

Scone Public School Newsletter

Success for all



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TERM 2 WEEK 1

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to all new and returning families. I trust that everyone enjoyed the school break and that our students are looking forward to an exciting Term.

We have ANZAC commemorations, the Horse Week Parade, our Public Speaking Competition, all our winter sports events, the Muswellbrook Eisteddfod AND NAPLAN for our Years 3 and 5. A busy ten weeks of work and fun!

This Thursday we are holding our own ANZAC commemorative service and then on Saturday we are hoping for a record number of students to march with our school in the town march. I do encourage all our students to try to be part of this important march as we commemorate one hundred years since the ANZACS first landed in Gallipoli. I look forward to a fantastic term filled with hard work and the celebration of success earned through persistence.

Lynne Gray- Principal

Quote of the week:

The first & most important step forward to success.....is the feeling that we can succeed.

Nelson Boswell

Value for the week:

Compassion and Caring

PLEASE SUPPORT THIS YEARS IMPORTANT ANZAC MARCH

This year we are particularly encouraging our students to represent the school in our local ANZAC Day march on Saturday, 25 April and join the rest of Australia in commemorating 100 years since our ANZACS landed on the shores of Gallipoli.

Students will need to meet in front of the Red Cross building by 10.30am and be dressed in full summer uniform, including hats. Students who have medals from grandparents or other relatives may wear these on the right hand side of their chest.

This gives our students an opportunity to display the values that school embraces and we look forward to a large number of students participating on this important day. Year 5 students will be able to include this activity on their leadership program.

EASTER BUNNY VISIT



On the last day of Term 1 there was a wonderful surprise waiting for all the children who use the pedestrian crossing at the front of the school. The Easter Bunny had arrived before school and left presents for all the students who knew how to cross the road safely. How do we know it was the Easter Bunny? By the footprints he left behind. Thank you to our wonderful crossing supervisor for keeping our children safe.

CONGRATULATIONS POETS

Scone Public School's outstanding poets were on display on Wednesday, 1 April during our Youth Poetry Competition. We would like to congratulate all students who participated in the competition. The standard of entries was extremely high with very confident and polished performances given by all students Kindergarten to Year 6. Community members, Mrs Patty Molyneux, Mrs Anne Maree McLaughlin and Miss Penelope Prentice were judges for the competition. We thank them all very much for their time and wonderful comments. Thank you also goes to the leaders of our school Georgia, Oscar, Summer and Junuh who hosted the competition in a very professional manner.

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 2 2015	
Date	Event
Thurs, 23 April	9.30am Anzac assembly
Fri, 24 April	Swimming Presentation Assembly
Fri, 1 May	Yrs 3-6 Athletics Carnival

Winners for each section were as follows.

INFANTS (K-2) - Individual

1st Lachlan

2nd Alice

3rd Lauren and Rozenna

INFANTS (K-2) – Group

1st 2G

2nd 1BT

3rd KN

PRIMARY (3-6) – Group

1st 3B

2nd 5/6L and 4M

3rd 5M

Highly Commended: 5A and 3H

PRIMARY (3-4) – Individual Contemporary

1st Charlie

2nd Mackenzie

3rd Annika

PRIMARY (3-4) – Individual Traditional

1st Zane

2nd Franze Mari

3rd Eleanor and Jaidan

PRIMARY (5-6) – Individual Contemporary

1st Oscar

2nd Riley

3rd Charlotte

PRIMARY (5-6) – Individual Traditional

1st Madeleine

2nd Indianna

*Karen Rossington, Tanya Williams and Laurece Godde
Poetry Co-ordinators*

MOST SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL

On Friday 27 March, twenty four students competed in the annual Zone Cross Country carnival at Muswellbrook. Scone Public School was very successful on the day winning the 'Most successful school' trophy. Thank you to all the parents for transporting your children to this event. Seven students will now compete at regional on Friday, 8 May.

Results are as follows:

8/9 Years Boys 1st Archie (3B)

8/9 Years Boys 2nd Jackson (3B)

8/9 Years Girls 3rd Sarah (3H)

10 Year Boys 1st Charlie (4P)

11 Year Boys 4th Lachlan (5A)

11 Year Girls 1st Chloe (5M)

12 Year Girls 5th Claudia (6S)

EASTER RAFFLE RAISES \$427

Thank you one and all! The Easter raffle, drawn on Thursday, 2 April was a huge success. The SRC raised \$427 for the Cancer Council. All Easter eggs were generously donated by the school community and ten Easter hampers were raffled.

Congratulations to the following winners;

Mrs Munn, first prize; Archie S, second; Matthew B, third; Lilly H, fourth; Emily L, fifth; Georgia S, sixth; Saige, seventh; Campbell, eighth and ninth and Joshua J, tenth.

We hope they all enjoyed their yummy goodies and many thanks to everyone.

The SRC

LOOKING FORWARD TO HORSE FESTIVAL

The Horse Festival Parade is being held on Saturday, 9 May, just around the corner! This is a wonderful community event that our school enjoys being part of every year.

In keeping with the theme for this year, Scone Public School will be taking part in the parade. We will be creating a "party theme" as we parade and celebrate such a wonderful event. We hope to produce a vibrant showcase promoting our school and would love all students to take part in the event.

