



# ABERFELDY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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29th January 2019 - Week 1 / Term 1

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Greetings to all Parents , Caregivers, and whanau,

The first week back at school is well underway! We are pleased to welcome some new students - Ahlia and Haylea (coming to us from Australia!) and DeeJay and Jayden and also joining our school.

Sadly a couple of families circumstances have changed and we say goodbye to Ashleigh and Ezekiel (who have moved to New Plymouth) and Iris and Azalea. We are also expecting another couple of new enrolments within the next week or two so our role should remain steady at around the 28 - 30 mark.

We are very lucky to have Jonny (Teacher Aide) with us for the next three weeks, before he goes back to University.

We already have a busy term planned - and already there are changes! The Seniors Technology day at Cullinane College has changed from Wednesday to Thursday - with the first day being the 14th February. Please read all the additional notes below relating to various activities during the first few weeks of term.

## **TUESDAY 5th FEBRUARY - Kakatahi Fun Day:**

Aberfeldy School will be joining Kakatahi School, Orautoha School and Mangamahu School for a "Fun Day" - being hosted by Kakatahi School at their little school, further up the Parapara Highway. We will be taking part in swimming, games and some good old country "socializing". Children will need to bring their togs, towel, sun hat, good morning tea and lunch and plenty to drink! We will be travelling up in the school van and cars if needed. If you would like to join us you are welcome but you will need to advise us early so we can see if we are able to accommodate you travel wise.

## **WAITANGI DAY:**

Remember - **Waitangi Day is on Wednesday 6th February** and there will be **NO SCHOOL** that day.

## **COMMUNITY PICNIC -**

### **Get Together:**

We are going to have a community picnic at Kowhai Park on **Friday 8th February from 12.30pm** onwards. Students will come to school as usual but will be transported back to town at 12.00pm. Bring your picnic lunch and drink (non-alcoholic!) and meet us at the park for a get together to meet new families and old friends.

All Aberfeldy families, friends and whanau are welcome to come along and share this time together. Children will stay and enjoy the water and playground until 2.45pm - after which they will be returned home, slightly earlier than usual.



## **TECHNOLOGY - YEAR 7 & 8:**

This year our Year 7 & 8 students will be attending technology at Cullinane College for technology on a **Thursday morning at 11.40am** - starting on Thursday 14th February. Students will need to wear covered in shoes and have long hair tied back please.



## **RIPPA RUGBY & TACKLE SESSIONS:**

Our students will travel over to Mangamahu School on **Monday 18th February** to take part in Rippa Rugby & Tackle sessions with a Sport Whanganui Coach - more details to come...

## **Year 7 & 8 LEADERSHIP CAMP:**

Our Year 7 & 8 students will be joining with our Cluster School group (Aberfeldy, Fordell, Mangamahu, Okoia, Upokongaro and Whangaehu schools) to take part in a Leadership Camp on the 25th & 26th February staying overnight at Green Pastures Camp - more details will follow.

## **Aberfeldy School Swimming Sports:**

Our own school swimming sports will be taking place at the Wanganui East Swimming Pools on Friday the 1st March (*just waiting for confirmation on that date*). This is just for our students - all ages, and we would love to have as many parents as possible come along and support our students. There is a nice outdoor area at the pools and after the competitions have finished children will be able to go on the hydro slide. Start time will be 11.00am - followed by a picnic lunch at the pools and free swim time till 2.30pm.

## **SEAWEEK - 4th to 8th March:**

We will be taking part in the national Seaweeek programme with details as to what we are doing yet to be confirmed - usually this involves a trip to the beach and other activities.



## **Cluster Inter-School Swimming Sports:**

This will be held on Friday - 8th March for the more competitive swimmers. More details to follow once the programme has been finalized by the host school.

## **CAMP!!!**

We have booked camp for the last week of Term - for a whole week! We will be leaving on Monday morning 8th April and returning on Friday afternoon 12th April. This will be a "whole" school camp.



We will be staying at the Eltham School Camp and be going to lots of fun, educational and exciting places. The programme is yet to be confirmed but hopefully will include places like - Tawhiti Museum, Stoney Oakes Wildlife Park, Lake Rotokare (scenic reserve) Pioneer Village, Pouakai Zoo or Brooklands Zoo, New Plymouth wave pool and Chaddy's Charters.



