

Scone Public School Newsletter

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TERM 2 WEEK 9

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It is with mixed feelings that I write what will be my second last Principal's Report for the Scone Public School newsletter. As from Term 3 I will take leave as a lead into what will inevitably be retirement.

As it is midway through the year a new Principal will not be appointed until the beginning of 2016. Until that time the school will be in the VERY capable hands of Miss Fisher and her trusty executive staff. Mr Kite will fill the role of relieving Deputy Principal and Mrs Godde will move off class full time to support Miss Fisher and Mr Kite. The school will be in excellent hands. I will still be working part time in the Principal School Leadership position, mentoring, supporting and building the leadership capacity of Principals across our local area.

Whilst I am excited about this role and the prospect of more "sleep-ins", I will miss this school and all the wonderful people that are part of it, terribly. I will particularly miss the students. However, until the end of next week I refuse to think about it. It is business as usual!

Lynne Gray- Principal

Quote of the week:

*Life isn't about waiting for
the storm to pass....
It is learning to dance in
the rain*

*Value for the week:
Connect*

WELL DONE NETBALLERS

Last Wednesday, 10 June Scone Public Schools girl's netball team played their second game of the 2015 PSSA season, versing Muswellbrook Public School at the Bill Rose Sports Complex. The girls played exceptionally well defeating Muswellbrook 51-4. Thank you to the parents who came along on the day to support the girls and a huge thank you to Louise Frost, who umpired the game.

Kate Pitkin



PUBLIC SPEAKING – A HUGE SUCCESS

How amazing are our talented and clear speaking students! Our Public Speaking Grand Final showcased a wonderful group of students who entertained and mesmerised us with their well prepared, thoroughly rehearsed and very polished performances. Our adjudicators for these days, Mrs Sarah Paine from Scone High School and Mrs Lesley Moore were extremely complimentary about the standard of speeches. Thanks go to our teachers and parents who prepared the students so well.

A very big thank you also to our wonderful Captains and Leaders who chaired the competition with much aplomb! They were seamless in their management of all speakers, as were our timekeepers, runners, microphone and sound technicians.

Special mention must also go to our intermission live entertainment of our school choir, led by Miss Head who sweetly sang 'How Much is That Doggy in the Window' and 3B who showcased their Eisteddfod winning choral speaking performance.

Thank you to everyone who supported, listened to and assisted our students during this aspect of their learning, everyone really shone!

We are very proud of all our students' efforts. First and second place getters in each Stage, including Early Stage 1 will now progress to the Zone Public Speaking Competition, held at Singleton Heights Public School next term.

| COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 2 2015 | |
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| Date | Event |
| Thurs, 18 June | Inter-relate sessions |
| Wed, 24 June | Jollybops Science Show |
| Fri, 26 June | Last day of Term 2 |
| Tues, 14 July | Students return – Term 3 |

The date of this event has yet to be confirmed. More details will be forwarded as soon as they are received. Students repeat their winning speech at Zone level, but are not required to deliver an impromptu speech, so don't lose those palm cards!
Nicole Borg and Marsha Jenkins

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| Early Stage One | First: Vanessa Second: Alexander Third: Inez |
| Stage 1 | First: Hallie Second: Flynn Third: Charesse |
| Stage 2 | First: James Second: Tristan Third: Hayden |
| Stage 3 | First: Oscar Second: Noah Third: Matylda |

GREAT EFFORT AT TOUCH FOOTBALL



Last Friday the Girls Touch Football team travelled to Muswellbrook to play the first round of the knockout competition. In the first half only one try was scored by Muswellbrook. Later in the second half Claudia scored, evening up the score to one all. After this excellent try, Muswellbrook scored again leaving us behind by one try. The game ended with the final score being 1-2 Muswellbrook's way. We unfortunately lost in the end but had heaps of fun playing. Although we are out of the competition, the game was lots of fun and a huge success.

Congratulations to Muswellbrook and good luck to them in the next round. Well done to all of the Scone girls for playing so well and a big thankyou to

all the mums and dads who were able to help with transport on the day.
Summer 5/6L

ATHLETICS UPDATE

The 800m will hopefully be run this Thursday 18 June at lunchtime. Those students who will be participating will need to wear their sports uniform. A back-up date of next Monday, 22 June is pencilled in case of inclement weather.

ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP

We have our **Bloom Winter Markets** fast approaching and would love some extra help! When: Saturday, 20 June from: 8.00am – 1.00pm at Scone Public School. If you are able to bake a slice or a cake, we can sell this at our cake stall. (Please list the ingredients).

Are you happy to BBQ? We are looking for cooks and servers. We would love help setting up in the morning. Do you have the gift of the gab or a great sales pitch? Are you a whiz at maths or keen to sell? We have numerous stalls where we could really use your assistance.

The P & C is hosting a BBQ, cake stall, second hand books, merchandise, kid's corner. All money raised from the Winter Bloom Markets goes back into improving our children's educational experience. If there is any way you can help, please contact Melissa on: 0411 050 487.

Youth Council Movie Night: Disney "Alexander and the terrible, horrible, no good, very bad day" at St Marys School Scone. Friday, 19 June from 4.50pm – 6.50pm. Year 3 – 6 students are invited to come along, bring a friend and a beanbag. The event will be supervised and parents are welcome to stay.

Parents must sign a permission slip at the door and attendees must stay at the event. Cost: \$8 entry, this includes a drink, bag of popcorn or chips, lollies. Water is also available.

