TERM 1
PBL
MAJOR PRIZE DRAW WINNERS

Congratulations to our first PBL Major Draw winners for 2014. Each of our lucky winners received a $100 Reading Cinemas Gift Voucher for being Safe, Respectful Learners.

Infants: Cheslea Dunn
Primary: Caleb Vanderdrift
WRITING FOR BOYS WORKSHOP
Newcastle City Library

On Friday six Stage 3 students went to a Creative Writing for Boys workshop at the Newcastle City Library, where Tristan Bancks showed us how to write good pieces of writing. Tristan told us a good way to get ideas for your story is to write down your life experiences, so we did this. Then he put on music for us to listen to, and after that we wrote down what it remind us of.

Tristan showed us the trailer for his book “two Wolves” and it was a news report about a Queensland family that went missing on the East Coast.

We enjoyed the Creative Writing for Boys workshop because it taught us how to write good stories and we think it will help us with common writing and especially our NAPLAN.

Written by
Tom Reading & Josh Robertson

Our students are to be congratulated on their ability to use Stop, Walk, Talk strategies in our playground.
Keep up the great work!

Safe, Respectful Learners
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

From the start of Term 2 Abermain welcomes an extra full time staff member. Mrs Melinda Stokes has been appointed as an Instructional Leader at our school. Mrs Stoke will focus on working with teachers and students on Literacy and Numeracy in Kinder to Year 2 classrooms.

School will resume for Term 2 on Tuesday the 29th April. All staff will be attending a combined CCGPS Staff Development Day on Monday 28th April and the school will be closed on that day.

Mr Boughton
Principal

EASTER FESTIVITIES

On Friday 11th April, 2014 we will be celebrating the coming of Easter with a few exciting activities:

11am - 12 noon  LUNCH
Parents are invited to have lunch with their children. The P&C will be manning a BBQ with sausage sandwiches and cans of drink available for purchase. There will also be a Lolly Stall.

12:15pm  EASTER HAT PARADE
The Easter Hat Parade will start at 12:15pm with all students being involved.

EASTER EGG RAFFLE
The monster Easter Egg raffle will be drawn following the Parade. Tickets are available for purchase on the day.

ANZAC PARADE

All students are invited to march in the Abermain Township ANZAC Parade on Friday 25th April. Students wanting to march must wear full school uniform.

Student are to meet at 8:15am at the Plaza Hall in Bathurst Street. The March to Jeffries Park Cenotaph for service. A parent and Mrs King will meet and organise any children who attend - there will be a school banner at the front of the contingent and the P&C will purchase a wreath to be placed on the Cenotaph. This is an out-of-school event, therefore parents are responsible for the supervision of their own children.
Each week, our school website is updated with the weekly newsletter, permission notes, information notes, and class arrangement notices. There is a link to our newsletter on the front page of the website.
2014 STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL
A big welcome to our Student Representative Council (SRC) for Semester 1, 2014

Samantha Appleyard, Amarlie Wanasinghagee, Aron Janek, Aleah Finneran, Tahlee Roderick, Cameron Bate, Sharntel Hughes, Travis Haynes, Brayden Gay, Hope Taylor, Eain Harris, Ellie Mitchell, Jed Hawthorne, Kaitlyn Mitchell.

The Student Representative Council gives students an opportunity to have a voice in what is happening within the school.

SAFETY & SUPERVISION OF STUDENTS
If for any reason your child cannot be picked up from school at 3:15pm and no other arrangements have been made, your child will be required to wait on the back verandah of the school as this area is better able to be supervised. Children are no longer allowed to wait near the front office nor front of the school.

Parents will need to come through the front door past the office to collect their child and must notify a staff member of pick-up.

STAR STRUCK - “MAGIC HAPPENS”
We wish to remind parents/carers who have paid their child’s deposit for Star Struck - “Magic Happens” that the next instalment of $40 is due on or before 9th May, 2014.

WANGAT LODGE
We wish to remind Year 5-6 parents/carers who have paid their child’s deposit for Wangat Lodge that the next instalment of $35 is due on or before 10th April, 2014.
On Wednesday 9th April, 2014, students in both Year 3 and Year 4 visited Megamania at Charlestown. The students thoroughly enjoyed themselves and are to be congratulated on their good behaviour.
P&C DISCO

On Friday 11th April, 2014 the P&C will be holding a free kids Disco and Meat Raffle at Abermain Bowling Club. The disco operates between 6pm - 9pm. Ticket sales in the raffle commence at 6pm and the draw commences at 7pm and lasts for approximately 45 minutes. Students must be accompanied and supervised by an adult - Club Rules apply. Hope to see you there!

P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held at Abermain Public School on Monday 12th May, 2014 starting at 5pm.

EASTER FESTIVITIES - BBQ & LOLLY STALL

The P&C will be manning a BBQ and Lolly Stall at the Easter Festivities being held at the school on Friday 11th April, 2014. The BBQ will be available during lunch (11-12noon) and there will be sausage sandwiches and cans of drinks available for purchase. There will also be lollies for sale at the Lolly Stall.

Canteen Help Form

(Please cut out and return as soon as possible)

I would be willing to help in the canteen:

- [ ] One day a week
- [ ] One day per fortnight
- [ ] One day per month
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