

Scone Public School Newsletter

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TERM 4 WEEK 6

Tuesday 10 November 2015

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Over the weekend the staff of Scone Public School participated in an Aboriginal Cultural Day. We started at the Creator Cave near Milbrodale where Uncle Paul Gordon explained the significance of the cave paintings and the story of Baeme.

We then travelled to Yengo National Park to Finchley Lookout. Uncle Paul shared the story of the Wollombi area and the highly culturally significant Yengo mountain.

We then experienced a Sacred Smoking Ceremony and had the unique experience of participating in traditional Aboriginal dance led by the Wakagetti Dance company. Uncle Paul then walked us through the Aboriginal rock carvings known as the "map site" and explained their significance.

Our staff were extremely fortunate to have the experience and wisdom of our cultural guides and have gained a greater understanding of the wonderfully rich Aboriginal culture and that unique to the Wollombi area.

Thank you to our Aboriginal Education Team for organising the day and to our guides (Uncle) Paul Gordon and David Newham from the Ngurrumpaa Cultural Group.

Deborah Fisher -Relieving Principal

Quote of the week:

A nation's culture resides in the hearts and in the soul of its people

Value for the week:
Responsibility

PLEASE SUPPORT

The SRC are looking forward to holding a raffle of Christmas hampers at the end of the year. We need your help to make this fundraising effort a successful event. Any donations of non-perishable goods, toys or gifts will be gratefully accepted. Please send them to Mrs Borg's room. Money raised will be donated to the Red Door charity, a food kitchen, in Muswellbrook. Thank you!

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DANCERS DAZZLE AT CAPERS



Over the weekend the Year 6 Dance Group performed in a showcase of talent called CAPERS (Creative Arts in Public Education Regional Spectacular) held in Tamworth. CAPERS involves students from across the New England and North West from Kindergarten to Year 12 singing, dancing, playing musical instruments and performing.



Our group performed three times in the biennial event, a Friday matinee, Friday evening and Saturday evening performance. This was our school's first time performing in this event due to our school's recent inclusion in the Tamworth district. The girls performed two dance routines, "Dr Who" and an indigenous contemporary routine, in addition to the finale. They performed with approximately 3000 other students in front of a massive audience.

Thank you to the many parents, family, friends and Scone community members who travelled to watch the performances. Thanks also to Anglo American

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4 2015

Date	Event
Mon, 23 Nov – Fri, 4 Dec	Intensive Swimming
Tues, 8 Dec	Sports Presentation
Fri, 11 Dec	Presentation Day

Coal Drayton mine, Woolworths Scone and our school's P&C for donations towards the excursion cost.

It was an absolute pleasure to take away such beautifully mannered and helpful students. Our girls showed respect to other performers, were quiet backstage without having to be asked and were relocated to the front of the stage during rehearsals for how well they performed their indigenous routine. The girls also showed outstanding cooperation skills and kindness towards one another when attending rehearsals earlier in the week and during the 2-night excursion and they should be extremely proud of how they conducted themselves. Thank you to Mrs Winter, Mrs Hughes, Mrs Stafford and Mrs Cheshire for helping with supervision, meals, hair, make up and much, much more. Thank you also to Mrs Smith, Miss Bowe and the Scone High School girls, who we shared accommodation with, for being equally fantastic.

Mrs Vanessa Miller

CAPERS Acrostic Poem Written by Summer, Maddy, Annie and Courtney

C is for contemporary, a style of dance we do here

A is for astounding children, dancing from schools far and near

P is for performances and after we always receive a cheer

E is for excitement, which is always in the air

R is for the routines, our daily make up and hair

S is for the sights and they all want us to come back next year.



A well-earned visit to the aviary at the Marsupial Park in Tamworth

CONGRATULATIONS COMPETITION PARTICIPANTS

The following Year 5 and 6 students performed well in the Newcastle Permanent Mathematics Competition. Students from all over NSW participate. A special mention goes to Max (5/6L) who scored eighth in the Northern Region. Certificates will be presented at the assembly on 13 November. All parents and guests are invited to attend.

High Distinction (top 2%)

Max (5/6L)

Distinction (top 15%)

Noah (5/6L), Wilson (5/6L), Jackson (5A), Jy (5/6L), Indianna (5M), Dylan (5/6L), Joshua (5M), Tahlee (5/6L), Maxwell (5/6L), Oscar (5/6L), Andie (5/6L), Summer (5/6L), Cameron (6D), Darcy (5/6L), Matylda (6D), Wade (6S), Lane (6S).

