

Scone Public School Newsletter

Success for all



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TERM 2 WEEK 10

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

I would like to wish all our students and staff a restful and fun two week break. It has been a busy term with many fantastic achievements by students. I know everyone will appreciate the "down" time and the chance to get on top of the winter ailments.

Can I encourage parents to continue to support students with their reading over the holiday break. The Scone Town library has a great selection of books to borrow to keep all levels of reader going. Over the colder days reading is a perfect activity to keep students occupied and discussion about what they are reading is always great for a dinner table conversation.

The school has a School Development Day on Monday 18 July with only teachers returning on this day. All students are expected to return on Tuesday 19 July.

Next term we will have the addition of Chaplain Glen Hughes joining our staff. You can read more about him in this newsletter and next term you will be able to read "Chaplain's Corner" which will have information regarding how to support your child socially and emotionally.

Have a safe and happy holiday!

Deborah Fisher -Relieving Principal

*Value for the week:
Compassion & Caring*

WONDERFUL DANCE EXPERIENCE

Last Wednesday six Stage 3 students and eleven students from Scone High School had the opportunity to attend a performance of the Bangarra Dance Theatre at the Sydney Opera House.

The students saw two pieces –

Macq which was a piece that focuses on the true story of the Appin Massacre of 1816, involving the Dharawal people of the coastal regions of south of Sydney, the colonial NSW military (under Governor of NSW, Lachlan Macquarie), and the white settlers of the region.

Miyagan which was a piece that explored the Kinship systems in Aboriginal society and the way these systems are designed to sustain culture and



Bangarra Dance Company



support families and communities through sharing, reciprocity, and a highly sophisticated set of social and familial guidelines.

At the conclusion of the dances, the students were able to listen to the Choreographers talking about their pieces as well as having an opportunity to ask them questions about the dances as well as the Bangarra Dance Theatre. They were also given the opportunity to speak personally with some of the dancers.

It was a pleasure to spend the day with the seventeen students.

Laurece Godde & Mel Powell

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 2 2016

| Date | Event |
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| Tues, 28 June | Reports home / P & C meeting |
| Fri, 1 July | Last day Term 2 |
| Tues, 19 July | Students return Term 3 |
| Fri, 22 July | Sports Presentation – Athletics Ribbons 2pm |



Students at the Bangarra Dance Festival

GREAT EFFORT AT MULTICULTURAL SPEAKING

Eloise, Thomas and Hayley both from Stage 2 and 3, have been working hard preparing entertaining speeches to deliver at this year's Multicultural Public Speaking Competition. It was held at Rutherford Public School last Tuesday 21 June against a field of approximately ten speakers in each division. These outstanding speakers performed credibly and should be very proud of their efforts. All had to give a prepared speech on the theme of multiculturalism as well as an impromptu speech on the topic 'Promises', Stage 2 topic and 'The Hard Road', Stage 3 topic. Whilst no one from our school will progress further in this competition, all our competitors spoke eloquently and deserve high praise for their performances. It was wonderful to see these students voluntarily putting themselves forward to participate in this competition, preparing their speeches in their own time. The school is very proud of their efforts.

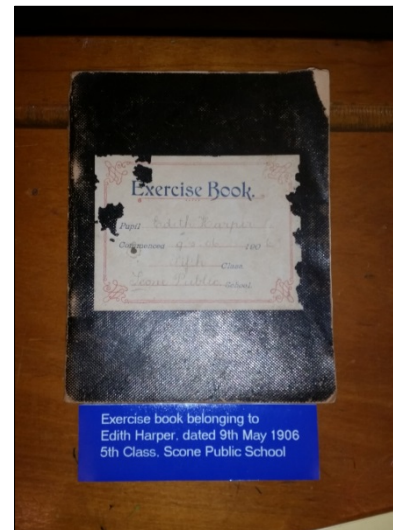
Nicole Borg

INTERESTING EXCURSION

Last Wednesday 2 June, Stage 2 visited the local Scone Historical Museum. During our visit we had some lovely volunteers teach us about Scone's history. We got to see some fascinating things like



old machinery, images and facts about historical buildings and some old school equipment including a 100 year old exercise book from our school!



We saw the old Scone holding cell and the volunteers locked us in there for a short time. We learnt a lot on our excursion and had a great time. Thank you to the dedicated volunteers from the Scone and Upper Hunter Historical Society for sharing their knowledge with us.

Stage 2 teachers

LET'S CELEBRATE BOOK WEEK

Book Week is a celebration of the publication of great children's books in Australia. This year Scone Public School are celebrating Book Week from Monday 15 – Friday 19 August (NB this is one week earlier than the official Book Week).

The slogan for this year is 'Australia: My Story'. At Scone Public School we alternate years with a whole school concert or a Book Week Parade. This year is the Book Week Parade. **The Parade will be on Thursday 18 August at 10:00am.**

Each class chooses one of the Short Listed Books, they read the book, make a class poster that will be displayed in the Library for the next twelve months and dress up to reflect the book and its characters. Hopefully all classes will have chosen their 'theme' for dressing up by the end of Term 2 to give parents time to source or make a dress up costume.

We will also have a Book Fair in the Library with lots of great books to purchase.

Any questions please do not hesitate to come to the library and talk to me.

*Mrs Karen Marshall
Teacher Librarian*

WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL



Our new School Chaplain, Mr Glen Hughes, (pictured) will be working at Scone Public School on Tuesdays, beginning next term. Glen has a background in teaching as well as being an Anglican minister. Glen is also the chaplain at Aberdeen Public School.

