo
- School Wind Jacket
- Long navy pants





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Thank you to everyone who helped make Abermain Public School's "Book Week" activities a success. The Book Character Parade was amazing with a such a range of costumes. Everyone really got into the spirit of embracing children's literature and literacy while having fun.



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TERM THREE—Reporting Catch - ups

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 3, and discuss and share their learning.

If you are unable to catch up personally this Term, 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 to organise a time to speak to the teacher send an email to the school at abermain-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au 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 for gaining a very clear understanding of how they can help their child with their learning goals.

STAFF AVAILABILITY

CLASS	TEACHER	DATE	BETWEEN
KS	Mrs Bailey	Monday 23/9/2019	By appointment
KT	Miss Trotter	Monday 23/9/2019 Tuesday 24/9/2019	3:30pm - 5:30pm 3:30pm - 5:30pm
1W	Mrs Wright	Wednesday 25/9/2019	8:30am - 11.00am 2.30pm - 4.30pm
1C	Miss Cartwright	Wednesday 25/9/2019	8:30am - 11.00am 2.30pm - 4.00pm
2A	Mrs Roberson Mrs McLennan	Wednesday 25/9/2019	8:30am - 11.00am 2.30pm - 4.00pm
1/2R	Miss Roswell	Wednesday 25/9/2019	8:30am - 11.00am 2.30pm - 4.00pm
3-4W	Mrs Symonds	Monday 23/9/2019 Tuesday 24/9/2019	8:30am - 9.30am 8.30am - 9.30am
3-4E	Mrs Percy	Tuesday 24/9/2019	8:45am - 11.00am 2:30pm - 4:30pm
4/5P	Mr Power	Monday 23/9/2019 to Wednesday 25/9/2019	By appointment before and after school
5-6G	Miss Gylar	Monday 16/9/2019 to Friday 20/9/2019 Monday 23/9/2019 to Friday 27/9/2019	By appointment before and after school
5-6MB	Mrs McGee Mrs Britton	Monday 16/9/2019 Tuesday 17/9/2019 Thursday 18/9/2019	3:30pm - 4:30pm 3:30pm - 4:40pm 8:15am - 9.15am
6B	Mr Bridge	Monday 16/9/2019 to Thursday 19/9/2019	8:30am - 9:00am 3:30pm - 4:30pm



WHAT'S ON IN PBL

PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM

This week we are very excited to launch our 'Peer Support Program'. Our Stage 3 students will be continuing to develop their leadership skills whilst delivering PBL lessons across the school. All of our Stage 3 students are working with a leadership partner and taking a small group of students to teach the younger students about the skills of 'Valuing themselves and others'.

The program will run for four weeks. During this time leaders will run small group activities, games, exercises, focus on building relationships and the capacity within all students to be respectful to themselves and others.

Stage 3 students are very excited about this opportunity and we know that they will deliver quality and engaging lessons that the younger students will thoroughly enjoy. We look forward to sharing some photos and reviews from the weekly lessons in future Newsletters....stay tuned.

INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT - TLSC

The NSW Government has committed the largest investment in planned maintenance at public schools in the history of NSW. A record \$1.3 billion is being spent on an ambitious delivery program, focused on employing local businesses and contractors across the state.

To assist in addressing regional school maintenance issues and at the same time provide work for local trade's persons and suppliers across the Hunter / Central Coast regions, over \$100 million is being invested to upgrade and maintain our school infrastructure.

Given this record spend by School Infrastructure NSW, you are invited to an Asset Management Unit industry breakfast briefing. This will provide information to existing and new contractors on how you can get involved.

To find out more by attending our Industry breakfast register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/industry-engagement-information-session-tickets-65766578607> or contact your Asset Management Unit on 4088 3500.

- Friday 6th September 2019 – 7:00am at Tuggerah Lakes Secondary College – The Entrance Campus (Primarily targeted to Company's / Tradespeople on the Central Coast)
- Friday 20th September 2019 – 7:00am at Rutherford HS (Primarily targeted to Company's / Tradespeople in the Lower Hunter/Upper Hunter)




**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**



**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

TERM 3 ASSEMBLY DATES

Year 1 to Year 2 02/09/2019

Year 3 to Year 4 09/09/2019

Year 5 to Year 6 16/09/2019

FRIDAY 30th AUGUST, 2019

Father's Day STEM Afternoon Tea

2.00 - 3.00pm

ABERMAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL PLAYGROUP

Wednesdays during School Terms

9.30am – 11.00am

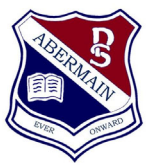


ALL WELCOME!

For more information contact
Cheryl-Ann Leggatt Ph: 0414 625 872



**Moved address?
New email address?
Have a new mobile phone?**



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 CANDLELIGHT

Location:
ABERMAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL

MONDAY 9TH DECEMBER, 2019 AT 6PM

Gold Coin Donation
Food & Drinks available throughout the night
Visit from Santa
Fireworks at 9pm



Ever wondered about studying at Uni?
Come along to our FREE information session!

Venue: Koe-nara, Cessnock Schools as Community Centre
Cnr Rawson and Quarrybylong Streets
(inside the Cessnock Public School grounds)

When: Wednesday 4th September, 10am-12midday

Uni4You provides assistance and guidance with:

- Preparing for studying at a university level
- Balancing study & family demands
- Choosing study that's right for you and your interests
- Applications for tertiary preparation courses (Newstep, Yapug, or Open Foundation)

All Welcome! Bookings essential.
Morning tea provided – Children welcome (please bring a snack and a toy)

"I would not have taken the step into Open Foundation if it weren't for the Uni4You Project..."

 To register, or if you would like to just have a chat:
Roger Currie
Phone: 4921 6795 or 0400 978 046
roger.currie@newcastle.edu.au

Michele Oshan
Phone: 4921 7737 or 0437 251 261
michele.oshan@newcastle.edu.au

School Travel - Term 3 2019

Stay up to date with Opal and ticketing changes for school travel



Go to - <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/#/usefulFormsAndInformation>

Updated brochures now online



- ♦ Friday 30th August, 2019 Father's Day 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
- ♦ Wednesday 4th September, 2019 Cessnock High School STEPS Transition Day
- ♦ Thursday 5th September, 2019 Clever Kids, 2-3pm
- ♦ Monday 9th September, 2019 Stage 2 (Year 3 - 4) Assembly - 2.30pm
- ♦ Wednesday 11th September, 2019 Woo V's Spencer
- ♦ Monday 16th September, 2019 Stage 3 (Year 5 - 6) Assembly - 2.30pm
- ♦ Tuesday 24th September, 2019 Stage 3 (Year 5 - 6) Canberra Excursion
to Friday 27th September
- ♦ Friday 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.***