DON'T MISS OUT ON THE DISCO

Scone Public School's Years 3 – 6 Disco is on Wednesday, 24 June from 6.00pm – 8.00pm in the school assembly hall. Admission is \$5 per child – please pay at the door. Please assist by having the correct change. Drinks may be purchased throughout the evening. Children should be suitably dressed in smart clothes (no hats, hoods, thongs, sunglasses or chains). They should arrive at the disco no earlier than 6.00pm. Parents are asked to pick their children up promptly at 8.00pm. No child will be permitted to walk home unaccompanied from the disco. This is a children's only disco, fully supervised by staff.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Bloom Market Cake Stall. Bloom Market is approaching quickly. Less than 2 weeks! Attention Bakers! We are running a Cake Stall at Bloom Markets. We want to sell cakes or goodies that people will take home. Helpers on the day are also needed. Call or SMS Becky 0458 619 427 with questions or sign up to help.

This is what we need:

- A cake, loaf, slice or group of six cupcakes or muffins
- Treats need to be wrapped, in a box or similar carry away container, such as a disposable plate, with the idea to be taken home for eating.
- Cake boxes available in the office or pick up from your class teacher on request. They are 23 x 23 cm or 9 inch square. Suggestion: Cover the top with cling wrap, so people can see what is inside! Tape the ingredient list to the top if possible.
- If you don't get a box, no worries, we will have extras at the canteen to package your cake up Saturday morning. We will have a competition to see which class donates the most cakes! The winning stage will receive a catered afternoon tea! Indicate on the wrapping which class your child is in. Please bring in your donations Saturday, June 20 morning by 8:30am, or as early as possible.

Scone Films: presents: **Paper Planes** G rated. On Sunday, 21 June at 2pm. Tickets \$10 at the door, afternoon tea \$5. Scone senior citizens centre Oxford Rd. or in advance from Serendipity Collection Scone. For more info: www.sconefilms.org.au



CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2 WEEK 9 2015

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| Mon, 15 June | |
| Tues, 16 June | Racheal Johnson |
| Wed, 17 June | Wendy Paterson |
| Thurs, 18 June | Wendy Paterson |
| Fri, 19 June | Wendy Paterson / Erin Clifford |

Good for Kids good for life

Importance of Breakfast

Did you know that breakfast literally means breaking the fast from overnight?

One in four Australian children skip breakfast and research has shown that students who do find it difficult to concentrate in class and may be lethargic in the playground. They may also choose more high sugar, high fat snacks or overeat because they are so tired and hungry.

Breakfast really is the most important meal of the day and should be eaten every day.

Some children may have a long distance to travel to school, while others take a while to wake up and be ready to eat breakfast so here are some quick on the go breakfast ideas:

- Fruit bread or a fruit hot cross bun
- Banana
- Breakfast drinks e.g. Up and Go
- Cheese sandwich
- Untoasted muesli and low fat yoghurt
- Cereal bites e.g. fruity bites, cheerios, mini wheats etc.
- Boiled egg

For more information on breakfast ideas go to:

<http://www.healthkids.nsw.gov.au/parents-carers/healthy-eating-and-drinking/importance-of-breakfast.aspx>

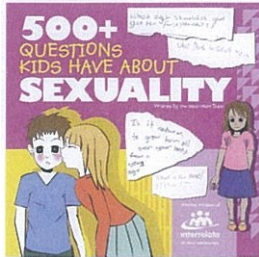


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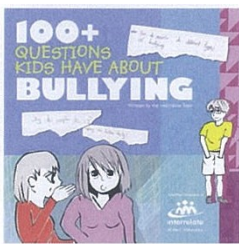
Helpful Resources

Interrelate has a range of books for parents & kids



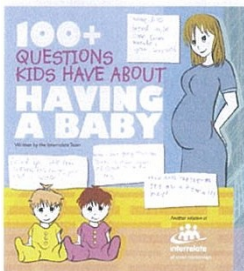
500+ Questions Kids Have About Sex

This book covers topics including body parts, relationships, sexual intercourse, homosexuality and more. The team from Interrelate answers the Questions Kids Have collected from real questions in the classroom.



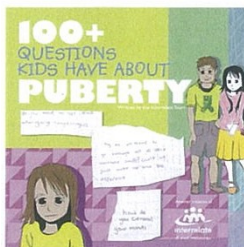
100+ Questions Kids Have About Bullying

This book offers practical strategies and sound advice based around real world examples of bullying. Whether you are interested in cyber-bullying or more traditional forms of bullying, this book answers all your questions in an accessible, easy to understand way. The team from Interrelate answers the Questions Kids Have collected from real questions in the classroom.



100+ Questions Kids Have About Having A Baby

Families come in all different shapes and sizes. Most babies are born into a family, some children join a family when parents form a new family, a step or blended family. Sometimes children are adopted or fostered into a family while some children spend time living with other adults who care for them. The team from Interrelate answers the Questions Kids Have collected from real questions in the classroom.



100+ Questions Kids Have About Puberty

Puberty is the time in our lives when we begin to change from being a child to becoming an adult. The team from Interrelate answers the Questions Kids Have collected from real questions in the classroom.

Being a teenager is tough. But not as tough as parenting one. This book is a great resource for parents and teenagers, it provides an opening for conversation between parents and children and it provides a resource for each gender to know about the changes in the other.

- Dr Patricia Weerakoon, Director Graduate Program in Sexual Health, University of Sydney.

**These books are available for purchase at www.interrelate.org.au
Or after an Interrelate program at your school**