



ABERFELDY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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16th August 2019 - Week 4 / Term 3

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Greetings to all Parents, Caregivers, and whanau,

We have had a great week with our students working on their enviro projects. Four groups of students are painting murals on the walls or on boards for the fence. Another group has planted pots of herbs which will be sold once they have all grown, and another group have just started sewing recyclable shopping bags which will also be sold.

Along with the laundry basket grocery raffle, the money raised will be used to buy equipment and supplies for our enviro playground and gardens.

TEACHER ONLY DAY -

26th AUGUST:

All teaching and Admin staff are required to attend a Restraint Safety training course. Unfortunately this has to be held on a week day so Aberfeldy School, along with other small schools in our district, will need to have a TEACHER ONLY DAY on **Monday 26th August**.

Please make alternative arrangements for your child for this day as there will be NO Staff at school.



Grocery Raffle:

Just a reminder to send along items for our grocery raffle - and household item that is non-perishable would be great.

Some students have been sent home raffle tickets to sell - if you can't sell them all please return them to school, along with the sold ones and monies, so that other students can then try to sell the unsold ones.

We will only make money from this raffle if all the tickets are sold and if we have a great laundry basket brimming with goodies!

STEAM:

Launch Pad - Mission to Mars over the next few weeks our students will be undertaking a series of STEAM challenges, which involve working as a team to establish a colony on Mars. Our first challenge was to establish why it is important to work as a team and make a space rocket, using blowing power to launch it.

Caught Being Good Students:

These students have been caught being good this week - keep up the good work -

- * Myah Terrey
- * Te Rangimarie Tohiariki
- * Jack Ratana
- * Eden Patterson
- * Hineowai Tohiariki
- * Ahlia Manuel
- * Anthony TE Ahuru-Falwasser

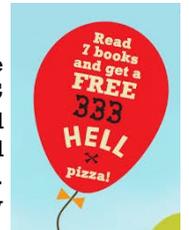


HELLS PIZZA:

From now till the end of the year we are taking part in the HELL's PIZZA READING CHALLENGE - where students must read books (suitable to their age level) and have them marked off on the pizza wheel. When their wheel is full (7 books) they get a voucher for a free 333 Kids Pizza.

Children will be required to complete book reviews on the books that they have read.

Hells Pizza asks that we monitor this very carefully - so that their generosity is not being abused, with the aim being to get more children reading more books.



ASSEMBLIES:

Our school assemblies, led by our senior students leaders, take place each Friday at 2.30pm, where certificates are given out, work and items are shared.

All whanau are welcome to attend.



LUNCH ORDERS - MONDAY 19th AUGUST 2019

"Cottage Pie and Rice Pudding & Custard"

\$5.00 per student



Student Name(s):

Total Enclosed: \$.....



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EVENTS COMING UP:

THURSDAYS - Senior students to Technology and activities in town

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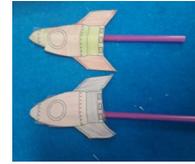
Friday 6th September - Cross Country at Whangaehu School

Tuesday 24th September - DUFFY Theatre at school

Thursday 26th September - Ice Skating at Girls College (Date tbc)

Friday 27th September - LAST Day of Term Three - school will finish early

MONDAY 14th OCTOBER - Term Three Starts.



Mission Overview

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NASA:
National
Aeronautics
and Space
Administration

Congratulations! You have been selected as the newest member of the United States astronaut class to embark on a mission to Mars! Your team was selected from over 18,000 applicants.

My name is Astronaut Alex, and I am your commander for the mission to Mars. I will be here to support your crew on every step of the journey. Why are we going to Mars? NASA has evidence of water on Mars. Our mission is to collect a sample of water and bring it back to Earth for testing. Read over the NASA Breaking News alert to learn more. Eventually, NASA wants to build a human colony on Mars, and we need to learn as much as possible about living there. Would you want to live on Mars?

Before you go, we must visit the astronaut training facility in NASA's Johnson Space Center located in Houston, Texas. As an astronaut, your job is to explore deep space, perform spacewalks, and conduct experiments in zero gravity. This dangerous job requires two years of training.

All astronauts have an advanced college degree in a STEM subject. STEM stands for science, technology, engineering, and math. Throughout our mission, STEM professionals will help our crew as we travel and explore Mars.

But first, do you have what it takes? Let's see if you can master a difficult but important skill for astronauts: working as a team. Best of luck! ~Astronaut Alex



Team Challenge

Astronauts are part of a crew. Each member has a different role. The crew must work together to successfully complete a mission.

1. What do you think is the hardest part of working as a team?

2. Why do you think working as a team is important on a journey to Mars?



Great work today! Teamwork and communication are very important for our difficult mission to Mars. Next week, we will complete our astronaut training by learning important information about the harsh environment on Mars. What do you already know about Mars?

Do you want to learn more about astronauts? Download the *Junior Astronaut* app to learn what it takes to plan a trip to space and back! ~Astronaut Alex



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