



## 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.

#### *Congratulations to our recent PAWS Badge recipients*

KINDER; Ainslee, Alyssa, Myles and Sophie  
YEAR 1; Aidan  
YEAR 2; Sophie



YEAR 3; Brock, Jett, Tyrone and Lucas  
YEAR 4; Talisha, Ebony, Chloe, Georgia and Eli  
YEAR 5; Mia and Lily  
YEAR 6; Tameka and Keira





As part of our Geography unit KS have been exploring places they live in and belong to. They examined their home as a special place. They have been learning about the importance of looking after places. Here are some of the models the children have made of their bedrooms.





# SPORTS AWARD ASSEMBLY





# PRESENTATION DAY





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## HOBBY HUB

Abermain students are offered a range of interest group activities during lunch and recess to keep them busy and to build on skills outside of their regular classroom routine. Some of these interest groups are library, outside games, karaoke, STEM Club and running. Three days a week, children are offered Hobby Hub which offers a choice of games, craft and art. We encourage all K-6 students to participate in any group they might be interested in to keep busy during lunch and recess breaks.



## INTENSIVE SWIMMING

The group of Intensive Swimmers this year have all been engaged, enthusiastic and excited about their daily swimming lessons at Kurri Kurri Aquatic Centre. We have seen huge improvements in just a short amount of time for many of the students. Some are now diving underwater and swimming independently while others are swimming more than 25 metres in the pool.

We had a safety session at school which is a requirement of the program and the students have been demonstrating their safety skills in the water. It is such an important skill and we would encourage families to continue with lessons after this program has ended.

We congratulate all of the swimmers on their huge effort!





## LEAGUE TOUCH GALA DAY

On Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2019, nine Stage 3 boys went to a League Touch Gala Day at the Cessnock Sportsground. Our team went up against four other schools from the local area including Bellbird Public School, Paxton Public School, Nulkaba Public School and St Phillips Christian College. The games were non-competitive but we still played hard and did our best, everyone enjoying themselves and having a great day.

Thank you to Matt Sharman who is the Hunter Region's NRL Coordinator, for organising this day and to Cessnock Sportsground for hosting us.



The Department of Education, Workplace Health and Safety have determined that our fireworks display should not go ahead due to the extreme conditions that the Hunter Valley is experiencing at the moment

**FIREWORKS ARE CANCELLED**

However, the  
**Carols by Candlelight** community event on  
**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December is still on!**

We expect to present  
a great night of entertainment  
**All welcome! Entry is a gold coin donation**

Gates open at 5.15pm  
Pre-show entertainment starts at 5.45pm  
Food and drinks are available throughout the night

### CANTEEN NEWS

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2019**  
**Please note that the canteen will be closed for Recess only.**



**Sherpa Kids Holy Spirit  
Vacation Care Booking Form**

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number Mobile \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Contact Ph. No \_\_\_\_\_

**CONDITIONS**

- 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.
- No swapping of days once holiday has started, only adding on days is allowed.
- Our service is open daily from **6.30am 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 6:00pm.
- Excursions. Staffing will be based on risk assessment. In the event where these activities are cancelled, service based activities will be offered.
- 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 by 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.

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Sign \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**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  
Sherpa Kids OSHC or  
hunter@sherpa-kids.com.au

**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.

<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2020</b>	<b>TYE DYE!!!</b> Tye Dye a t-shirt with your own design. Create colour and flair and compare with your peers the different way to place colour in fabric.	<b>\$75</b>
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2020</b>	<b>PLASTERCRAFT!!</b> What will you choose, paint and decorate and paint one for a friend. Enjoy the choice and creation of painting your own design	<b>\$75</b>
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2020</b>	<b>MOVIE TIME!!!</b> Day at the Movies enjoy a drink and popcorn and transport is included to watch a movie with peers. (Movie will be selected closer to date).	<b>\$75</b>
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2020</b>	<b>TENNIS AT KURRI KURRI!!!</b> A day of fun filled activities with friends at Kurri Kurri, tennis and cricket and lots of other outdoor games to enjoy. Sausage sizzle and transport included!!	<b>\$75</b>
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2020</b>	<b>HUNTER VALLEY GARDENS!!!</b> Enjoy a day visit to the Hunter Valley Gardens, bring a picnic lunch and enjoy the end of the Christmas festivities. Come and join in the rides and fun. Transport included.	<b>\$75</b>
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2020</b>	<b>BOCCE AND LAWN BOWLS</b> Enjoy the team work of Bocce and barefoot bowls, create the game indoors and outdoors	<b>\$60</b>
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2020</b>	<b>WATER PLAY!!</b> Bring your towel and spare clothes for a day of water fun, bring a bucket and enjoy a day of seeing our Sherpa friends again.	<b>\$60</b>
<b>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2020</b>	<b>HARRY POTTER DELUXE CLUB</b> Dress up at Harry Potter, bring your games and Harry Potter glasses, make a broom, play quidditch and watch out for those chasing ghoul.	<b>\$60</b>



