



ABERFELDY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Greetings to all Parents, Caregivers, and whanau,

Finally we are back at school and the roads seem fine. Thank you to everyone for your understanding last week with the constant changing plans. We are unable to operate the school van on a road that is "legally" closed. The state of some of the other roads around us means that we have had to postpone our planned sports day with Mangamahu and Kakatahi schools but this will go ahead at another date.

Welcome to Braxton and his family who have joined our school and live in the wonderful Aberfeldy district, and also DeeJay who has returned to Aberfeldy School. Those children that attended the New Zealand Airforce band concert had an enjoyable time.

YEAR 8 LEADERSHIP CAMP (Day):

As per an earlier email sent out by Mr Paton our three Year 8 students (Miracle, Vinny and Nicholas) will be attending a Leadership Camp tomorrow at Springvale Sports Stadium, by the Splash Centre.

Mr Paton will pick up Vinny at 8.00am, followed by Nicholas and then Miracle (who is staying in town).

The students will need to bring their own lunch, morning tea, drinks and suitable clothing for taking part in several sporty type challenges and they must have closed shoes.

YEAR 7 & 8 TECHNOLOGY:

Our Year 8 students are returning to Cullinane College on a Thursday for technology. The first block of work they are doing is Art and Music. Students need to have long hair tied up and must also wear closed shoes.

Where possible it would be most helpful if children can be collected from technology at the conclusion of the day at 1.30pm. This will be confirmed each week with the individual parents / caregivers.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

Mr Paton and Raewyn will be away at a Liz Kane course on Wednesday and Thursday next week. Mrs Irwin will be at school along with Marcelle and / or Jaime. Jaime will be driving the school van.

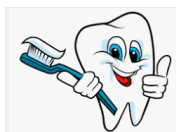
2023 SCHOOL CHARTER / IMPROVEMENT PLAN:

The Board of Trustees have drafted the 2023 Improvement Plan—which contains our strategic goals and aims for 2023 and a breakdown of how this intends to be implemented. This document is based on achievement data and the needs of our students and school. If any school community member wishes to view the document, or offer input, they can contact the school but this needs to be uploaded to the Ministry of Education by the end of March.



DENTAL PERMISSION FORMS:

All students are bringing home a dental permission form, please complete and return this to school as the dental nurses will be here in a couple of weeks time. We have a dental nurse coming to school tomorrow to talk to the children re dental hygiene.



YEAR 8 HPV Forms:

Year 8 students have taken home an HPV consent form - please complete and return these ASAP also—even if you do NOT want your children having these immunisations.

CAUGHT BEING GOOD:

This weeks caught being good books are awarded to -

Kaleb Swinburne - staying on task and completing his work

Brodie Swinburne - making good choices in the playground

Braxton - Good work ethics

Quinn - Good work ethics



BIKES & SCOOTERS:

A massive thank you to Sophie who has been organizing getting all of our bikes fixed and sourcing some additional bikes, scooters and skate boards! A shout out to the team at TREK BIKES who have been doing a whole heap of puncture repairs for us! Children MUST wear helmets when riding the bikes, scooters and skateboards.

SPRINGVALE SCHOOL VEGE CHALLENGE:

Aberfeldy School has been accepted in to the Springvale Vege Challenge competition this year, We have received our start up pack of plants, seeds, seed raising mix, vegetable mix, and a planter box.

A massive thanks to the team at Springvale Garden Centre and their sponsors for making this possible.

Now we need to decide where we are putting this and start getting things underway.

We will be documenting our progress by photos to allow us to take part in the competition.

