

Term Dates 2009

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



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ABERFELDIE NEWSLETTER

DATES TO REMEMBER –

Friday	18th	Sept	End of Term 3 - 2.30pm Finish
Monday	5th	Oct	Term 4 Starts
Tuesday	13th	Oct	Parents' Club Meeting
Monday	19th	Oct	Prep – 2 Swimming
Wednesday	11th	Nov	Italian Day
Wednesday	9th	Dec	3-4 Camp

Permission & Payment Forms that need to be returned:

Prep – 2

Swimming Notice

Final Payment Due 9th October 2009 (\$45.00)

ACTING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Friends,

This week schools have received Naplan results. Naplan is the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy which was conducted in May of this year for the Year 3 and 5 students. Parents will receive their child's results by the end of the term. Naplan as well as the school assessments provide valuable information on students' learning. If parents wish to discuss their child's results with their child's class teacher or myself, please make an appointment through the office.

Thank you to all the parents who have returned swimming permission notes for the Prep – 2 program. The Swimming Program is from October 19th – 30th. We have received a great response and final payment is to be made to the office by Friday October 9th. If you need an alternative payment plan please contact Roberta Baseggio at the office or myself. Learning to swim is an important survival skill and it is great to see families supporting the program.

Over the school holidays the school will continue to be an active construction site. Our building project is taking the holidays as an opportunity to complete some extensive digging around the whole school. This digging is setting up the utilities for the building. Our new playground is well on the way to being finished and work on the cricket pitch will also take place. Unfortunately in the past school holidays the school grounds have become a place for youths to gather and at times vandalise or graffiti our buildings. I would strongly urge the school community to contact the local police if you see activities that look suspicious within the school grounds. I sincerely hope we are able to begin Term 4 free of any of these time and money wasting distractions.

First week of Term 4 will be planning week for our teaching teams. Planning week is very important for our teachers as it provides an opportunity to plan the term's work, discuss learning opportunities, set common assessment tasks, reflect on effective teaching strategies and share ideas and resources.

During Term 3 we have had three Casual Relief Teachers working in classes across the school. I would like to thank them for their commitment and dedication to the classes they have been working in and their continued support and consistent communication with students, teachers and parents. Melissa Hockey has been replacing Amy Dinsdale while Amy has been on leave, Abbey Hoes has been replacing Jim Wilkinson while Jim has been on leave and Frances Eames has been working with Sue Fry.

I would like to finish my report with a number of congratulations. Firstly, another of Aberfeldie's students has achieved excellence in her chosen sport of Futsal. Alyssa Batticciotto has been selected to represent Victoria in the Girls Under 11 Futsal team. Alyssa will travel to Canberra in January to compete in the Nationals.



Alyssa tells me that Futsal is like soccer, is played indoors, the game is very quick and all players play a variety of defensive and attacking roles. Alyssa trains on Saturdays and was one of fifty girls to be selected. We wish Alyssa all the very best.

Secondly I would like to congratulate the teachers and students for their hard work this term. I visit rooms daily and I see the fantastic work the students produce and the great opportunities the teachers plan and present.

I would like to wish all families a happy and safe holiday and look forward to seeing everyone return relaxed and refreshed for Term 4.

Reminders:

School dismissed at 2:30pm on Friday September 18th.

All students to have their sun hats for the rest of the year.

Heather Golder - Acting Principal

Acting Principal's Report

As Term 3 draws to a close I'd like to take the opportunity to reflect on some of the highlights and to thank the whole school community - students, teachers, parents and friends for your highly valued efforts, contributions and support. Highlights include:

- the demolition of the P-2 Building and the first stages of the new building – *how exciting!*
- You Can Do It Parent Information Session
- Grade 3-6 Athletics Carnival and 54 students participating in the District Athletics
- Year 1-2 Sleepover and Prep Healthy Breakfast Day
- Pizza and Jelly and Footy and Pie Days
- Prep-6 Jungle Bungle Incursion
- Parent helpers assisting with a wide range of tasks and activities
- Book Fair
- Fathers Day Stall
- Grade 1-2 Hands on Science Incursion and Grade 3-4 Science Works Incursion
- Grade 5-6 Small Business projects
- Teachers participating in a wide range of professional learning programs
- SAP Performances at local Pre Schools
- the introduction of a "Passive Play" area
- whole school buddy session to celebrate National Literacy and Numeracy week
- the construction of our new playground

I'm sure you'll be able to think of many more Term 3 highlights that are not listed.

I'd also like to take the opportunity to wish everyone a very enjoyable and relaxing holiday break and a safe return on Monday 5 October.

Wendy Ashworth

Acting Assistant Principal

Prep Request

The Preps are collecting cardboard tubes for an activity next term, glad wrap & foil tubes are best. (no toilet rolls). It would be great if the whole school could collect over the holidays and bring any tubes to the prep rooms on the first Monday back.

Thanks for your support.

The Prep Team.

SAP News

Congratulations to all SAP students on a most enjoyable performance for the Beaver St Kinder children and parents last Friday. It was fun to perform for the 4 year old group and for many of our students it was great to be able to visit their old kinder. Thank you to staff and parents who supported us and the Beaver Street Kinder community.

Enrolments are now open for new students wishing to join SAP in Term 4. Forms are available from the office.

Rose - SAP Liaison.

Parents' Club News

A big thank you to Jo Scarce & Belinda Selwood and all the parent's that helped out at the Fathers Day Stall also Footy and Pie Day helpers.

Parents' Club meeting - Tuesday 13th October 7.30pm in the Staff Room.

2010 Term Dates:

Term 1	1 February (students start) to 26 March
Term 2	12 April to 25 June
Term 3	12 July to 17 September
Term 4	4 October to 17 December

Website of the Week

This week we are featuring the blogs of three Aberfeldie classes 1/2Z, 1/2S and 3/4P. Anyone can access the blogs and make a comment on the different games, holiday ideas and photos. Here are the links:

1/2Z <http://lisa12z.edublogs.org>
1/2S <http://clares1.edublogs.org>
3/4P <http://benphillips9.edublogs.org>

There are many more teachers at Aberfeldie who are working hard on their blogs.

So keep Posted!

Clare Spillane

Italian Day Hat Helper




Yes I can help sew hats.

Name:


Childs Name: **Grade:**

Contact No:


Please return to the office.


Singing & Performance (SAP)
Enrol now for term 4 and for 2010
LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE!

We are in our 9th year of Singing & Performance at Aberfeldie Primary School. We have opened up some places for Term 4 so it's not too late for your child to join in the fun. Please complete the slip at the bottom of the page and return it to the school office by Friday, September 18, 2009.



Learn microphone technique



Performances & concerts!

CHILD'S NAME:

CLASS:

Please tick

I would like to enrol my child in SAP for Term 4

I would like to enrol my child in SAP for Term 1, 2010