**SHERPA KIDS HOLY SPIRIT  
Vacation Care Program**

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

Activity/Location	Activity Description	Cost
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2019</b>	<b>Bike and Scooter Day!!!</b> Bring your bike and scooter and join in on the circuit designed by yourselves. Make signs, decorate signs and enjoy a day on wheels. Helmets and closed in shoes are necessary.	<b>\$60</b>
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2019</b>	<b>Christmas at Sherpa!!!</b> Enjoy Christmas craft, a Christmas lunch and get ready for the Christmas break with your family and friends.	<b>\$60</b>
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2020</b>	<b>Build A Bear!!</b> Make your best friend. Stuff them and create a fun game to involve them with our friends. Enjoy a picnic with your new friends.	<b>\$75</b>
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2020</b>	<b>POKEMON!!</b> Can you find them, solve the puzzles, track them down and add them to your collection. Chase and capture those Pokemon	<b>\$60</b>
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2020</b>	<b>DISNEY HEROES AND VILLAINS!!</b> Come dressed as your favourite Disney hero or villain and create the world of Disney. Movies and games	<b>\$60</b>



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Vacation Care Booking Form**

**Fees Per Day**

Service Based \$60      Excursion \$75      Incursion \$75

**Bookings** (please tick the box each day the child will be attending)

CHILD 1	Family Name:	First Name:	Age:
DOB:	CRN:	School:	
DATE: MON	TUE	WED 18/12	THUR 19/12 FRI 20/12
DATE: MON 13/01	TUE 14/01	WED 15/01	THUR 16/01 FRI 17/01 ALL
DATE: MON 20/01	TUE 21/01	WED 22/01	THUR 23/01 FRI 24/01 ALL
DATE: MON	TUE 28/01		
N/A			
CHILD 2	Family Name:	First Name:	Age:
DOB:	CRN:	School:	
DATE: MON	TUE	WED 18/12	THUR 19/12 FRI 20/12
DATE: MON 13/01	TUE 14/01	WED 15/01	THUR 16/01 FRI 17/01 ALL
DATE: MON 20/01	TUE 21/01	WED 22/01	THUR 23/01 FRI 24/01 ALL
DATE: MON	TUE 28/01		
N/A			

CHILD 3	Family Name:	First Name:	Age:
DOB:	CRN:	School:	
DATE: MON	TUE	WED	THUR 19/12 FRI 20/12
DATE: MON 13/01	TUE 14/01	WED 15/01	THUR 16/01 FRI 17/01 ALL
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- ◆ Friday 6th December, 2019  
Year 6 Parent Breakfast  
Year 6 Fun Day  
Year 6 Shirt signing  
Year 6 Bell Ringing Ceremony (for students enrolled at Cessnock High School)  
Final day for Intensive Swimming Program
- ◆ Monday 9th December, 2019  
Carols by Candlelight - 6.00pm (Gates open at 5.15pm)  
Cessnock High School Year 7 2020 students commence
- ◆ Monday 16th December, 2019  
Whole School Assembly - **2.00pm**
- ◆ Wednesday 18th December, 2019  
Year 6 Bell Ringing Ceremony  
Last day of Term 4



**END OF TERM CLASS PARTIES**

**5/6MB** - Friday 13th December, 2019

**5/6G** - Thursday 12th December, 2019

**3/4W and 3/4E** - Wednesday 11th December, 2019

**2A** - Wednesday 18th December, 2019

**1W and 1/2R** - Monday 16th December, 2019

*(this is a surprise for the students)*

**KT and KS** - Thursday 12th December, 2019

Notes will be sent home with students shortly, if not already done

**SCHOOL WEBSITE**

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

**SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE**

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