

Scone Public School Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This week we farewell our Year 6 students! On Monday afternoon they performed in their final assembly. It is always entertaining and a great way to say goodbye. Our captains, Noah and Riley presented the Year 6 gift to the school which they purchased from the money raised at the mini fete. Thank you Year 6! Year 6 will also be looking forward to their Farewell dinner on Wednesday night. This is always a fun night and a great way to celebrate together as a group.

Tuesday afternoon we will be celebrating the students who have achieved their Honour Student badges. These students will be treated to an afternoon tea. Well done to all of you!

The SRC raffle was drawn this week with many lucky students receiving the prizes. Thank you to the SRC for this great initiative and to all the students who purchased tickets. The money will be going towards some new equipment for the back playground. We have had much to celebrate this week!

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a joyous Christmas and hope that you all enjoy the well-earned break.

Deborah Fisher -Relieving Principal

*Value for the week:
Compassion and Caring*

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW SCHOOL LEADERS

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to fill the leadership roles at SPS School.

Girls Captain: Amelia F

Boys Captain: Charlie R

Girl and Boy Vice Captains: Lexie M and Archie B

Prefects: Charlotte, Carolyn, Marshall and Zane

Sports Captains

Murrong: Jonny and Caitlyn

Meekah: Ziggy and Taylah

Pannal: Brock and Sarah

Wattaka: Jacob and Brenna

SCHOOL CAPTAINS FOR 2017



Marshall, Zane, Archie, Charlie, Amelia, Lexie, Carolyn and Charlotte.

SPORTS CAPTAINS FOR 2017



Brock, Sarah, Taylah, Jacob, Brenna, Caitlyn and Jonny (absent Ziggy)

Our outgoing 2016 leaders can leave the school knowing it is in good hands. We know you will all do your best to be great leaders and be an inspiration to the younger students.

**ASSEMBLIES:
16 DEC 2016
NO ASSEMBLIES TO BE HELD**

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4 2016	
Date	Event
14 Dec 2016	Year 6 Farewell Disc
15 Dec 2016	K – 2 Frolic
16 Dec 2016	Last Day of School for 2016
27 Jan 2017	Staff Return- Pupil Free Day
30 Jan 2017	Students Return Years 1-6
2 Feb 2017	Kindergarten First Day

UNSW 2016 ENGLISH ASSESSMENT

Eighteen of our Primary students sat for the UNSW English Assessment. The results are as follows:

Year 3: Gina – Distinction	Eloise - Merit
Year 4: Matt – Distinct	Lilly – Credit
Eleanor – Credit	Mackenzie – Merit
Year 5: James – Distinction	Thomas – Credit
Zane – Merit	Charlotte – Merit,
Year 6: Noah – Distinction	Madeleine – Credit
Indianna – Credit	Tahlee - Merit

We would like to congratulate all students who participated in the English Assessment. These Awards were presented to the students at the Year 6 Final Assembly.

Laurece Godde
UNSW Assessments Coordinator

SRC CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Thank you to everyone for the donations to the Christmas Raffle and to all those who purchased tickets. The Raffle was drawn before the Year 6 Assembly on Monday afternoon.

Congratulations to our winners: 1st prize was won by Aleshia 5H, the remainder of the winners were able to make their selection from the 10 remaining very worthwhile prizes. The 10 lucky people were: Jonny 5H, Edwyn 1M, Mackenzie 4P, Gina 3L, Baylee 2S, Aleshia 5H, Vanessa 5/6L, Clayton 3T, Zara 1M and Lauren 3B.

The SRC raised a total of \$347.10. This together with some remaining money from our other fundraisers will make \$500 that the SRC are contributing to the renewal of the back playground. We look forward to seeing and utilising it next year.

Mrs Karen Marshall
SRC Co-ordinator

FREE ICEBLOCKS FROM THE LIBRARY!

Congratulations to KN, 4MB and K-6TC the first classes to return ALL their Library books. Thank you very much you make me happy!! I will be giving you all an iceblock this week, enjoy!

All Library books are now overdue; please return them to the Library **tomorrow**. Could parents please assist with this? Year 6 has the most books overdue and as they do not return to SPS next year I am concerned that I may not get them back at all.