As we will be focussing on Celebrations, please come dressed entirely in one of the colours of the rainbow: Red, Orange, Yellow, Green, Blue, Indigo, Violet. As a school we will walk as a group ready to be judged.

We encourage students to bring a drink of water to keep with them during the judging and parade time. It is also important to wear comfortable shoes as it is a long walk and we quite often are required to dodge the horse doings. We look forward to seeing some impressive outfits!

Horse Festival Team

NAPLAN DATES

In May 2015 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3 and 5. NAPLAN will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The tests will be conducted from Tuesday, 12 May to Thursday, 14 May inclusive.

On Tuesday 12 May: – Morning session: Language Conventions (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar), Afternoon session: Writing

Wednesday 13 May: - Reading

Thursday 14 May: - Numeracy

PARENT CORNER

If you missed the 60 minutes segment on Private versus Public education last Sunday night here is the link. It is well worth watching. <http://www.9jumpin.com.au/show/60minutes/stories/2015/april/public-vs-private> . The link can also be found on our school's facebook page.

BUS INFORMATION

The Rouchel Bus 101 (R) route will be affected from 6am Tuesday, 21, Wednesday 22 and Thursday, 23 April. The ARTC will have the Aberdeen Rouchel Road Crossing closed until 6am on Friday, 24 April. This will affect the route for the Rouchel bus. For more information contact Osborn's Transport on: T: 6543 1271 or email: Melinda@osborns.com.au

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2 WEEK 1 2015	
Mon, 20 April	SDD
Tues, 21 April	Racheal Johnson
Wed, 22 April	Wendy Paterson
Thurs, 23 April	Wendy Paterson
Fri, 24 April	Wendy Paterson / Aleesha Cook

COMMUNITY NEWS

FRIDAY 24th APRIL 7pm

ANZAC CENTENARY EVENT

THE WALER; AUSTRALIA'S GREAT WAR HORSE M

On the eve of the Anzac Day centenary, this film tells of the regiments of the Australian Light Horse in WW1.

Set in the Sinai and Palestine, culminating in the Charge at Beersheba, the 'Great Ride' through the Jordan Valley and the capture of Damascus.

Some parts were filmed in the Upper Hunter and involves "local boy" **Peter Haydon**, from **Blandford**, and his horse Midnight.

7pm Doors Open, memorabilia display, Anzac music

7.30pm Film – The Waler

8.45pm Guy Haydon shares stories from The Waler

9pm Delicious Australian themed refreshments, meet Guy Haydon, view memorabilia

Senior Citizen's Centre, Oxford Road, Scone
www.sconefilms.org.au

We expect this to be popular, so **get your tickets early from Serendipity, Scone. \$15**

Good for Kids good for life

Simple and inexpensive physical activity

Increasing the amount of physical activity in your child's day is a simple and inexpensive way to improve their health and well-being. Being active needn't cost a lot or take up a lot of time. Here are some fun and easy ways to include more activity in your child's day:

- Playing games like 'Simon Says' or 'Follow the leader'
- Playing with the dog
- Going for a walk
- Playing in the park
- Dancing in the lounge room
- Kicking a ball in the backyard

Encourage your kids to be creative while having fun and being active, for example:

- To make bats or racquets, roll up newspaper or use cardboard tubes
- For markers or obstacles for games, use plastic bottles, containers or shoes
- Brooms or mops can be used for hurdles or the limbo bar
- Chalk, rope or masking tape are great for game markings e.g. hopscotch, handball

If you have a backyard, make the most of it! Play hopscotch or elastics, chalk up some handball markings, create a soccer goal from bins or other backyard objects or you could put up a netball or basketball hoop. There are lots of simple and inexpensive ways to help your kids be active every day.

Reference: Q4: The Coast in Motion ~ Family Activation Pack



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TERM 2 2015 CALENDAR

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
1	20 April SDD	21 April Students return	22 April	23 April 9.30am Anzac service	24 April	25/26 April
2	27 April	28 April	29 April PSSA Touch football trials	30 April	1 May Athletics Yrs 3-6 Sports Carnival - Field	2/3 May
3	4 May	5 May	6 May	7 May	8 May	9/10 May Horse Parade
4	11 May	12 May NAPLAN	13 May NAPLAN	14 May NAPLAN	15 May Rugby League @ APS / Scone Cup	16/17 May Races
5	18 May Class finals Public Speaking	19 May	20 May	21 May Inter-relate 6-7, 7-8.15 / Opens rugby League	22 May Athletics Yrs 3 – 6 Track events	23/24 May
6	25 May Stage Finals Public Speaking	26 May	27 May	28 May Band @ Eisteddfod	29 May Blandford Horse Sports / Alternative Sports	30/31 May
7	1 June Eisteddfod	2 June Eisteddfod	3 June Eisteddfod	4 June Eisteddfod / Under 10's Rugby League	5 June Eisteddfod / Alternative Sports	6/7 June
8	8 June Queen's Birthday	9 June K – 2 Public Speaking grand final 12 noon	10 June 3–6 Public speaking grand final 12 noon	11 June	12 June Alternative Sports	13/14 June Peel rugby league
9	15 June	16 June	17 June	18 June Inter-relate 6-7, 7-8.15	19 June Alternative Sports	20/21 June
10	22 June	23 June Reports to parents	24 June Jollybops Science show	25 June	26 June Alternative Sports / NAIDOC assembly	27/28 June