

SCONE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Success For All

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Term 4 Week 2

Tuesday 17 October 2017

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

On Monday we welcomed the Kinder students for 2018 as they continued with their transition to school. Our Year 5 students did a great job in making them feel supported as they start their journey to 'Big School'. The Year 5 Buddies demonstrated what great role models they are in their full school uniforms and using terrific manners and encouraging words with their little Buddy. Well done students.

Last Friday we had a very successful fundraiser for Hat Day. Our Youth Council representatives organised this initiative at school to raise money for Rotary to put towards research into Mental Health. They also joined other members of the Youth Council to walk around Scone collecting money from local businesses and community members. I was very proud of our students who represented the school and Youth Council well.

This week we have students participating in Digi Ed workshops. This animated story telling is very engaging and shows the potential for using information technology across the curriculum. We look forward to seeing the finished products in the near future.

We also wish Archie good luck at the State Athletics later this week. We will be cheering you on and know you will give your best efforts in your races.

Deborah Fisher
Principal

VALUE OF THE WEEK: RESPECT
SCHOOL RULE FOCUS: BE SAFE

HAT DAY

Friday 13 October was Hat Day to raise funds for Rotary research into mental health. The workers and children at Scone Public School were asked to wear a hat to work or school for a gold coin donation. The Youth Council Representatives, Hallee and Zane walked around town asking for donations. The fundraiser was successful as we raised \$201.00.

Hallee and Zane

SPORTS NEWS

Stroke correction for sport will begin this Friday for Years 4, 5 and 6. The students will be assessed on their swimming ability and placed into groups on Friday. This program will run for the next five weeks. Make sure that your child has sunscreen, a hat and water in their swimming bag as they will be walking to and from the pool. Please label all sport clothing to avoid missing items.

Regional Athletics ribbons will be presented this Friday along with PSSA Netball certificates.

We would like to wish Archie (6S) good luck at State Athletics who will be representing the Hunter in the 800m.

Vicky Schofield
Sports Co-Ordinator

DATES FOR THE CALENDAR

Tuesday 17 Oct

Digi Ed

Wednesday 18 Oct

State Athletics

Thursday 19 Oct

Play2Learn

State Athletics

UH Youth Council

Friday 20 Oct

K-2 Athletics Carnival

Stroke Correction starts

Monday 23 Oct

Kinder Transition #2

Friday 15 Dec

2nd Canberra Instalment
Due



CANTEEN ROSTER

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16 Oct Rachael J

17 Oct Rachael J

18 Oct Rachael J

19 Oct Sharon G

20 Oct Wendy J

Wendy P

K-2 Athletics Carnival

20 Oct Rachael J

Peta Hogan

Term 4 Week 3

23 Oct Rachael J

24 Oct Rachael J

25 Oct Rachael J

26 Oct Liz C

27 Oct Priscilla R

ASSEMBLIES:

No Assembly K-Yr 2

2.00PM Years 3-6

SAVE THE DATE

Scone Public School will be holding our 2017 Presentation Day on Friday 8 December. It will commence at 10.00am with K – 2 Awards followed by the 3 – 6 Awards. Our 2018 School Leaders will be announced during the 3 – 6 section. As in previous years all students K – 6 will be recognised for the success during the year at Scone Public School. We look forward to our school community joining us on this very special day.

SUMMER UNIFORMS – TERM FOUR

This term all students should be transitioning to the school's summer uniform. If your child is having trouble getting any aspect of the school uniform please make enquiries with our front office and we will be more than happy to assist you.

Girls Blue and white check dress
Navy socks
Black school shoes
Navy or blue hair accessories

Boys School blue summer shirt
Grey shorts (not cargo style)
Grey socks
Black school shoes

**ATTENDANCE WEEKLY SPOTLIGHT- ARRIVING AT SCHOOL ON TIME**

When students arrive at school on time they can feel better about school and themselves. It builds good habits. School is the first job your child will have and by turning up on time it sets up good habits for when they leave school and obtain a job. The first few hours of the day are the best learning time for children.

How things go at home in the morning can set the tone for the day ahead. A predictable and positive morning routine for school can help children arrive at school feeling calm, fed and ready to make the most of the first few hours.