Merit (top 30%)

John (5/6L), Vanessa (5/6L), Mary (5/6L), Sarah (5M), Lara (5M), Monique (5A), Madeleine (5/6L), Ella (5/6L), Lachlan (5A), Montana (5M), Liam (5M), Samuel (5A), Emily (6S), Isobel (5/6L), Zachary (5/6L), Joshua (6D), Elle (6S), Emily (5/6L), Flynn (5/6L), Benjamin (5/6L), Sarah (5/6L), Bailey (6S), Sarah (4M), Junuh (5/6L), Riley (6D), Mikayla (6S), Zharli (6S), Nyssa (6D), Jessica (6D), Brianna (6S).

UNSW English Competition

The following students performed well in the UNSW English Competition. Special mention goes to Noah (5/6L) who performed in the top 1 percent of all Year 5 students. Certificates will be presented at the assembly on 13 November. All parents and guests are invited to attend.

High Distinction (top 1%)

Noah (5/6L)

Distinction (top 10%)

Max (5/6L), Lilly (3B), James (4M)

Credit (top 35%)

Madeleine (5/6L), Thomas (4H), Emma (4H), Ryan (5/6L), Indianna (5M)

Merit (top 45%)

Andie (5/6L)

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATIONS FOR 2017 REMINDER

The online applications for placements in Selective High Schools for 2017 close on **Monday 16 November 2015**. There are no paper applications, only the online ones and no late applications will be accepted. Farrer Memorial Agriculture High School and Merewether High School are the closest selective high schools to Scone. If you require an information package, please contact Mrs Laurece Godde or Ms Deborah Fisher.

P & C MEETING

There will be a P & C meeting tonight Tuesday, 10 November at 6pm in the school library – all welcome to attend.

SAVE THE DATE

The Sports Presentation assembly will be held at 9.30am on Tuesday 8 December, we look forward to many parents attending.

Good for Kids good for life**Tips to Encourage Drinking Water**

We all know that water is the best drink for children however sometimes it can be difficult to persuade them to choose water over sugary drinks.

Here are some tips to help encourage water intake:

- Always have water available and accessible e.g. have a jug of water in the fridge or provide bottles of water for outdoor play
- Remove temptation by not storing sugary drinks such as soft drink in the house
- Keeping water cool or using a water filter may better suit your child's taste
- Try flavouring the water with lemon or lime slices. You can even add herbs such as mint
- Explain to your child why it is important to stay hydrated and why water is the best choice

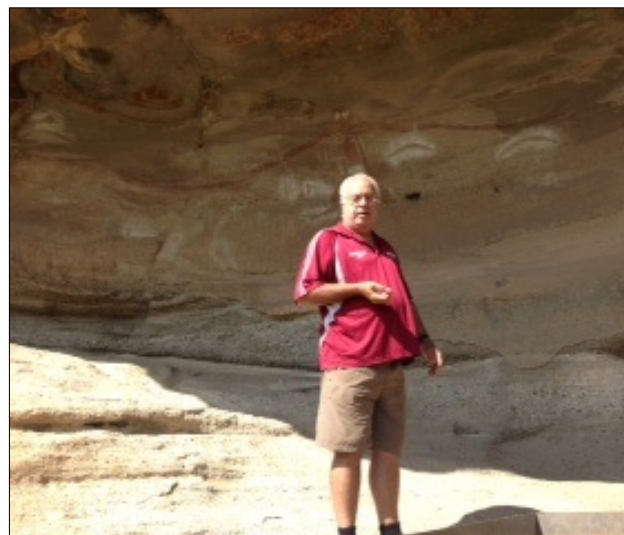


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Wakagetti Dance company



Uncle Paul in the Aboriginal rock carvings known as the "map site"



Sacred Smoking Ceremony

**CANTEEN ROSTER
TERM 4 WEEK 6 2015**

Mon, 9 Nov	Sharon Grant
Tues, 10	Racheal Johnson
Wed, 11 Nov	Wendy Paterson
Thurs, 12 Nov	Wendy Paterson
Fri, 13 Nov	Wendy Paterson / Kim Mackay



2016 enrolments open

The Upper Hunter Conservatorium of Music
is offering music lessons at school

Lessons are available during school hours
in the following instruments:

Piano, Violin, Voice, Guitar, Drums,
Woodwind (Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone),
Brass (Trumpet, Trombone, Euphonium, French Horn, Tuba)

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