



# ABERFELDY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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25th October 2017 - Week Two / Term Four

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Dear Parents & Caregivers,

We have made a great start to the last school term. It certainly has been a very busy year so far and this term will be no different. Proposed dates for our Term 4 events are included in this newsletter.

### **Curriculum:**

**Writing** - persuasive speeches and poetry. There will be a focus on surface features such as punctuation and paragraphing.

**Mathematics** - The focus will be on measurement including volume, area and triangles whilst continuing to use algorithms to solve 3 or 4 digit and larger addition, subtraction, multiplication and division problems.

**Reading** - All students from Year 4 to Year 8 will be using the CSI (Comprehension Strategies Instruction) Literacy Programme. The CSI literacy is a family of 21st century literacy resources designed to accelerate literacy achievement. The resources are innovative blend of digital and hard copy materials for teaching comprehension strategies and improving vocabulary, oral language, decoding, fluency and writing.



The CSI programme enables pupils to consciously apply 7 comprehension strategies to any text. These strategies are -

- Making connections
- Asking questions
- Visualising
- Drawing inferences
- Determining important ideas
- Synthesising information (including summarizing)

**Topic** - Our topics for this term will be in the area of Health and Physical Ed, and an environmental focus on continuing to develop our outdoor learning classrooms and planting gardens.

### **Gardens:**

All students have been involved in digging and planting our veggie and flower gardens. We are also redesigning and planting our herb garden.



So far the children have planted silverbeet, capsicums, tomatoes, spring onions and lettuces. In addition some children have been involved in planting lots of veggie seeds.

### **Help -**

If you have any spare seedlings, plants or would like to help in the gardens please contact us at school. We are fortunate to have been given a glass house from Ngamatea School and would like some help to erect it. If you have time and skills to assist with this please let us know.



### **Swimming:**

If the weather is fine we will start swimming on Monday.

All children need to bring togs, towel and a plastic bag (to put their wet gear in) to school every day. All children are expected to take part in our swimming programme. We are extremely lucky to have a school pool and thanks to Steve (our caretaker and van driver) the pool is looking great. If children do not have a towel at school they won't be able to swim.

### **SUNSMART SCHOOL:**

Aberfeldy School is a Sunsmart School and children are expected to wear a hat when outside (a wide brim hat provides more protection, or a hat with a flap at the back to protect their neck from the sun). Children should eat their lunch in the shade and sunblock is available at school. Please speak to your children about being sun smart - they are able to ask for sunblock, or put it on themselves, when required.



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### PE Challenges:

Our school President, Charlotte O'Hagan, and Indica Brown have set up a number of physical challenges and competitions during lunchtimes. They have organised certificates and awards. Students are really enjoying this. Great work girls!

### Pet Day & Speeches:

More information on Pet Day and Speech Competition will be in the coming newsletters.



### Technology:

Remember Year 7 & 8 students must have covered in shoes and hair tied back when attending technology on Thursdays.



*The start of our veggie gardens.....*

### **Calendar Dates**

- Mondays—2.15pm ASSEMBLIES at school
- Wednesday Mornings - Integrated Maori programme at school
- Thursdays - Year 7 & 8 Technology at Gonville School
- Thursday afternoons - PE Challenges
- Friday 10th November - Pet Day
- Week 6—Dental Caravan at school (tbc)
- Week 6— Speech Competition
- Week 8 - 4th to 6th December CAMP
- Wednesday 13th December - LAST DAY OF TERM 4



### **DUFFY Caught Being Good Awards**

**Charlie O'Hagan  
Indica Brown**

*For organising physical challenges*



**Damien Sawyer**

*Setting up school blog site*

**Caiden Lett**

*For helping with relocating resources*

**Sheldon O'Hagan  
Jayna Anderson**

*For helping to sort and organise the sports shed - removing an entire trailer load of rubbish!*

### **LUNCH ORDERS - MONDAY 30th OCTOBER 2017**



**"Macaroni Cheese followed by a "Surprise Dessert"**

**\$5.00 per student**

**Student Name(s): .....**



**Total Enclosed: \$.....**