



# ABERFELDY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whanau,

I hope everyone has been enjoying their summer break and starting to think about getting back to school. We will be welcoming some new students, which will be exciting.

We have some fantastic learning planned for Term One 2018, including working with the schools in the Wanganui East Rural Schools Cluster and the having the Juniors working with Mangamahu School.

Our special STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) will begin in week three of Term One and Seniors will be attending a leadership camp with other Year 7 & 8 students from the cluster.

### **Senior Camp:**

The 2 day senior camp will be held at the YMCA Ruakawa Falls, on Thursday 8th and Friday 9th February (second week back) at a cost of approximately \$45.00 per student. It will give our Year 7 and 8 students a chance to mix and work with others of the same age from the 6 cluster schools.

One of the activities will be the High Ropes which will be part of the Tuia Challenge (senior students will undertake 4 different activities as part of this challenge during 2018).

### **Stationery:**

A stationery list is attached. Students may certainly use last years books if they have not been fully used but I would like everyone to start the year with new pens, pencils, rulers and rubbers.

A stationery list will be available at Warehouse Stationery and if you purchase your items there make sure you ask them to put the "points" to Aberfeldy School as we benefit by being able to use the points to purchase art equipment etc for the school.



### **Swimming:**

Thanks to Steve's wonderful maintenance programme the pool is looking fantastic. All students need to bring togs and towel daily as during Term One this is a major focus of our P.E. programme .

Our swimming sports will take place in late February or early March and our top swimmers will have a chance to compete against other top swimmers in the cluster.

### **Enviro Schools - Reflection / Bronze Award:**

I met with Ron Fisher at the end of Term 3 and we agreed that we will take part in the reflection process for our Bronze Award. At this time we reflect on the four area that make up being an enviro school and how we meet the criteria in each of these areas. More details about this will be sent out with our week one newsletter.



### **2018 Planning Meeting / Charter Update / Friends of Aberfeldy School Fundraising Group:**

A meeting to discuss these items will be held at school next week on Thursday January 25th at 1.00pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. Tea / coffee / cold drinks provided. If you require transport please contact me and we will see if we are able to arrange anything.

### **Working Bee:**

We have got lots of ideas for making our great little school even better!



There are many jobs to do including -

- ◆ Re painting the playground games on the courts (adding new ones as well).
- ◆ Clearing the site and setting up the greenhouse which was given to us by Ngamatea School when it closed.
- ◆ Garden weeding (on - going)
- ◆ Adventure playground painting and tidying.
- ◆ Fire wood to be cut up.

Please let us know if you are able / available to help with any of these activities.



We hope you enjoy the rest of your holiday break and return to school rested and ready to learn!

Remember school starts on -

**MONDAY 29th JANUARY.**



# Aberfeldy School Stationery Lists 2018

## Year 1-2

2	<b>LWB- Learn To Write Books- These are lined and also have a dotted line between each line to assist in learning to write. Handwriting</b>
1	<b>1Hf- Maths Book</b>
4	<b>Scrap books-Warwick or similar</b>
2	<b>Pencils-good quality please</b>
1	<b>Pencil Sharpener</b>
1	<b>Rubbers</b>
1	<b>Ruler- Hard clear plastic-NOT bendy please</b>
1	<b>Packet colouring pencils</b>
1	<b>Glue Stick</b>
1	<b>Ream of white photocopy paper</b>

## Year 3 - 8

4	<b>1B5s-Story writing, English, Handwriting, Reading.</b>
2	<b>1E5 Maths Book</b>
5	<b>Project Books (Warwick or similar scrapbook) –Social Sciences, Art, Health, Science.</b>
2	<b>Blue pens</b>
2	<b>Red Pens</b>
2	<b>Pencils</b>
1	<b>Rubbers</b>
1	<b>Pencil Sharpener</b>
1	<b>Ruler- clear, hard plastic-NOT bendy please.</b>
1	<b>Glue stick</b>
2	<b>Highlighters-Different colours</b>
1	<b>Packet of coloured pencils</b>
1	<b>Ream of white photo copy paper</b>

### Note:

**Please ensure all stationery is named clearly- it is not necessary to write subject name.**

**It is fine to used partly or unused books and other equipment from last year !**

**Warehouse Stationery have a copy of our list – remember to tell them this is for Aberfeldy School and the school receives points.**

## Leadership Cluster Camp 2018 - Camp Raukawa

Proposed Timetable of events

### Thursday 8 February

10.00 – arrive at camp  
10.00 – 12.00 – settle into camp, orientation with camp managers, boundaries, set up students into groups, lunch  
12.30 – 2.00 – 1<sup>st</sup> rotation  
2.30 – 4.00 – 2<sup>nd</sup> rotation  
4.00 – afternoon tea  
  
4.30 – 5.30 – swim and water slide (these must be adult supervised at all times)  
  
5.30 – 6.30 – showers  
6.30 – 7.00 dinner (BBQ style)  
  
7.00 – 7.30 – reflection time in Tuia Book  
7.30 – 8.30 camp fire (need to bring marshmallows J )  
9.00 – lights out.

### Friday 9 February

Breakfast 8.00 – 8.30 (pack bags up from inside cabins)  
  
9.00 – 10.30 – 3<sup>rd</sup> rotation  
10.30 – morning tea  
  
11.00 – 12.00 – clean up camp (everyone must clean all areas – cabins, kitchen...)  
  
12.00 – lunch (American hotdogs?)  
1.00/1.30 – depart camp back to school

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**Activities: rotations are 1 ½ hour**

#### Instructor Activities

High Ropes  
*(with 2 groups working on each side, and obstacles course and tyre over pole)*  
Flying fox  
Orienteering  
Minefield  
Burma Trail

## Proposed Timetable of rotations

Rotation	Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D	Group E	Group F
1	1 ½ hours High Ropes ( Instructor Activity) Obstacles Course & Tyre over pool		45 minutes Flying Fox	45 minutes Orienteering	45 minutes Burma Trail	45 minutes Minefield
			45 minutes Orienteering	45 minutes Flying Fox	45 minutes Minefield	45 minutes Burma Trial
2	45 minutes Burma Trail	45 minutes Minefield	1 ½ hours High Ropes ( Instructor Activity) Obstacles Course & Tyre over pool		45 minutes Flying Fox	45 minutes Orienteering
	45 minutes Minefield	45 minutes Burma Trial			45 minutes Orienteering	45 minutes Flying Fox
3	45 minutes Flying Fox	45 minutes Orienteering	45 minutes Burma Trail	45 minutes Minefield	1 ½ hours High Ropes ( Instructor Activity) Obstacles Course & Tyre over pool	
	45 minutes Orienteering	45 minutes Flying Fox	45 minutes Minefield	45 minutes Burma Trial		

### Cost per student including GST - \$45 (at this stage)

Our thoughts on food-

Day 1	Lunch	Brought from home
	Afternoon tea	Fruit and home baking
	Dinner	BBQ – hamburgers in buns with coleslaw, sausages in bread Dessert – fruit salad & ice-cream Marshmallows around campfire
Day 2	Breakfast	Weetbix & milk (supplied by schools with Breakfast in Schools) with fruit
	Morning tea	Fruit & home baking
	Lunch	Hotdogs