



# ABERFELDY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Greetings to all Parents, Caregivers, and whanau,

Well Covid has struck again and we have been without Mr Paton for the week! A big thank you to our community for being so awesome - to Jaime, Broke and Marcelle for helping out around school, to Mrs Lambert for relieving for us and to our parents and caregivers for being adaptable to pick up times and taking children to technology - everything has helped to make our week run smoothly and we thank you all.

Harold, the giraffe from Life Education, also came down with something and was not well enough to come to Aberfeldy School this week. We won't see him before the end of the year but we hope that he can visit us in Term One next year.

Hadi, from Zero Waste, was going to come out next week to talk with us about reducing waste but he has also become ill.

## **YEAR 7 & 8 STUDENTS - Dancing:**

Our Year 7 & 8 students are going to dancing at Kaitoke School on Friday mornings where they are joining the students from our other Rural Cluster Schools and learning some ballroom dancing. The Year 8 students will attend a formal dinner and dance on Friday evening, 2nd December - also to be held at Kaitoke School. More details will be sent home when we receive them.

## **SWIMMING:**

Our school pool is READY - please send children along with togs, towel and a plastic bag for their wet gear, starting from Monday - 7th November. If the weather is warm enough we will swim most days. Remember that swimming is part of our school curriculum and all children are expected to take part in this. If your child is not swimming then we expect a note from home stating why.

## **DUFFY CAUGHT BEING GOOD BOOKS:**

This weeks Caught Being Good students are -

- Vinnie for showing leadership skills and being helpful.
- Brodie for story writing.
- Jenelle for improvement in her writing.
- Peter-Ray for all round effort in Room One.



## **SUNSMART:**

Now that we are in term Four students must wear a sunhat when playing outside - we have some at school but you are welcome to send along your own ones. There is also sunblock at school - if your child is allergic to sunblock please let us know ASAP!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

### **Tuesday 15th November - Cluster Athletics**

We will be joining with the Rural Cluster School for an Athletics day at Cooks Gardens. All students will attend, with the younger children (5-6 years old) taking part in organised games, whilst the older students rotate through a series of different athletic activities.

### **Wednesday 30th November - Botanical Gardens**

We will be joining Mangamahu School at the Botanical Gardens (on the way out to Kai Iwi Beach) from 10.00am to 2.00pm, for a fun day and to maintain our friendships Mangamahu School. Jen from Sport Whanganui will be joining as well. The children will be doing some orienteering, playing games and having a picnic lunch.

### **Friday 2nd December - Tough Kids**

Mitre 10 Tough Kids is being held at Cooks Gardens on Friday 2nd December. This is a HUGE event, and a long, hot day! We will have a junior programme for our younger children to do in town that day - yet to be confirmed.

### **Friday 2nd December - Year 8 Dine & Dance**

To be held at Kaitoke School - more details to come.

### **Friday 9th December - Craft Day / End of Year Prize Giving**

Planning is underway for our Craft Day (usually a Pet Day but probably no pets this year). Instead we will be doing crafts like last year, possibly a young farmer competition, have a shared community lunch, followed by Prize Giving and a small production by the students. This day will be open for all whanau to attend - more details to come. If you would like to volunteer to run a craft activity for the students in the morning please contact the school.

### **Monday - 12th December End of Year Trip**

We are planning on going to Tawhiti Museum in Hawera for a full day of fun! If we have time we may go to the swimming pool in Hawera. There will be a small charge of **\$20 per student** to attend on this day - so you have plenty of time to start saving. We have enough adults attending, but if you would like to join us you will be welcome to (sorry - \$20 charge applies to adults as well) - please get in early to book seats on the van, or you can bring your own transport,

*More details to follow on all of the above activities in the next few weeks.*

**END OF TERM - last day of 2022 is  
Tuesday 13th December**

**REMEMEBR YOUR TOGS  
for Monday**

