



ABERDEEN

PUBLIC SCHOOL

TERM 2 WEEK 3

2025

16th May 2025

A message from the Principal

It's good to be back at school following some unexpected leave. I hope everyone enjoyed the wonderful events and activities that have occurred in the first few weeks back. I'd like to thank Mrs Mooring, Mrs Edwards, Mrs Kelly, the teachers, SLSOs and our administration officers for ensuring the school was not impacted by my absence. I appreciate that being down a team member who is not replaced puts pressure on others so I feel very grateful to have such a competent and dedicated team.

Congratulations to Kel Callaghan, a member of the P&C who works tirelessly to secure financial sponsorship and/or grants to support school safety and wellbeing programs, including water safety. This year, Kel successfully applied for funding through the Aberdeen Community Consultative Group and Upper Hunter Shire Council. This is a fantastic outcome for our families as it means all students in K-6 will receive up to two weeks of intensive swimming instruction in 2025, without any cost to households. Whether your child is an avid swimmer or a complete beginner, the intensive swimming program caters to all levels, starting with water awareness and progressing through to stroke correction and technical aspects.

Someone else also thinks our staff are amazing; gifting the school a box of Mask Air Fresheners. These have been put to great use in the classrooms and the common areas, making our school smell divine. We don't know who the generous donor or donors are, but we are very appreciative of your thoughtfulness and thank you for your kindness.

I wish our Stage 3 students, teachers and parents who are attending the excursion to Canberra next week a safe and enjoyable experience in our nation's capital. Thank you to Mrs Mooring and Mrs Edwards for their meticulous organisation.

APS students came to school on Wednesday with Crazy Hair styles and a gold coin donation to help Mrs McCamley and Team Trolls (Poppy and Branch) raise much needed funds for kids who are sick, experiencing disadvantage or living with a disability. We wish Team Trolls all the best in the old Toyota and hope this year they make it to the finish line and won't be awarded the trophy for 'Most Mechanical Failures'. We hope our fundraising of \$142.43 helps in some small way.

If you would like to donate please click on the below link.

<https://fundraise.varietynswact.org.au/fundraisers/nataliemccamley/nswbash25>



A special shout out to our P&C volunteers for preparing and serving the food for the Meal Deal on Wednesday. The hotdog and treats were devoured by students, with many lining up for seconds. On behalf of the school and our P&C, thank you to our families for your support. The canteen and subsequently, Meal Deal Days are one of the P&C fundraising strategies and all monies raised directly benefit our students. These combined events made for a very fun school day. Branch and Poppy look like they enjoyed the day, too!

K-2 Students had a fantastic time at the Jack Johnston Memorial Day on Tuesday where they were able to see and experience many aspects of rural life. Thank you once again to the Scone Horse Festival Committee for providing the bus transport for our students to the event and to Mrs Robens for her organisation.



Several students participated in the Upper Hunter PSSA Football (Soccer) trials in Scone on Thursday. Whilst the weather wasn't great, the experience most definitely was. Although our students missed out on selection in the 2025 team, all students showed resilience and sportsmanship throughout the event, qualities we value and appreciate at APS. Thank you to Mr Stutchbury for attending to support our players and to the parents who transported the children to the event. Your assistance was much appreciated.

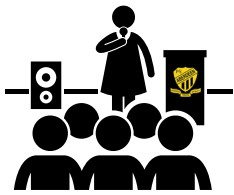




AWARD RECIPIENTS

WEEK 3

K Lime	Kobie W.
1/2 Blue	Axel H.
1/2 Indigo	Charlie H.
3/4 Black	Finley A.
5/6 Green	Boston H.
5/6 Magenta	Charnce W.



So many smiling faces enjoying a hot dog meal deal organised by our hard working P&C team on Wednesday.



IMPORTANT DATES

- **Tuesday 20th - Friday 23rd May** - Stage 3 Canberra Excursion
- **Wednesday 21st May** - K-2 Simultaneous Story Time- Aberdeen Library
- **Monday 26th May** - Spelling Bee Finals
- PSSA Soccer Gala Day
- **Thursday 29th May** - Athletics Carnival
- **Friday 30th May** - Flag Raising Ceremony
- Walk Safely to School Day
- **Monday 2nd June** - PSSA Netball Gala Day
- **Friday 6th June** - Celebration Assembly
- **Monday 9th June** - Kings Birthday Public Holiday



NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORY TIME



KINDERGARTEN, YEAR 1 & 2 STUDENTS WILL WALK TO ABERDEEN LIBRARY FOR NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORY TIME AT MIDDAY ON WEDNESDAY 21ST MAY. PERMISSION HAS BEEN PROVIDED ON THE GENERAL CONSENT FORM SIGNED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR.



Aberdeen Public School

Spelling Bee



WHO WILL BE THE SPELLING BEE
CHAMPION?

Monday 9:15am
26th May 2025 School Hall



APS Term 2 Calendar

		MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
APR/MAY	Week 1	Staff Development Day 28	Staff Development Day 29	30	1	Celebration Assembly Zone Cross Country 2
MAY	Week 2	UHPSSA Touch Football Trials P&C Meeting 6.00pm 5	Mother's Day Stall  6	7	UHPSSA Basketball 8	Mother's Day Muffins 8-9am  9
MAY	Week 3	12	K-2 Jack Johnston Memorial Day 13	Hot Dog Meal Deal Crazy Hair Day 14	15	Scone Cup 1/2 Day Public Holiday  16
MAY	Week 4	19	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion  20	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion K-2 Library Visit 21	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion  22	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion  23
MAY	Week 5	Spelling Bee PSSA Soccer GALA Day 26	27	28	Athletics Carnival  29	Flag Raising Ceremony NEW DATE: Walk Safely to School Day  30
JUNE	Week 6	PSSA Netball Gala Day 2	PSSA Touch Football Knockout 3	4	5	Celebration Assembly Sustainable Schools Expo  6
JUNE	Week 7	Kings Birthday Public Holiday 9 	10	11	Debating v SPS 12	13
JUNE	Week 8	16	17	18	19	20
JUNE	Week 9	23	24	25	Debating v DPS 26	Zone Athletics Carnival 27
JUN/JUL	Week 10	30	1	2	NAIDOC Day  3	LAST DAY-TERM 2 4