

ABERFELDY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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18th October 2021 Week 1 Term Four

Greetings to all Parents, Caregivers, and whanau.

Van Payments:

Please ensure you restart your van payments this week, as the van now must be paid in advance. \$20.00 per week. If you are paying for the term in advance it is \$180.00.

Bank account details -Aberfeldy School BNZ: 02-0792-0329292-25

<u>Teacher Only Day -</u> Friday 22nd October:

The school is having a Teacher Only
Day this Friday the 22nd October to allow the
teaching staff to review assessment data to
enable additional planning for the remainder
of Term 4 and to look at developing goals for
the draft 2022 Charter.

Labour Day - 25th October:

The following Monday, 25th October is Labour Day - there will be no school that day.

So, with the Teacher Only Day on the Friday, and Labour Day on the Monday, this will give you all a LONG WEEKEND.

New Students:

Welcome to Vinny and Quinn that have started with us this term, with the possibility of another girl starting soon too!

We will need to assess the van requirements for the start of 2022 even though we have 5 Year 8 students leaving, we already have preenrolments for next year. If you know of anyone planning on sending their child to our school please encourage them to pre enrol now, so we can secure their place on the van.

Swimming:

Dependant on the temperature, we hope to start swimming when we come back after Labour weekend. Students need to bring their togs, towel and a bag for wet gear to be put in, every day please. Swimming is part of our school curriculum and we are very lucky to have our own swimming pool.

Sunhat & Sunblock:

Aberfeldy School is a Sunsmart School and we require our students to wear a hat if outside during term one and term four. Students are able to bring their own hats so long as they provide some form of shade to their face (either a brim or a peak). School will have some spare hats available. If children do not want to wear hats then hey must stay in the shade during break times. Children are also required to eat their lunch in our designated outdoor area which is under cover.

Remember that Aberfeldy School sits in its own little micro climate and it can get to be 2-5 degrees hotter at school than in town.

The school will have a supply of sunscreen that children are able to use, or you can send your own along with your children.

Our school policy on being Sunsmart -

- Requires all children to wear broad brimmed hats (minimum 7.5 cm), bucket hats (min. 6cm or legionnaire hats that protect their face, neck and ears. Baseball hats or peaked hats are not considered a suitable alternative when they are outside e.g. interval, lunch, sports, excursions and activities during Terms 1 and 4.
- The school will provide extra hats for the children to burrow
- Implement a **No hat ,play in the shade'** rule in the school.
- Requiring children that do not have a hat or won't wear a hat to play in the shade or inside
- Encourage children to wear clothing that protects the skin from the sun e.g. sleeves, collars, rash vests or T shirts for outdoor swimming.



Year 7 & 8 Technology:

Technology starts again this Thursday for the Year 7 & 8 students. Thank you to the parents that are collecting their children from technology in the afternoon - this enable the students to be able to stay for the entire length of the programme.