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### **CHARTER Consultation / Planning:**

All parents and caregivers are invited to have input into our 2019 Charter and planning for the 2019 year.

A copy of our Aberfeldy School Charter, and a survey about planning, is attached. Please read this document and have your say! All ideas are welcome. Be in to win a \$50 Pak'n'Save Voucher if you return your documents by the 8th February!



### **Stationery List:**

Attached is our stationery list for 2019 - this is also available at Warehouse Stationery.



If you are purchasing your items from Warehouse Stationery please advise them that the "points" are to go to Aberfeldy School.

### **SWIMMING & SUMMER WEATHER:**

Make sure children bring togs and towel every day - and a plastic bag to put their wet gear in.



Children need to wear a sun hat when outside - hopefully we will get our new sunhats in the next few weeks. Children also need to wear sunblock when outside and seek shade under our trees etc. It is often a good 5 degrees hotter up here than in town and the sun is really strong at the moment - it doesn't take long for young skin to burn!

### **Friends of Aberfeldy School:**

We are hoping to reinstate our FOAS (Friends of Aberfeldy School) which used to operate several years ago and was very successful in organizing such things as fundraising, working bees and social get together's. Anyone that is interested in this could email the school [aberfeldy.class@xtra.co.nz](mailto:aberfeldy.class@xtra.co.nz) or phone the school - whether or not you have children currently attending.



### **VAN & Van Payments:**

The vans should be back in to a set routine now so pick up and drop off times should be (almost) set. Please advise the drivers if your child is not going to be at school or does not need picking up.



Could parents please ensure their van payments for the start of the Year are set up - there has been a slight increase in the van fees (first time since we have been running the vans!) It is now \$20 per week for up to 2 children - with an additional \$5 per student after that.

### **Bank account for van payments:**

**02-0792-0329292-025**

Please use your name as a reference. Thank you to those families that make regular payments or have set up automatic payments

### **REMINDERS ....**

**Please do not send your child to school with any of the following items -**

- \* Energy Drinks (be aware of what is your children's drinks - often "sports" drinks or "fruit" drinks contain up to 40gm of sugar!)
- \* I Pads, Cell phones, tablets etc - these are NOT allowed at school. There is no cell phone coverage at school. If you need to contact your child, or your child needs to contact you, they are able to use the school landline.
- \* Combustibles / - eg. lighters, matches, or anything else that contains flammable gasses or liquids.
- \* Medication - if your child requires medication this should be sent to school in a sealed bag with a note of who the student is and the dosage / times required and this must be handed in to the office.
- \* Lollies - especially chewing gum or bubble gum - again the very high sugar content in these items can affect the children's learning, as well as causing arguments between the who has them and who hasn't.



### **LUNCH ORDERS - MONDAY 4th February 2019**

"Macaroni Cheese" followed by "Fruit Sponge and Custard"

**\$5.00 per student**



Student Name(s): .....

Total Enclosed: \$.....

# Aberfeldy School Stationery Lists 2019



## Year 1 - 3

1	Clever Kiwi 'How to Write book .'
1	Clever Kiwi 'My Writing Book – 12 mm.'
2	Clever Kiwi 'Fun Doing Maths.'
2	Scrap books-Warwick or similar
2	3 B 1 Note books
2	Pencils-good quality please
1	Pencil Sharpener
1	Rubbers
1	Ruler- Hard clear plastic-NOT bendy please
1	Packet colouring pencil/ Felt tips
1	Glue Stick
1	Ream of white photocopy paper

## Year 4-8

4	1B8 Literacy- reading, writng, word work.
2	Clever Kiwi 'Fun Doing Maths- Book 2'
3	Project Books (Warwick or similar scrapbook) –Social Sciences, Art, Health, Science.
2	3 B 1 Notebooks
2	Blue pens
2	Red Pens
2	Pencils
1	Rubbers
1	Pencil Sharpener
1	Ruler- clear, hard plastic-NOT bendy please.
1	Glue stick
2	Highlighters-
1	Packet of coloured pencils / felt tips
1	Ream of white photo copy paper
1	<b>Year 7 &amp; 8 only Scientific calculator</b>

### Note:

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

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