In the Public School system chaplains work under the direction of the Principal and are able to run specific programs tailored to the needs of the school such as grief and loss, resilience building and anti-bullying. Chaplains also provide one-on-one care, mentoring and support for students, parents and staff. The chaplain does not primarily deal with religious matters, but is able to respond to religious or spiritual questions that students, parents or staff may have.

For more information, or to speak to the chaplain, please contact the school office.

NEW ONLINE PAYMENTS FOR SCHOOL

We have launched a new online payment portal linked to your school's website to make it easier for you to pay for school related payments. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.

What expenses can be paid online?

- Voluntary School Contributions
- Subject Contributions
- Excursions
- Sport
- Creative and Practical Arts
- Sales to Students
- Other
- **When?** This payment method will go live on 7 June 2016.
- **How?** Log onto School site at www.scone-p.schools.nsw.edu.au. Click on "Make a Payment" and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or MasterCard.

PARENT CORNER - HEALTH

Winter – is upon us – please ensure that your child wears their full school winter uniform including their jumper when the weather is so cold. Keeping warm will often help prevent chills and colds occurring.

Impetigo is an infection of the skin. It is often called "School Sores". Impetigo is very easily spread. Impetigo is an infection of the skin caused by some bacteria which usually live on the skin, in the throat or nose without causing a problem. Sometimes these bacteria cause an infection such as impetigo, sore throat or other infection. The sores can be anywhere on the body but are often on the face near the mouth and nose, or on the arms and legs.

It is very easily spread and is usually itchy. Impetigo usually starts with a blister or group of blisters.

The sore is itchy and children can spread the infection by scratching to other parts of their body. The sore takes about 4 – 10 days to develop after contact and can be infectious as long as it is weeping. Usually it has stopped being infectious about 24hrs after treatment with antibiotics.

A child with Impetigo needs to be checked by a doctor to confirm and generally antibiotics are prescribed.

Keep the child home from school for at least 24hrs after treatment has begun and the sores need to be covered.

Scarlett Fever is a type of bacterial infection that also features a red (scarlet) rash. Symptoms of Scarlett Fever usually appear between one and three days after infection and include a very red sore throat, fever and a red rash. The rash may appear two days after the child starts to feel ill. Symptoms may also include: red bumps on their tongue, headache, sore throat, nausea & vomiting, aches all over their body. You should see a doctor if your child has a very sore throat & red rash. If diagnosed, the doctor may prescribe antibiotics. Children should stay home while they are unwell and for 24hrs after starting antibiotics.

The best way for your child to avoid these illnesses is by washing their hands often. Children should be encouraged to cover their nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing.

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop will be open during the first week of the school holidays on Monday 4 July from 11am to 3pm. Second hand items will be up for sale at cheap prices to clear the shop.

Deb Potter

COMMUNITY NEWS

NAIDOC Week Celebrations: Songlines: The Living narrative of our nation. 3 – 10 July 2016.

Monday 4 July from 10am – Official welcome and flag raising ceremony. Join us in the Town Square (outside the Scone Administration Centre) for the official welcome and flag raising ceremony, performance by Wakagetti dance group, followed by morning tea. 10.40am: Story telling and craft activities at Scone Library. Aboriginal display in the foyer of the Scone Admin Centre.

RSVP: by Friday 1 July to Michelle Miller on: 6540 1152 or Amanda Catzikiris on: 6540 1153. UHSC.

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2 WEEK 10 2016

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| Mon, 27 June | Cassandra Wilson |
| Tues, 28 June | Racheal Johnson |
| Wed, 29 June | Wendy Paterson |
| Thurs, 30 June | Wendy Paterson |
| Fri, 1 July | Wendy Paterson / Kim Mackay |

ASSEMBLIES:

Yrs 3 – 6 2pm
Yrs K – 2 12.10pm Item
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Good for Kids good for life

SCREEN FREE QUIET TIME

Some families have a daily quiet time where everyone takes a break. Do your children watch movies during their quiet time?

Why not try some of these activities instead to reduce the amount of screen time they are exposed to during the day and to keep their minds active!

- 🍎 Reading books
- 🍎 Arts and crafts
- 🍎 Puzzles
- 🍎 Card games
- 🍎 Listening to some relaxing music
- 🍎 Spending time in the garden



Adapted from: Murrumbidgee Local Health District Quick Bites



Health
Hunter New England
Local Health District

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Scone Public School



Kindergarten 2017

Enrolling now

Please contact the school for an invitation and more details regarding
Enrolment

Orientation Day

Wednesday, 10 August 2016

9.30 am to 11.00 am

Followed
by five fun-filled transition afternoons
of classroom activities.

TUESDAY, 18 OCTOBER 2016 : 2.15pm to 3.00pm

TUESDAY, 25 OCTOBER 2016 : 2.15pm to 3.00pm

TUESDAY, 1 NOVEMBER 2016 : 2.15pm to 3.00pm

TUESDAY, 8 NOVEMBER 2016 : 2.15pm to 3.00pm

TUESDAY, 15 NOVEMBER 2016 : 2.15pm to 3.00pm

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If you're in Years 3-12, come and enjoy a
FUN DAY of SPORT
10.00 AM to 1.45 PM
Wednesday 6 July 2016
(First week of School Holidays)
at the
BILL ROSE SPORTS FIELDS

This is NOT a competition, just a chance to
have lots of fun and try lots of different sports!

**Come dressed as your
FAVOURITE SPORTS PERSON**
(prize for the best dressed)

Please wear sports clothes and shoes, bring a hat, water bottle and



A BIG SMILE



**Program also includes fun events: 3-legged races,
kick the footy, toss the netball**

RSVP: youthevents@upperhunter.nsw.gov.au by Monday 4 July

Cost \$10 per person

(includes morning tea & lunch)

Parents must sign children in and fill in a form

