



ABERDEEN

PUBLIC SCHOOL

TERM 4 WEEK 3

2025

31st October 2025

A message from the Principal

At Aberdeen PS, we believe a strong transition program lays the foundation for a successful start to school life. Today, we celebrated and congratulated our 'Busy Bees' for completing the Kindergarten transition. It was wonderful to celebrate and share each child's learning journey with their family and friends. Thank you to Mrs Karla Kelly for coordinating and implementing the transition program in 2025. We can't wait to welcome the children back into the school in a few months when they start the year as our Kindergarten Class of 2026. Many thanks to Year 5 students for surviving the challenges of kindergarten transition. Your friendship, support and teachings have helped prepare our 'Busy Bees' for their next big step - primary school.

At Monday's P&C meeting, the proposed design changes to the student polo shirt were discussed, and a decision was made to seek further design ideas from Lowes for cotton fabric options. Once we have confirmation of the design and fabric options, product samples will be available for viewing. In the meantime, Lowes has advised that they currently have an 8-10 month supply of the current stock, which extends the timeline a little for the final decision.

Last Friday morning, we celebrated Grandparents' Day. This day is about recognising the wisdom, support, and love of grandparents and the important role they play in children's lives. It was wonderful to welcome so many of our students' grandparents into the classrooms and it's obvious the children loved having you visit their school.

Grandparents' DAY

The Year 6 Mini Fete has become a school tradition and one of the most highly anticipated events on the school calendar.

A picture tells a thousand words, and you can see from the collage of happy faces below that the afternoon was a success. From face painting to slingshots, pillow fights to water fights, and lollipops to all things spooky in the haunted house, there was genuinely something for everyone of all ages.

Congratulations to Year 6, whose stalls made a profit of \$1812.03. This is a fantastic outcome and a nice reward for the many, many hours that went into the planning, set up, and running of the stalls. Again, a huge thank you to the parents who assisted as well as to the Year 5 students who generously gave a helping hand to their friends in Year 6.

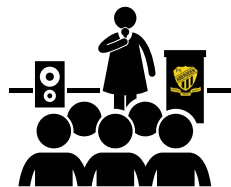




AWARD RECIPIENTS

WEEK 3

K Lime	Elijah F.
1/2 Blue	Jasmin D.
1/2 Indigo	Nova B-M.
3/4 Black	Oliver R.
5/6 Green	Aiden N.
5/6 Magenta	Tyson D.



IMPORTANT DATES

- **Monday 27th October to Friday 7th November**
 - Intensive Swimming Year 2-6
- **Monday 27th October to Wednesday 5th November**
 - K- 1 Water Awareness
- **Thursday 13th November** - Year 5 Minute to Win It
- **Friday 21st November** - Celebration Assembly



Intensive Swimming Update

The school has been advised that the K-1 Water Awareness program will be extended by one day to make up for the cancelled lessons on Tuesday. Unfortunately, the pool cannot accommodate a make-up day for Years 2- 6, reducing this year's program to 9 days.

Presentation Day News

This year we will be changing the way Library Awards are presented to students on Presentation Day. Each class will receive a Borrower of the Year and then a Library User for K-2 and 3-6.



Please check out the information from our Canteen and P&C

OVER \$2,000 IN PRIZES!!

APS P&C MEGA Christmas Raffle

\$10 PER TICKET

Tickets on sale from November 3rd for the Aberdeen Public School P&C Association Mega Christmas Raffle!!

BUY NOW!

Three amazing prizes up for grabs! Tickets on sale until 1st December or until sold out.

Winners will be drawn and announced 2nd December.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO BUY TICKETS

<https://rafflelink.com.au/aberddeenpc25>

Rural and regional school travel

Apply online for free school travel in rural and regional NSW. You only need to complete one form, even for journeys using more than one operator.

Who can apply?

To be eligible for free school travel, students may need to live a minimum distance from their school:

Years K-2 (Infants)

There is no minimum distance.