I love my job, playing a role in encouraging all students to have a love of reading. Research says that students who read and are read to as a chosen activity in their leisure time achieve better results academically. Please take advantage of the Upper Hunter Library over the holidays, the lovely people there are only too pleased to help you.

READ READ READ

Merry Christmas and enjoy your holiday reading time.

Mrs Marshall
Teacher Librarian

CANTEEN NEWS

Due to a shortage of company supplies there will be no pizzas available until next year. We wish you all a Merry Christmas from the canteen staff.

Rachael Johnson

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 4 WEEK 10 2016	
12 Dec	Racheal Johnson
13 Dec	Rachael Johnson
14 Dec	Rachael Johnson
15 Dec	Wendy Paterson Emma O'Brien Brooke McInerney
16 Dec	Wendy Paterson Liz Coonan

COMMUNITY NEWS

Upper Hunter Shire Libraries Summer Reading Club. School holiday activities to be held at your local library. Please contact your local library for more details. Activities include Story time, decorating wooden car frames, basket weaving and much more. Activities are running on various dates during January 2017.

Christmas Services Anglican Parish of Scone
Sunday 11 Dec 11.15am St Jude's Bunnaburra Sunday 18 Dec St Matthew's Gundy. Saturday 24 Dec Christmas Eve at St Luke's. 5.30pm Families Together at Christmas. Drinks and biscuits afterwards. 7.30pm Family Communion 11.00pm Midnight Communion. Sunday 25 Dec Christmas Day at St Luke's 8am Christmas Communion.

**WE WISH YOU ALL A SAFE
AND MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR**

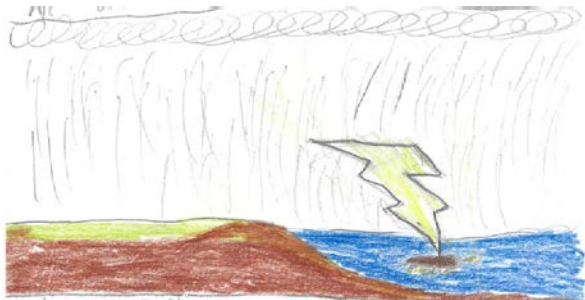


The following story has been written and illustrated by Dusty Burnett.

Once Upon A Zap!

Once upon a time there lived a turtle. The turtle's name was Bill he lived near a pond. One day it was stormy so Bill quickly got into the pond but lightning struck the water and then Bill got zapped. He was a super Turtle! He was faster than the flash.

When Bill woke up the next morning he felt different but then he heard someone shouting Help! Help! Help!



He ran to the rescue, people were taking turtles. He ran and wacked them in the legs. They all fell over and quickly got back up. He quickly got the other turtle and ran away. They both were safe and he got to be a superhero.



Transport
for NSW

School travel 2017

Application information Nov 2016

Information for parents, guardians and students

Our school has partnered with Transport for NSW to use the new online process for you to submit school travel applications.

This means we will be able to process your applications online, making it easier and faster for parents, guardians and students to apply for school travel.

Applications for school travel in 2017 are now open, including for travel to Mascot and Green Square station and for private ferries. Parents, guardians and students are encouraged to apply as soon as they are able via:

Applications for 2017 school travel are now open via www.transportnsw.info/school-students

A new application is required when:

- applying for a School Opal card or travel pass for the first time,
- enrolling in Kindergarten, or
- requesting an additional entitlement as a result of a shared parental responsibility situation.

You will need to do an update application if the student has a current school travel pass and:

- is progressing from Year 2 to Year 3,
- is progressing from Year 6 to Year 7, or
- changes address, or
- changes school or campus.

Already have a School Opal card or travel pass?

- When you've updated, and you are eligible for free school travel next year, Transport for NSW will send you an email confirmation once your application has been processed. For travel in rural or regional NSW, we'll also inform your nominated transport operator(s).
- If you already have a School Opal card that does not need updating, or you've successfully re-applied, the Opal card will automatically be updated for travel next year. Do not throw it out as you'll be able to use it when the school year starts in 2017.
- If you currently have a printed travel pass provided by your transport operator, a new pass will be ready at the beginning of the new school year.