WHAT CAN PARENTS DO TO ASSIST WITH GETTING TO SCHOOL ON TIME?

Set a regular bed time and morning routine.

Lay out clothes and pack bags the night before.

Organise lunches and set breakfast table ready for the morning. Breakfast is one of the most important meals of the day and helps your child to concentrate better at school.

Try to find out the night before if there is anything special going on at school the next day. Use a weekly schedule or calendar with reminders of what your child needs to take to school each day for example library books, news, homework etc.

Stay calm and stick to a regular morning routine helps your child predict what's coming, and remember what they need to do.

Set timers to have certain jobs done in a set time frame eg cleaning teeth.

Praise your child for being responsible and being organised.

Cut down distractions like television, tablets and other devices.

Encourage your child to catch the bus or walk so that they can learn to become independent.

BIKES AND SCOOTER SAFETY

All bikes and scooters must be walked into and out of the school via the Hill Street gate. We have asked that students walk their bikes and scooters whilst they are on the path outside the school to avoid running into other students or parents with small children entering our school.

We have had reports that students have been observed by other community members outside of the school acting in an unsafe way on their travels to and from school. We encourage all students to get off their bikes and scooters when crossing any roads. Please discuss these important points with your child to reinforce bike and scooter safety.

PLAY 2 LEARN

Play to learn is set to commence this week. It is held in the Scone Public School hall on Thursdays from 9.30am to 11am. All children ages 0 to six are welcome to attend.

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL ENTRY TO YEAR 7 IN 2019

Parents of current Year 5 students who wish to send their child to a selective high school need to be aware that applications for entry to Year 7 in 2019 open on 10 October 2017 and close on 13 November 2017. You must apply by the due date. Please refer to the following web page for further information about the selective high schools and the process involved. <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY**PLEASE HAVE YOUR SAY**

An opportunity for parents to give our school feedback is available through the 'Tell them from Me Parent Survey'. We would appreciate if parents could access the following link and complete the survey. The information you provide is invaluable in evaluating our current School Plan and planning for the future of our school.

We thank you for your help! <https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/ysp6f>

COMMUNITY NEWS

Scone Films will be screening the romantic comedy, **The Big Sick**, starring **Ray Romano** of *Everybody Loves Raymond*. Don't be put off by the title! This very funny and heartfelt cross-cultural courtship in New York, is rated 98% by Rotten Tomatoes. Rated **M**, it will screen at **7.30pm Friday 20th October**, at their pop-up cinema at the Senior Citizen's Centre, Oxford Road, Scone. Tickets are \$12. To be sure of a ticket, purchase in advance at Hunt a Book, Scone. Running time is 2hr. Everyone is welcome. Details www.sconefilms.org.au www.facebook.com/sconefilms


**SCHOOL CHAPLAIN POSITION**

Generate Ministries invites applications for the position of School Chaplain at [Scone Public School](#). ([Beginning 2018](#))

Generate School Chaplains work in partnership with schools, local Chaplaincy Support Teams and Generate Ministries to provide pastoral care in NSW Government School communities.

Generate Ministries is a Christian organisation employing School Chaplains in NSW state schools. All Generate employees must adhere to the Generate Statements of Belief and Code of Conduct.

Application information can be found at mychaplain.org.au or calling **Fergus Taylor** on 0432741110



100 Years of Beersheba

Saturday & Sunday 28 - 29 October 2017
at Murrurundi, NSW

Schools are invited to submit paintings to be displayed at the RSL Hall at Murrurundi inspired by the book "Midnight-The story of a light horse".

- Colour paintings preferred on heavier A4 size paper, portrait or landscape
- Paintings to be put up with blu tack by the schools at the Murrurundi RSL Hall from Wednesday 25 October 2017
- Display will be open from 10am - 4pm on Saturday and Sunday 28-29 October 2017
- 11 am Saturday 28 October 12th Light Horse Ceremonial Parade, Murrurundi Oval. Also, Historical Society Display, Warer Movie and book stands.
- Please contact Mandy Archibald 0415 503632 for more details

