

ABERCORN NEWSLETTER



Issue 1 4th February 2021

Dear Parents and Friends,

We are thrilled to be back! 2021 will be an exciting year for our little school with lots of new faces.

WELCOME NEW STUDENTS & STAFF

We have six new students for 2021.

Libby will join Max and Koby in year 2. Our Preps for 2021 are Jasimine, Henry, Mac, Bennett and Zander. Our P-2 class this year has 9 students and the 3-6 class has 12.

We have been very lucky to gain extra staffing this year and now have Ms Zoe White with us on Mondays. Ms White will teach 3-6 Maths and Science, as well as P-2 Science on her days here.

Welcome back to all our wonderful staff and students – it's a pleasure to be working with you again ☺.

SCHOOL LEADERS

This week our year 6 students presented speeches to the staff and students, who voted for our 2021 School and Sports captains.

Congratulations to:

School Captains: Mitchell & Gemma

Sports Captains: Jordi & Jesse

AUSTRALIA DAY ANTICS

The students were treated to some fun and games last Friday as they celebrated being an Australian.

TUCKSHOP

Thank you to the families who have already volunteered to cook for Tuckshop. The roster is attached for families to send back their preferred dates.



KEEP UP TO DATE – SCHOOL WEBSITE

Mrs Nielsen has been working very hard to revamp our school website.

This year families can check it to find current and old newsletters, tuckshop rosters, upcoming events/calendar and general information and photos.

Our website is: www.abercornss.eq.edu.au

Kind regards

Bec and Tanya

Co-Principals

NEWS & EVENTS PAGE



January/February Birthdays

- 7th January - Libby
- 8th January - Ms Becky
- 12th February - Gemma
- 16th February - Prue

Want to include a birthday? Please let us know!

Tuckshop Roster

Find attached Tuckshop Roster for Term 1, could parents please fill out their preferred week and menu and return to the school asap. We now have 12 families, so the roster will roll out til the first few weeks of Term 2. Parents may choose to both lunch and smoko or share, which ever is most suitable for you. Tuckshop is a major fundraiser for the school and all funds go towards school camps and other student/family activities throughout the year.

Newsletter Email

We love to share our school news and our student's successes. If you would like to include any other family members or friends in our Newsletter email group please contact the office with details.

School Website

Our Abercorn School Website is continually being updated and contains our upcoming events Calendar, Tuckshop Roster and Newsletters. Navigate to our website at www.aberncornss.eq.edu.au to keep up with our school happenings

2020 Office Days

Becky is working on Tuesday and Thursday this year. Office hours are 8.30 to 4.00



Student Project Club Fundraiser

Please bring all eligible refund containers to the school for student fundraiser.

For eligible containers please look for the 10c refund symbol. NO wine bottles or lids.

We ask if you could please separate cans and bottles.

Drop off is at school entrance

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb 24 – North Burnett Softball and AFL Trails

Mar 17 – School Photos

Mar 26 – North Burnett Netball, Soccer and Rugby League Trails

Mar 29 – Arts Council Eidsvold State School

Prep-2 Update

All stations go!

By the time you read today's newsletter our Preps will have learnt their first 3 sounds – **s, a, and t**. This may seem like a strange sequence to learn sounds (rather than a,b,c) however by day 3 our Preps could sound out and read the words at and sat 😊.

Calling all lovers of stories.....

During English this term students will be reading lots of stories – most fantasy-type. We would LOVE it if our Mums, Dads, grandparents and friends could pop into our class and read one of their favourite stories to the children. We had our adopt-a-cop, Geoff read today and in the coming weeks we will hear some wonderful stories of the Wakka Wakka people from Doris Chapman.

Our 1-2s have a new spelling program this year, which is an off-chute of Jolly Phonics. They have their own text book and each week they will cover a new spelling concept as well as grammar. We like the program because the spelling words follow a more sensible sequence. They also set their words into different levels of difficulty which helps all spellers.

Preps are completing lots of different activities to help them count and recognise numbers. I am really impressed with they way they are counting one-to-one. This means they say a new number each time they touch an object they count. This skill is VITAL for Maths 😊.