Years 3-6 (Primary)

More than 1.6km straight line distance or at least 2.3km walking.

Years 7-12 (Secondary)

More than 2.0km straight line distance or at least 2.9km walking.

Who needs to apply

You only need to apply if the student has never been approved for free school travel before. Students in a shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody) should submit a separate application for both addresses.

How to update your details

You need to update student details online if the student is changing their name, address, school or campus, or their Transport operator. You can update them at transportnsw.info/ssts-update

Frequently asked questions

Does the approved free travel include travel outside school hours?

Approved free school travel is only for travel to and from school. So for travel after hours, on weekends or during school holidays, students will need to buy a ticket.

What if there's no public transport in my area?

In areas where there is no public transport, you may be able to get a subsidy for driving the student to school. For details, visit transportnsw.info/school-students

How do I apply if the student needs to travel from two addresses because the parents live separately?

Each parent (or the student if aged 16 or over) needs to apply separately for each address. The same minimum distances apply.

How to apply for free travel for the first time

You can apply for free school travel for next year from the start of Term 4 this year.

Step 1

Once you have enrolled your child at the new school, apply online by giving your home address and telling us which bus company the student needs to travel with between home and school. You can apply online at transportnsw.info/school-students

Step 2

The school then confirms to us that your details are correct.

Step 3

We will then work on your application. You will get an email confirming if the student is approved for free travel. If so, we will tell your local bus company who may send a school travel pass (if needed) to your school or, in some cases, the bus company will contact you directly about travel arrangements.

A parent or guardian must apply for students aged 15 years and under. Students who are 16 years and over must apply for themselves.

What my card will look like



Want to know more?

For more information, visit transportnsw.info/school-students

For help in your language, call the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS) on 131 450.

Privacy

For information on how we handle personal information please refer to the Opal Privacy Policy at transportnsw.info/tickets-opal/opal-privacy-policy and the School Pass Terms transportnsw.info/school-pass-terms



APS Term 4 Calendar

		MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
OCTOBER	Week 1	Staff Development Day 13	Students return for Term 4 14	15	Parent Teacher Interviews 16	Bryan Kirkland Cup Busy Bees Kinder Transition 17
OCTOBER	Week 2	20	21	Out of Uniform COLOUR YOUR THREADS FOR WELLBEING 22	Year 6 Mini Fete 23	Celebration Assembly Grandparents' Brekky Busy Bees Kinder Transition 24
OCTOBER	Week 3	Intensive Swimming Yr 2 - Yr 6 K-1 Water Awareness P&C Meeting 6pm 27	Intensive Swimming Yr 2 - Yr 6 K-1 Water Awareness 28	Intensive Swimming Yr 2 - Yr 6 K-1 Water Awareness 29	Intensive Swimming Yr 2 - Yr 6 K-1 Water Awareness 30	Intensive Swimming Yr 2 - Yr 6 Busy Bees Kinder Transition K-1 Water Awareness 31
NOVEMBER	Week 4	Intensive Swimming Yr 2 - Yr 6 K-1 Water Awareness 3	Intensive Swimming Yr 2 - Yr 6 K-1 Water Awareness 4	Intensive Swimming Yr 2 - Yr 6 K-1 Water Awareness 5	Intensive Swimming Yr 2 - Yr 6 6	Intensive Swimming Yr 2 - Yr 6 7
NOVEMBER	Week 5	10	11	12	Year 5 Leadership - Minute to Win It 13	14
NOVEMBER	Week 6	17	18	19	20	Celebration Assembly 21
NOVEMBER	Week 7	24	25	SJA Orientation Day 26	27	28
DECEMBER	Week 8	1	2	3	4	5
DECEMBER	Week 9	8	9	Celebration Assembly 10	11	Presentation Day 12
DECEMBER	Week 10	15	16	Year 6 Farewell 17	18	LAST DAY OF 2025 19