



Term Dates 2009

Term 3 13th July - 18th Sept
 Term 4 5th Oct - 18th Dec

ABERFELDIE NEWSLETTER

DATES TO REMEMBER –

Monday	27th	July	Parents Club Meeting
Wednesday	5th	Aug	Pizza & Jelly Day
Monday	10th	Aug	You Can Do It – Parent Information Session 7-8.30pm Library
Tuesday	18th	Aug	Grades 3-6 Athletic Carnival New Date
Friday	21st	Aug	Pre -6 Incursion - Jungle Bunny
Mon – Fri	24th – 28th	Aug	Book Fair
Thursday	3rd	Sept	Fathers Day Stall
			Grades 1-2 Hands on Science Incursion
Friday	4th	Sept	Grade 1 – 2 Sleepover
Saturday	12th	Sept	Parents Club – Eighties Dance
Wednesday	16th	Sept	Footy & Pie Day



Book Club finishes tomorrow Friday 24th July all orders must be into the office

**SAP fees are now due payment needs to be received at the office by (tomorrow)
 Friday 24th July 2009**

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Friends,

School Activities

On Tuesday students from Grades 5/6A and P demonstrated their knowledge and understanding of our political system when they presented their Political Party presentations to fellow students and parents. The presentations came at the conclusion of their *Who's Who In The News* unit. A range of issues were covered and students used the preferential voting system to determine the most popular party. As with many elections, at this point I am unable to declare a winner with an absolute majority but would like to congratulate students and teachers on their fantastic work.

Unfortunately due to the inclement weather conditions the school's Athletic Carnival at Aberfeldie Park had to be cancelled. However many of our students will be given the opportunity to compete against other students later this term in the Interschool Athletics Carnival.

21C Building Update

Works have begun on the site. We have been informed that works may also take place on the weekend, particularly Saturday. In the interests of health and safety we would ask that families refrain from using the school grounds on weekends whilst construction and works are taking place.

Our building program has officially started with the fence around the designated building site area. This means that the site has been handed over to the contractors and is their full responsibility. No unauthorised persons, including the Principal, are allowed on to the site until the school regains possession of it. A number of works have also started.

Graffiti

Unfortunately the school has had a number of graffiti attacks this term. The graffiti will be removed as soon as possible. If you see anything suspicious on the school grounds during afterhours could you please contact the police immediately.

Terese Healy - Principal

Assistant Principal's Report

I would like to notify parents and the school community that we will be holding our annual BOOK FAIR this term. The Book Fair will coincide with Children's Book Week which gives us a great opportunity to celebrate children's books. The school has obtained the nominated books for the Book Week awards and teachers will have the opportunity to work with these books with their classes. Further information about the BOOK FAIR will be distributed as it gets closer. For parents new to our school, the BOOK FAIR is set up in our Library for one week and the school community can purchase books and the school receives commission through the sales of books during that week. The BOOK FAIR will take place from MONDAY AUGUST 24TH – FRIDAY AUGUST 28TH. We have also booked a drama performance based around some of the Book Week stories for FRIDAY AUGUST 21ST. This will be a great lead into our BOOK WEEK/FAIR focus. Details about this performance will also be distributed closer to the date. The performance will cost each student approximately \$5.00. We would like to encourage all students to attend.

Heather Golder - Assistant Principal

From the Office

Staff Car Park

Can you please not use the Staff Car Park to drop off and pick up your children. Children occasionally cross the road and it can be very dangerous. There are plenty of parking spaces in Ramsey Street. Even if you are running late or picking up early, you are still not permitted to use the Staff Car Park. Many thanks, Office.

OSHC News

Dear Parents,

Just to let you know that we have had our validation visit for accreditation and we did very well. Thanks to all those who filled out their surveys, these have all now been sent off.

Next week we have Active After School Care commencing. On a Monday afternoon we will be having circus skills and on a Friday afternoon we will be having football. Please encourage your child to attend. With thanks, Gail & Team

Program for next Week

Monday 27 Jul – Making Boomerangs

Tuesday 28 Jul – Making Rocky Road/Games in the Gym

Wed 29 Jul – Feather Pencils

Thursday 30 Jul – Tennis Rounders

Friday 31 Jul – DVD Afternoon

You Can Do It – Parent Information Session

A reminder to all parents to keep Monday 10th August from 7.00-8.30pm free to attend the "You Can Do It" information session being held in the school library. Margaret Milne an inspirational speaker will address the 5 Keys to Success and Happiness.

Thankyou, Carmel Davis

SAP News

SAP sessions are on this Friday with Grades 1/2 from 11.30 - 12.30 and Grades 3 - 6 from 12.30 - 1.30.

This term will include 2 kinder visits as well as a performance at Windows on the West, Highpoint Shopping Centre (date to be confirmed).

A reminder that SAP fees are now due payment needs to be received at the office by Friday 24th July 2009 or your child will not be allowed to participate.

Rose - SAP Liaison.

Parents' Club News

There will be a Parents' Club meeting on Monday 27th July at 9.10am in the staff room. All welcome

5/6A & P Political Parties

The political parties of 5/6A and 5/6P were split between both their classrooms. They had been working on the parties for 4 weeks. Then on the 21st of July we presented.

On the day of presenting our political parties and all the parents of the children came to watch our presentations. All the groups that presented did a great job. At the end everyone put a vote in the ballot box.

We did it because it shows an example of how we can use our theme (who's who in the news) to make things such as our political parties.

These parties are ideas for the school grounds, classrooms and our gardens. Here are some of the parties. Playground make over 09, and fantastic furniture and veggie magic.

After the parties presented everyone had voted and the ballots were tallied up. The Crank dat flush button party came 1st. Next was veggie magic followed by spectacular specialists and lean mean clean machine.

In the presentation for 5/6A and 5/6P political parties the parents, teachers and students were involved. The students performed for the teachers and parents. It was really fun for everyone. 12 parties participated in the event. 71 people all voted for their 1st, 2nd and 3rd favourite parties and crank dat flush button won.

In the political parties presentations we did our acts and read our speeches. Then after we finished our presentations we got to vote for the best political party Purdy was our host and she was the one which called the parties up for the presentations.

We did these acts about political parties because our study last semester was government and we learnt who was in the government. We also went to Parliament House in Melbourne. We learnt about its history and all of us have learnt a great amount of knowledge from this experience.

12 parties participated and only 4 got the most votes those parties were all really good and here are some of them, lean mean clean machine , crank dat flush button, veggie magic and money magic.

Also for our political parties after we voted we had placing's and the 1 to 3 were crank dat flush button came first, veggie magic came second and there was a tie in third place with spectacular specialists and cool canteen.