



# ABERFELDY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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18th May 2017 - Week Three / Term Two

**CONTACT DETAILS for VAN** Please contact Van drivers or Fran, before 7.30am, if your child will not be on the van : **Fran 027 289 3913 Steve 027 496 3331 Terry 021 202 6020**

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

The second term I speeding by already - it is already nearly the end of Week three and nearly the end of May! This has been an especially busy week with the visit of the dental van and a visit by the MOE Property man.

### **Mangamahu Cross Country - 19th May:**

This is meant to be on tomorrow (Friday 19th May) as the weather is meant to clear!

All children are to come to school as per normal.

We will depart from school at 9.15am. We are able to provide transport for all students, but parents and whanau are very welcome to attend (but will need to provide their own transport to Mangamahu).

As the day may be rather cold and will certainly be wet under foot, children are to bring the following -

- Warm jacket and hat
- Change of clothes
- Towel
- Plastic bag to put wet gear in
- Good lunch and morning tea
- Water bottle
- Some food items are available for purchase -
  - \$2.00 Sausage sizzle
  - \$3 meat pattie in a bun
  - \$2 water bottle
  - \$2 juices
  - \$2 baking
  - Free tea & coffee for the adults



**Postponement :** This will be advised either later this afternoon or early tomorrow morning. Please complete and return the permission slip attached.

### **Curriculum Matters:**

**Numeracy:** In number, students have started working on an algebra unit which they are finding quite challenging.

**Writing:** Students are continuing with a focus on improving our writing and some examples of student writing are included with this newsletter.

**Science Badges:** Year 6,7 & 8 students have been offered the opportunity to undertake science badge work as an extension activity.

This work is designed to be done independently by the students but should be completed within the term. The children are to choose a badge and then have to complete the activity sheet (completing at least 20 points); these are then

marked and signed off by a teacher and badges awarded at a special assembly.

These badges have been designed by the Science Award Trust to get students interested in science activities and to encourage student initiative.

**Maths Badges:** Students will also be offered the change to undertake math's activities in a few weeks. These are similar to the Science Badges and are designed for extension work in math's through the Math's Achievement Challenge (MAC) - there will be a minimal charge of \$10 per student wishing to do these. More information to follow.



Geology

## **DUFFY Caught Being Good Awards**

Shirley Thomson  
Hunter Browning  
Te Aute Pirikahu



## **Calendar Dates**



- Mondays - 2.15pm - ASSEMBLIES at school / School lunches
- Wednesdays - Integrated Maori programme at school
- Thursdays- Year 7 & 8 students technology
- Friday 19th May—Mangamahu Cross Country
- Tuesday 23rd May—Lucky Book Club orders due back at school
- Friday 26th May - Postponement date for Mangamahu Cross Country
- 2nd to 5th June - Circus Aotearoa at Springvale Park
- Monday 5th June - Queens Birthday—NO School
- Friday 7th July - End of Term Two



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### **Lucky Book Club Orders:**

Lucky Book Club brochures were sent home last week, if anyone would like to order books please have orders and money to school by next Tuesday, or you can order on line yourself.



[www.mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz](http://www.mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz)

### **Circus Aotearoa:**

Please see attached brochure with information on Circus Aotearoa which is coming to Wanganui over Queens Birthday weekend.



### **A Strange Light**

*By Oberon*

*One night I saw a strange light from my window, so I crept slowly down the stairs.*



*I opened the front door and went out into the street. I saw nothing strange except for a strange light getting bigger by the second, it was also getting hotter and coming closer.*

*Suddenly everything went pitch black and I never found out what the bright thing was.*

*Weeks later I woke up in hospital with bad burns. The doctors said that they had found me on the street so they took me in.*

*I guess that the moon had hit me!*

### **FRANK Books:**

Aberfeldy School was lucky enough to receive 100 free exercise books from Frank Stationery - these are being used by the students and are much appreciated!

FRANK is a New Zealand based company that makes beautiful notebooks and journals. Their business model is centred around giving a book to a child in need for every single book they sell. Yep, they're pretty amazing. School Kit lends FRANK a hand by connecting them with kids in schools that they think would benefit most from their generosity. So if you see FRANK stationery anywhere for sale, remember purchasing their products helps students like ours!

**THANKS Frank!**



### **WORKING BEE:**

We need to have a working bee at the school to help clean out the school house and sort through resources etc. Please contact the school if you are able to help with these jobs and let us know if it suits you to do this through the week, or at the weekend.

We will try and fit around a day / days that suit most people and advise of this later next week.

## **MANGAMAHU CROSS COUNTRY — Friday 19th May 2017**

My child/ren ..... Has permission to travel to Mangamahu School in the school van and take part in the cross country on the 19th May 2017 (or on postponement date of 26th May 2017).

Signed : .....

Date: .....

### **LUNCH ORDERS - MONDAY 22nd MAY 2017**



Lunch on Monday "Spaghetti Bolognese" followed by "Chocolate or Banana Cake-in-a-Cup"

\$5.00 per student

Student Name(s): .....

Total Enclosed: \$.....

