



ABERFELDY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Greetings to all Parents, Caregivers, and whanau,

We are now halfway through Term Two!

It has been great having Mangamahu School join us on Thursday morning to take part in the Sport Whanganui programme and other activities. Currently we are exploring volcanoes with Mrs Irwin helping the children make models of volcanoes this week.

Personally I would like to acknowledge and thank the local community who rallied around with offers of help when I was stranded at Aberfeldy School on Tuesday evening with a second flay tyre in two weeks! It was very much appreciated.

No SCHOOL on MONDAY!

This weekend is Queen's Birthday weekend so there is no school on Monday, the 6th June!

We will see you all back on Tuesday.

There will also be no school on Friday 24th June due to **Matariki Day**.



Life Ed:

Harold the giraffe has had to postpone his planned visit due to Covid - we hope he is feeling better soon and we look forward to Harold coming out to Aberfeldy later in the year.



Sexual Education:

Sexuality education is part of the New Zealand Curriculum, and it is a required part of the Health and Physical Education learning area from Years 1 – 10, although we will only be focusing on the children in Years 5, 6, 7 and 8. The purpose of sexuality education is to provide students with the knowledge, understanding and skills to develop positive attitudes towards sexuality, to take care of their sexual health, and to enhance their interpersonal relationships, now and in the future. The children will be taught using a programme based on The Sexuality Road – Discovering Me, developed by Family Planning. The following topics will be covered:

1. Changing bodies and feelings
2. Relationships
3. Communication and decision making
4. Reproduction
5. Supports available.

Parents are welcome to contact me to discuss the programme or to view any of the teaching materials used. Sexuality education is a valuable part of a child's learning and so I hope that all children in the class will be present for this programme. However, if you do not wish your child to participate please let me know before the programme starts in the week beginning on the 1st of August.

DUFFY CAUGHT BEING GOOD BOOKS

This weeks Caught Being Good students are

- Tania and Miracle - for getting full marks in recent tests.
- Vinny for being generally helpful and polite.
- Brodie and Quinn for general improvement.
- Ihaia for making huge leaps in his reading.
- Kaleb for helpfulness in the Junior room.



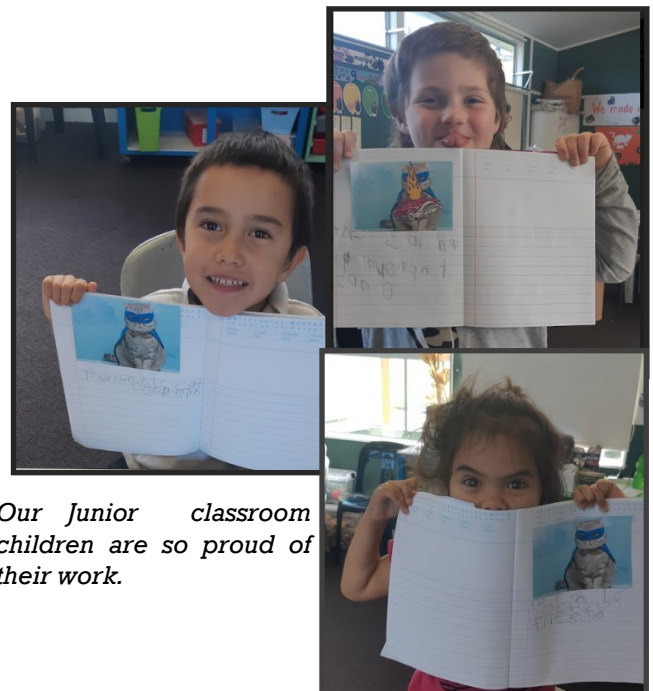
Seesaw:

Many parents will be familiar with the Seesaw program which enables student to share work with their teacher and the teacher to share work and comments with the parents. We will be sending home some more information about See Saw in the next few weeks and whanau will be invited to join See Saw in Term Three.

Student Assessment & Reporting:

Assessment of all children will be undertaken shortly, starting in Week 8, with written reports being sent home prior to the end of term.

Three way interviews (child / parent / teacher) will take place early Term Three.



Our Junior classroom children are so proud of their work.