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"2"

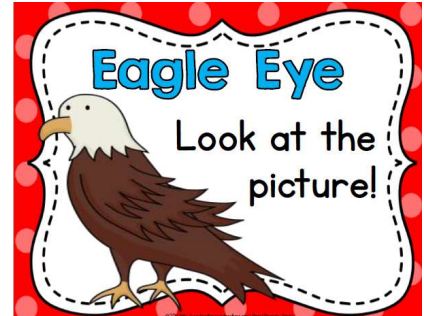
"3"

Teah (year 1) will be skip counting by 2s, 5s and 10s and our year 2s will be learning to read, write and show the value of numbers up to 9 999.

Science

Ms White will be looking at the sky this term with P-2s. Students went for a walk this week to observe the sky during the day time. They should try and have a look at the night sky when at home to compare. The goal for term 1 is for students to make dioramas of the day and night sky using the observations they have made.

Prep Reading Strategy



Mrs Nielsen's Curriculum Page

Maths - Place Value

Students are looking at place value concepts in this year's first unit -

Year 6 → positive and negative numbers

Year 5 → counting patterns with fractions

Year 4 → partitioning numbers in the ten thousands

Year 3 → adding and subtracting numbers, regrouping in three digit numbers

This year both classes are implementing a new numeracy program designed for small school multi-age classes. In the Top 10 Resources units students learn concepts and skills through interesting warm up games and activities, get hooked in to the investigation with a real life connection. After this groups conduct a sequence of investigations around a topic.

This week students have revised their numeracy skills through place value blocks exploration activities, such as counting and regrouping blocks to calculate how many ones in their first name!



HOMEWORK IS DUE TUESDAY



Students hard at work on their free writing.

English - Fantasy Narrative

This term we are analysing a main character of the fantasy novel Deltora Quest book 1 "The Forests of Silence" by Emily Rodda. For the next few weeks, students will be examining and inferring the meaning about the characters, events and setting, by understanding the words Ms Rodda used in the story. They will write an informative text describing these ideas and their reactions as the reader.



HASS - European Settlement in Australia

Students will be learning about the first Australians and their life before Europeans came, Captain Cook's exploration of the east coast, British settlement and early life in the English colony New South Wales.





STUDENT AWARDS



Wk 2 Students of the Week Awards
Gemma, Koby, Jordi, Zander & Prue



Wk 2 Student Leader Awards
Max & Pippa



2021 School Captains
Mitchell & Gemma



2021 Sports Captains
Jordi & Jesse



Aussie, Aussie, Aussie Day



Aussie lego
creations



Aussie flag bikkies



Wearing the colours of the flags



Mixing colours to paint
Australian animal pictures



Thong throwing contest

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	Term 1 2021						
1	Jan 25	26 Australia Day	27 First Day Term 1	28	29	31	31
2	Feb 1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
4	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
5	22	23	24 NB Softball & AFL Trails	25	26	27	28
6	Mar 1 NB Basketball & Touch Football Trails	2	3	4	5	6	7
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
8	15	16	17 School Photos	18	19	20	21
9	22	23	24	25	26 NB Netball, Soccer & Rugby League Trails	27	28
10	29 Arts Council	30	31	Apr 1 Last Day Term 1	2 Good Friday	4	5 Easter Sunday

Tuckshop Term 1 2021

Week	Lunch	Name	Smoko	Name
Week 1 28th January	Mince Pasta	Jodie Boto	Ice-Cream and Custard	Jodie Boto
Week 2 4th February	Chicken Gravy Rolls	Bec Hutson	Cupcakes and Fruit	Janelle Burnham
Week 3 11th February				
Week 4 18th February				
Week 5 25th February	Spaghetti Bolognese	Labell Drinkwater	Golden Syrup Choc Cake w Fudge Icing	Richiel Drinkwater
Week 6 4th March		Janelle Burnham		Bec Hutson
Week 7 11th March	Mince Rolls	Erin Davis	Cupcakes	Erin Davis
Week 8 18th March				
Week 9 25th March				
Week 10 1st April	Hard and Soft Tacos	Bec Scholl	Birthday Cake	Bec Scholl
<u>TERM 2</u> Week 1 22nd April				
Week 2 29th April				

Please Note: Parents could you please provide enough Tuckshop for 28. This number includes our students, including older students who often like 'seconds', and five staff.