

Scone Public School Newsletter

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TERM 2 WEEK 7

Tuesday 7 June 2016

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

What a fabulous community we live in! We were well supported at the Bloom Markets on the weekend, despite the inclement weather. Our P&C did a wonderful job at coordinating the different stalls and parents contributed in many ways. We had parents sending in yummy cakes and soups, books and tombolas all very well received by children and adults alike. We had many families helping on stalls or visiting the markets to support this major P&C fundraiser. Some of our Year 5 students used this opportunity to display their citizenship and leadership skills and are well on their way to being tomorrow's leaders.

I would like to thank everyone for their support of the markets. Together we make a difference for our students.

Deborah Fisher -Relieving Principal

*Value for the week:
Co-operation*

RECONCILIATION WEEK FLAG RAISING CEREMONY

Last Wednesday, Harmony (6S), Riley (6S) and Vanessa (5/6L) represented Scone Public School at the Muswellbrook Shire Council annual flag raising of the Aboriginal Flag during National Reconciliation Week. National Reconciliation Week celebrates and builds on the relationships shared by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and other Australians.



The girls listened to why it was important that we recognise this occasion. All student representatives present were asked to be part of the actual flag raising.

CONGRATULATIONS PUBLIC SPEAKING GRAND FINALISTS

Congratulations to the following students who have performed creditably in their Stage Final to win through to the John Townsend Public Speaking Grand Final next week.

Early Stage 1 – Shana, Isabella, Emmett and Thomas

Year 1 – Alexander, Rozenna and Vanessa

Year 2 – Flynn, Angus and Isla

Year 3 – Hallie, Lauren and Lachlan

Year 4 – Mackenzie, Campbell and Hayden

Year 5 – Charlie, James and Jonny

Year 6 – Madeleine, Noah and Charlotte

Kindergarten and Stage One Grand Final will be held at 12 noon on Tuesday 14 June and conclude at approximately 1:30pm. Stage Two and Three's Grand Final will take place on Wednesday 15 June at 12 noon and finish at 3pm. All family, friends and interested persons are most welcome to attend. Best of luck to all speakers.

Nicole Borg

BEST WISHES TO ALL ENTRANTS

Over the next couple of weeks Scone Public School will see many of our students perform in the Muswellbrook and Upper Hunter Eisteddfod. Class 3B are participating in the Choral Speaking sections, reciting two poems.

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 1 2016

Date	Event
Thurs, 9 June	SHS Orientation Day
Tues, 14 June	K-2 Public Speaking Grand Final
Wed, 15 June	3 – 6 Public Speaking Grand Final
Mon, 20 June	Final Payment due – Aussie Bush Camp

The following students will repeat their school public speech in the Apex Schools Public Speaking sections; From Early Stage 1; Shana, from Stage 1 Flynn and Alexander, from Stage 2 Mackenzie and Hallie and from Stage 3 Charlie and Madeleine. This event will take place at 5pm on Wednesday 8 June at St James' Catholic Primary School Hall, Skellatar Stock Route, Muswellbrook.

Our marvellous students who recited poetry so beautifully last term will also be competing. Good luck to Rozenna, Zoran, Annika, Hallie, Lachlan, Mackenzie, Madeleine, James, Tristan and Noah. Days and times vary for this section of the Eisteddfod.

All interested persons are invited to attend. Please note there is a small admission fee of approximately \$3.

We wish them all the best and recognise the hard work undergone by all entrants in preparation for their performance. Thanks to parents and teachers who have supported the children in their endeavours in these areas.

It is wonderful to see so many eager to share their talents in this way.

Nicole Borg

MATHS CAN BE FUN

Last Tuesday 31 May 3 / 4T Number Groups had a special guest named Marcus Garrett. He helped us

to understand fractions and how they work. He asked three people to stand behind a chair. There were three chocolates on the chairs it was a Milky Bar and the thirteen people had to line up behind the chair you wanted. We learnt that the more people behind a chair the more fractions you had to share.

