



ABERFELDY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Greetings to all Parents, Caregivers, and whanau,

Welcome back everyone to what is our final term for 2022!!! This is a short term with only 9 weeks and we have a lot packed into this term.

NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY - LABOUR DAY:

Remember there is no school on Monday, 24th October, as this is Labour Day. We hope you all enjoy a nice long weekend and we will see you back on Tuesday.



LATER FINISHING TIME:

We have returned to the slightly later finishing time of 2.45pm for Term Four, so expect your children home a little later from now on.

YEAR 7 & 8 STUDENTS - Trip to Mangamahu.

On Wednesday, 26th October, our Year 7 & 8 students will be going over to Mangamahu School for an authors visit with Anna MacKenzie who is a well known NZ author of fictional novels for young adults, teens and intermediate-aged children. Anna will be conducting a 3-hour interactive workshop for our 5 senior children.

The students will be travelling with Mr Paton, in the school van, going across Te Rimu Road. Students will come to school as per normal and return home after school as per normal. Please ensure your child brings lunch, snacks and a water bottle with them for the day.

Please complete the permission slip below and return to school - or complete the online form via the SKOOLLOOP app.

NATIONAL SHAKE OUT DAY - Thursday 27th October:

The school will be taking part in the National Shake Out day on Thursday, 27th October. This is a day when, those that wish to, take part in a national earthquake drill at 9.30am.



TECHNOLOGY:

Our Year 7 & 8 students continue to attend Cullinane College for technology on Thursdays. Thank you to the parents that have helped by collecting their children from Cullinane College in the afternoons - it is very much appreciated.

From next week the children will be doing cooking through till the end of term.

LOST LEARNING - Year 7 & 8 Students:

Our Year 7 & 8 students will benefit from some additional tutoring with Mrs McLean over the next few weeks to help with any gaps in their education through lost learning time from the Covid 19 Lockdowns. This is funded by the Ministry of Education who have recognised that this age group in particular have suffered from this disruption in these formative years of their education, before heading off to secondary school.

HAROLD THE GIRAFFE - Life Ed Programme:

Harold has made a recovery from Covid and will be coming to visit our school on Thursday 3rd, and Friday 4th November. The Junior students will be looking at Why is it so important to show empathy towards others? / What makes me different?



While the older students will focus on What is Peer pressure and how to deal with it? / How do we make good decisions? / Where do I go to for help?

SWIMMING:

Our school pool is nearly ready for swimming to start as soon as the weather is warm enough - hopefully by Week 3. Remember that swimming is part of our school curriculum and all children are expected to take part in this. We are very lucky to have a pool at our school.

DUFFY CAUGHT BEING GOOD BOOKS

This weeks Caught Being Good students are



- Ariana for great effort with her reading in Room One.
- Brodie for good behaviour and application
- Chevelle & Tayahna for effort in all areas
- Nicholas & Quin for diligence in their work

SENIORS TRIP TO MANGAMAHU SCHOOL - Wednesday 26th October 2022

PERMISSION SLIP

I give permission for my child (ren)..... to travel to Mangamahu School on Wednesday 26th October 2022.

I understand that my child needs to bring some food and a water bottle with them for the day.

Signed: (Parent / Caregiver) Date: