



ABERFELDY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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11th March 2020

CONTACT DETAILS for VAN Please contact Raewyn before 7.30am, if your child will not be on the van :
Raewyn 027 211 4886 Remember there is no cell phone coverage at school - so Raewyn will not get messages sent in the afternoon until the van is back in town!

Dear whanau, caregivers and students,

Today we bid farewell to Matua Peter who has been helping out at school over the last few weeks. We hope to see him again next time he is back in Wanganui. Matua Wiremu helped the children compile a waiata for the powhiri for Matua Peter. With help from Matau Wiremu the children have made huge leaps and bounds with their Te Reo and Kapa Haka; Matua Wiremu has also been a huge asset around the school tidying things up and our raised gardens are now full of soil and are ready for planting!



GIRLS SELF DEFENCE COURSE:

Our Year 4 Girls and our Year 7 Girls will be taking part in a free self defence course where the girls will learn to -

- Think and act confidentially
- To be more aware of their safety
- Verbal and physical skills to keep themselves safe
- To seek support if needed.

The course will be held at Kaitoke School hall - with the Year 4's going on Monday the 16th March (accompanied by Whaea Bev) and the Year 7's going on Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th March (accompanied by Whaea Kathy). Please complete the attached permission slip. Note - if your daughter lives in town then she will be home early on these days. Whaea Bev will collect the Year 4 girls (Fern-Louise & Bella) from Aberfeldy on Monday morning and will then collect Heaven from town at approximately 8.45am. On Tuesday and Wednesday Whaea Kathy will collect Hineowai from home at approximately 8.45am.



TEACHER ONLY DAY:

Aberfeldy School will be having a **TEACHER ONLY DAY** on **Thursday 19th March** to allow our teaching staff to attend some PLD. There will be **NO SCHOOL** on this day.

YEAR 7 & 8 IMMUNISATION:

The Year 7 and 8 students will have their immunisations take place at school on **FRIDAY 20th March** at 1.30pm.



PRINCIPAL & STAFFING:

There were no successful applicants for the Principal position, based on the criteria and input from our school and community whanau consultation. Therefore we are looking to appoint a Relieving Principal for Term Two while we continue to advertise for a Principal to take our school through the next growth period. Whaea Kathy will complete her Fixed Term Teaching position at the end of this term and Whaea Bev will return to the Classroom Teacher position.

RIVERBOAT TRIP:

Our children enjoyed their River Board trip on Monday and we were lucky enough that the rain held off! Children that took part received a Certificate from the Riverboat Centre - this experience was thanks to the TC McCarthy Trust.

Year 7 & 8 - EPRO 8 Challenge:

Some of our Year 7 & 8 students will be taking part in the EPRO 8 competition on Monday 23rd March 2020. Epro 8 is an engineering / problem solving competition. Further information will be sent home next week.



Year 7 & 8 Old Coach Road

- Bike trip:

The Year 7 & 8 students may be taking part in a Tuia Challenge with our Rural Cluster School group. They will be biking (mountain bikes) the Old Coach Road from Horopito to Ohakune - this is approximately 3 hours - so the children need to be working on their fitness. We are trying to get some bikes for them to practice on!



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Aberfeldy School Girls SELF DEFENCE Permission Slip

I give permission for to take part in the Girls Self Defence on either Monday 16th March (Year 4) or Tuesday and Wednesday 17th & 18th March (Year 7).

Signed: Parent / Caregiver

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