



# Abergowrie State School Newsletter

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## Principal's Report

Welcome back to Term 3!

Welcome to our newest family— The McCormack's. It has been wonderful having Natalina and Travis join our school.

This semester I have introduced 'Communication Books' to share with you some of your child/ren's successes, goals and activities at school. I thought it would be a great tool to keep you informed of what is happening at school, for reminders from school, for you to be able to communicate directly with teachers but most importantly celebrate your child's achievements with them.

As you can appreciate, completing notifications can be a time consuming process but the staff and I will endeavour to communicate as often as possible—unfortunately we can not guarantee every day. Please feel free to communicate using this tool however you please—they will be checked for messages daily. I have enjoyed reading such positive comments from parents already.

I have scheduled Parent / Teacher Interviews for the Tuesday and Wednesday of Week 5. If you would like to make an appointment please return the attached form as soon as possible.

'Wicked Wednesday' is looking good for 100% of our students. Arrangements are still being finalised but it will a 'free' fun day out as a reward for excellent attendance. This incentive is already proving worthwhile with an increase in student attendance data already. Remember, every lesson, every day counts.

Have a lovely fortnight—from the luckiest Principal in the world!

Lydia Jamieson  
Principal

## Tuckshop

The next tuckshop will be on **Tuesday 23rd July**. Spaghetti cups and other yummy items will be available.

## Date Claimer

2 Aug—Upper Herbert Sports Day (Trebonne SS)  
14 Aug— Professional Development (Lydia away)  
16 Aug—Small Schools Sports Carnival (Forrest Beach SS)  
21 Aug—Regional Principals' Forum (Lydia away)  
22 Aug—Regional Principals' Forum (Lydia away)  
30 Aug—Barnes Cup (Forrest Beach SS)  
18 Sept —Wicked Wednesday (Attendance Reward)  
19 Sept—Macknade Touch Carnival  
20 Sept—Last day of Term 3  
20 Sept—Jump Rope for Heart

## P&C

The next P&C Meeting will be held on Wednesday 17th August at 7:30pm in the staffroom. All parents are encouraged to attend.

## School Opinion Surveys

Just a reminder that all Parent Opinion Surveys need to be returned by **Friday 26th July**—which is next Friday. If you have completed your survey online can you please notify me using the communication book. Thank you.

## Favourite Photo



Cooperative learning in maths

## Parent / Teacher Meetings

Parent/Teacher Meetings will be held in Week 5 on Tuesday 6th & Wednesday 7th August. If you would like to make an appointment for either of these afternoons please list your first three preferences on the sheet attached and a confirmation notification of your appointment time will be sent home as soon as possible..

## School Rules

As part of our most recent Responsible Behaviour Plan review, we have chosen to adopt four very simple rules for our school. They are:

*Be Safe*

*Be a Learner*

*Be Respectful*

*Be Responsible*

We will be actively teaching these rules at school to emphasise the importance of demonstrating appropriate behaviours at all times, and to highlight that there are expectations in place for all stakeholders not just the students. We will also be discussing the procedures that the school will follow and the consequences of unacceptable actions or behaviours.

An overview of the rules, expectations for students, parents and staff has been attached. Please take the time to read the behavioural expectations and sign and return the parent acknowledgement of the Classroom Responsible Behaviour Plan as soon as possible. An update version of the new Responsible Behaviour Plan will be available to read on our school website.

*Community announcements are attached.*

Friday 19th July, 2013  
Week 2/ Term 2

*Abergowrie State School*  
*Establishing a positive culture of high expectations for learning and life*