Then we had to do a 'Pizzeria Mathematica' Fraction pizza work sheet with Marcus. So what we had to do was put some tomato paste on the whole pizza, mushrooms 3 lots of $\frac{1}{8}$, Chicken $\frac{1}{4}$, pepperoni $\frac{1}{2}$, green capsicum $\frac{1}{8}$ and sprinkle olives across two lots of $\frac{1}{4}$ on the pizza. He taught us what an Equivalent fractions are it means two of the same fractions are the same. A Denomination is many parts are in the whole. After when Marcus left the class room, Miss Tomlinson gave us a Milky Bar each.

Ella 4MD and Charlie 3T

**GREAT WEBSITE FOR MATHS**

The original "A Maths Dictionary for Kids" is an animated, interactive online math dictionary for students, which explains over 630 common mathematical terms and math words in simple language with definitions, examples, activities, practice and calculators.

<http://www.amathsdictionaryforkids.com/>

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.

INTERESTING NARRATIVES

1TW have been learning how to write narratives. They are also learning how to add descriptive words to make their stories sound more interesting. We hope you find these entertaining!

Once upon a time there was a lovely princess and a handsome prince. The princess was wearing a pretty pink dress. The prince was wearing a blue shirt and grey track suit pants. They fell in love. They lived in a beautiful castle and they had a beautiful day together. They lived happily ever after.
Gypsy

Once upon a time there was a beautiful princess stuck in a castle high up in the sky. Then there appeared a prince! He fought the dragon and the prince won! He couldn't believe it. Then the princess fell in love with him and they lived happily ever after.
Gabriella

YEAR 6 PARENTS- EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR SCONE HIGH SCHOOL

This is a reminder that Year 6 students were expected to have returned their expression of interest forms at the end of last term. These help high schools to plan and prepare classes for 2017. Scone High School will be sending out their offers of placement by the end of next week. Please ensure that you return the EOI in order to receive an offer for 2017.

CAN YOU HELP

Scone Public School offers the MultiLit program to students who require a little extra help with their reading skills. At the moment we have two wonderful ladies listening to and helping students each morning Monday to Thursday. Unfortunately, one of these ladies will be leaving us in August which will leave a large gap in our program. The person we are seeking needs to have a genuine commitment to help our students succeed. This is a wonderful opportunity to be part of a vibrant group within the school. All training will be provided. If you or someone you know is interested in helping our students, please contact Sharon on 65451049.

MATHS BOOK

Targeting Maths Dictionary books are available for purchase through the school office for \$12 – they are a great resource for parents.

PARENT CORNER

Disposition for the week: Connect

At Scone Public School students will make meaningful links between **their own learning and experiences**, the **world around them** and **other people**.

How can you help at home? Making connections when reading: Explain to your child that you are going to practice the strategy of making connections to find ways that they can personally relate to a text. Ask them to think about the following questions:

- Focusing on text-to-self connections:
What does this story remind you of?
Can you relate to the characters in the story?
Does anything in this story remind you of anything in your own life?
- Focusing on text-to-text connections:
What does this remind you of in another book you have read? How is this text similar to other things you have read?
How is this text different from other things you have read?
- Focusing on text-to-world connections:
What does this remind you of in the real world? How are events in this story similar to things that happen in the real world?
How are events in this story different from things that happen in the real world?


Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to enjoy all forms of fruit & veg.

Fresh fruit and vegetables are an essential part of a healthy diet.

But did you know frozen, chilled, canned and dried fruit and veg also count towards your daily number of serves? (Aim for 2 serves of fruit and 5 of veg.)



These alternatives are a great option:

- when fresh is in short supply;
- for convenience (storage, time saving);
- to stock the fridge, freezer and cupboard, so you'll always have fruit and veg on hand!

Top tips:

- Choose "no added salt" or "salt reduced" canned veg and fruit in "natural juice" not syrup.
- Limit dried fruit to no more than one serve a day (approx. 30g) as too much can lead to excess weight gain and tooth decay.

For more information visit
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ASSEMBLIES:

Yrs 3 – 6 2pm
Yrs K – 2 12.10pm

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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