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# ABBOTSFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

## Upcoming Events

### **Foundation Students- School Free Wednesdays**

**Wednesday February 5th, 12th, 19th,  
26th**

Foundation students do not attend school on these dates. (Students are to attend one individual assessment session which has been booked with their teachers.)

### **Tuesday 11th**

Peer Mediation Program  
Grade 5/6 students

### **Thursday 20th February**

Parliament House Excursion  
Grade 5/6 students

### **Tuesday 25th February**

School Council Annual General Meeting  
6.30pm- 8.30pm

### **Labour Day**

Monday 9th March- No School

### **27th March**

Term 1 Ends

### **Monday 11th May**

Curriculum day  
Students do not attend school

### **Friday 7th August**

Curriculum day  
Students do not attend school

### **Tuesday 3rd November**

Curriculum day



## Welcome Back!

A warm welcome to our school community for 2020! We trust you had a safe and productive holiday period and are feeling invigorated and ready for Term 1.

We welcome new families that have commenced with us this year.

If you have any queries please see your child's teacher or speak to Caroline, En or Shelly at the front office.

## Assembly Presentations Term 1

Friday 7th February - 2/3C (English)

Friday 14th February - 5/6A (English)

Friday 21st February - 1A (Chinese)

Friday 28th February - 2/3A (English)

Friday 6th March - 4A (Chinese)

Friday 13th March - 2/3B (Chinese)

Friday 20th March - F1 (English)

Friday 27th March - F2 (Chinese)



## Lunch Order Information

Lunch Orders are starting up again on Monday 3rd February. We have lunch orders supplied for our students on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. They are ordered online. There is a link on our school website, or go to: <http://beaverstail.com.au/>

The menu is available on their website, we do have some copies at the office if you would like to pick one up.

## Term 1 Inquiry Units

Foundation students will learn about different communities to which people belong and learn why people live, work and play in communities. They will consider how they can be a good friend in order to sustain their classroom community.

Our Grade 1 class will learn about the services in their community. They will consider sustainable practices as they design and construct model buildings for a precinct in their community. Students will learn about navigation as they consider the language of direction and location.

2/3 students will learn about the lives of the First Australian's before European settlers arrived in Australia and the causes and reasons for the journey of the First Fleet. They will practise thinking and acting like historians as they are immersed in stories of first contact between Indigenous Australians and European Settlers.

4/5/6 students will learn about the values of Australian democracy and the key features of the electoral process. They will ask questions such as:

- What are roles of the levels of government in Australia?
- How are elections conducted in Australia?
- How can we refine our ideas as we make an argument?
- What are the responsibilities of leaders and followers?

We look forward to seeing our students' understanding grow throughout the term and will keep families updated on any class excursions that will align with the units.

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soccer program.**

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basics in a fun & social environment.

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## Grasshopper Soccer Returns to Abbotsford Primary School

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Our Mission at Grasshopper soccer is to get kids active and fit through Soccer. We want to introduce school kids to the game of soccer in a fun and supportive environment. With tailored games for all skill levels we can ensure that each child has a positive experience during each class. Grasshopper Soccer Provides noncompetitive classes for boys and girls. Our class consists of fun skill based games with a match at the end of each class.

### **Prep and Grade 1.**

Day: Wednesday after school Time: 3:35 to 4:35 Cost: \$110 for 8 weeks Date: Wednesday 5th of Feb to Wednesday 25th of March

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Day: Friday after school Time: 3:35 to 4:35 Cost: \$100 for 7 weeks Date: Friday 7th of Feb to Friday 20th of March

**Please place enrolment form and payment in a sealed envelope at the office or pay on the day with the coach**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION Parents need to remind children of starting date. All participating students need to fill in a form with payment attached. You will be notified if program has been cancelled & money will be refunded.

## School Captains' Report

BY Eugenia, Mila, Phoebe and Grace

Hi students, teachers and parents. We are the new School Captains. As you probably know, this week the students came back from the holidays, including our new Foundation students.

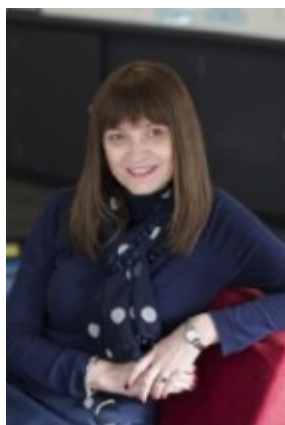
The new playground has been very popular and it's very nice not to be squished up in one space any more!

We welcome you all back to the school year and we hope you have a fabulous 2020!

From Eugenia, Mila, Phoebe and Grace :)

## Principal's Report

BY AMANDA NORTON-SMITH



Dear students, parents and community members,  
Welcome back for what I believe is going to be a fantastic year for our school community. As I mentioned at assembly this morning, it's so nice starting the school year with a completed building project. The students have certainly been enjoying the new playground and sports courts.

I have the privilege of remaining in the Acting Principal role for Term 1, and look forward to working with our school community to continue to make our students' primary school years enriching.

### **Instrumental Music Lessons/ After School Soccer:**

Junior Rockers Guitar, Drums or Vocals, Keyboard Lessons with Angela and Grasshopper After School Soccer will all commence again next week. Grasshoppers will operate Wednesdays 3:45-4:45pm, for Foundation & Grade 1 students & Fridays 3:45-4:45pm for Grade 2-6 students. Junior Rockers lesson will operate each Thursday and Angela's keyboard lessons will stay Fridays. If you are interested in enrolling your child into any of these programs please pick up an enrollment form at the front office.

Congratulations to these successful students who will represent our school and advocate for student voice:

School Captains: Phoebe and Eugenia

Vice School Captains: Grace and Mila

Green House Captain: Isaac

Yellow House Captain: Athena

Red House Captain: Grace

Blue House Captain: Sammy

Junior School Reps: Marlowe and Thomas

Senior School Reps: Violet and Rafael

## School Council: Notice of Election and Call for Nominations

An election is to be conducted for members of the school council of Abbotsford Primary School

Nomination forms may be obtained from the school and must be lodged by 4.00 pm on Monday 10th February 2020.

The ballot will close at 4.00 pm on Friday 21st February 2020.

Following the closing of nominations a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school.

The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows:

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	TERM OF OFFICE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS
Parent member	From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2020 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2022.	3 positions Cath Ferla, Peter Emerson, Alfi Ng, Melissa Hii and Virginia Dods are continuing members. Previous members will need to renominate.
DET employee member	From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2020 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2022.	2 positions Amanda Norton-Smith and Daniel Clynes are continuing members. Previous members will need to renominate.

If the number of nominations is less than the number of vacancies, a notice to that effect and calling for further nominations will be posted in a prominent position at the school.

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