

SCONE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 2 Week 10

Tuesday 27 June 2017

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

A big thank you to all the parents and members of the community who supported the P & C Blooms markets on Saturday. It was a wonderful day and I have received positive feedback regarding the feel of the markets and how well it showcased our school and parent community. A huge thank you to the P & C Bloom Market committee for the amazing job they did to plan and coordinate the markets. We can't wait until 4 November for the next one.

Yesterday we celebrated NAIDOC Week and officially opened the Yarning Circle. The weather was in our favour and the students enjoyed participating in many cultural activities. Thank you to Mel Powell for coordinating the event. It was a great success.

Deborah Fisher
Relieving Principal

VALUE OF THE WEEK: Compassion and Caring
SCHOOL RULE FOCUS: Be Respectful

DEBATING GALA DAY

Our talented 2017 debating team competed in a Zone Gala Day last Thursday, here at Scone Public School. We entered two teams, and each team debated twice on the day, against teams from Broke, Singleton Heights and Aberdeen. Education and The Media were the themes for the debates, and the general knowledge of our students really shone through in their arguments and rebuttals. Out of the four debates, Scone Public School won two, and made vast improvements in their arguments and presentation based on adjudicator feedback in the first debate. Well done to all of those debaters – Dusty, Luca, Marshall, Tristan G., Eleanor, Lilly, Mackenzie, Alex and Ozzie. Our teams will participate in a second gala day in Week 3 of next term.

Anthea Shoesmith
Debating Co-Ordinator

NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

Scone Public School NAIDOC Week Celebrations started with an Assembly which honours the theme of "**Our Languages Matter**".

NAIDOC Week is held each year in the first week of July to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, culture and achievements. This year we celebrated this significant occasion by recognising the importance, resilience and richness of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander language.

The 2017 theme - *Our Languages Matter* - aims to emphasise and celebrate the unique and essential role that Indigenous languages play in cultural identity, linking people to their land and water and in the transmission of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, spirituality and rites, through story and song.

We were fortunate enough to be entertained by the Wakagetti Dance Group and Mr Ritchie Lawton played the didgeridoo.

DATES FOR THE CALENDAR

Tuesday 27 June

Jolly Bops Science Show
School Reports Home
Friday 30 June
Rewards Day
Thursday 27 July
Kinder 2018
Orientation Day



CANTEEN ROSTER

Term 2 Week 10

26 Jun Racheal J
27 Jun Rachael J
28 Jun Rachael J
29 Jun Emma O'Brien
30 Jun Wendy P
Krichelle K

Term 3 Week 1

17 Jul Pupil Free Day
18 Jul Racheal J
19 Jul Racheal J
20 Jul Rachael C
21 Jul Wendy P
Sharon C

ASSEMBLIES:

**No Assemblies
this week due to
rewards day**

With Language being the theme in celebrating NAIDOC week the whole school performed “Head, Shoulder, Knees and Toes” in the Gamilaraay Language.

We officially opened our Yarning Circle which is a place of learning and sharing of cultural knowledge. The students then partook in a traditional Cultural Smoking Ceremony.



This year throughout the day students participated in a variety of workshops: These workshops were:

- Traditional Indigenous Games lead by our Year 5 Aboriginal students
- Aboriginal Culture and Didgeridoo workshop with Mr Ritchie Lawton
- Aboriginal Art Workshop with Amy Saunders

The whole day was a huge success and we would like to thank everyone that was involved.

BLOOMS MARKETS SUCCESS

Congratulations to the Bloom Markets Committee for organising such an amazing day on Saturday. Their extraordinary efforts have raised more than \$5700 for our school!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this success by donating items for our stalls. To the parents, teachers and students who gave their time to help run the stalls, your help was sincerely appreciated –THANK YOU! We'd really like to see more helpers come on board next time to make it an even bigger and better event.

Lastly, thank you to everyone who bought tickets in our raffle. We are fortunate to have received such generous support from the local businesses who donated all the prizes. Please help show them our appreciation by supporting them whenever you can by shopping locally.

P & C Committee





LOST PROPERTY

The SRC sorted through the enormous collection of Lost Property which has accumulated over Term 2 from in the box outside 2W's room last Thursday lunchtime. We have returned all items with names on them to their owners.

The items with no names are displayed on a table outside the Library. Parents please feel free to come and browse for anything your child is missing. On Friday all remaining items will be disposed of i.e. washed and reallocated to 'Sick Bay', the Clothing Pool or to a charity.

This task would not be so onerous if all items that students brought to school were clearly labelled, including hats, jumpers, lunch boxes and drink bottles. Thank you

SRC



Registrations are now OPEN for two Youth Mental First Aid Training Workshops in **ABERDEEN** and **MUSWELLBROOK**

Thanks to the extraordinary donations that have been made to Where there's a Will, these workshops (valued at \$490 per person) will be delivered FREE by world class presenter Geoffrey Ahern.

Geoff is an extremely insightful leader in mental health who works alongside Victorian police in emergency response.

This course is quite simply not to be missed if you are a parent, carer or work with young people aged 10 to 25

ABERDEEN workshop THURSDAY 27th July (DAY ONE) and FRIDAY 28th July (DAY TWO)

At the Aberdeen RSL Club

MUSWELLBROOK workshop SATURDAY 29th July (DAY ONE) and SUNDAY 30th July (DAY TWO)

Venue TBA

Please note, it is possible to do the first day in Aberdeen and second day in Muswellbrook or vice versa if you can only do one day during the week, one on weekend etc.

Both days are from 9 – 4pm with a ½ hour break for lunch, with morning tea and lunch kindly provided by the community.

Course participants will learn about the signs and symptoms of the common and disabling mental health problems, how to provide initial help, where and how to get professional help, what sort of help has been shown by research to be effective, and how to provide first aid in a crisis.

Developing mental health problems covered are: depression, anxiety problems, psychosis and substance use problems

Mental health crisis situations covered are: suicidal thoughts and behaviours, non-suicidal self-injury (sometimes called deliberate self-harm), panic attacks, traumatic events, severe effects of drug or alcohol use, severe psychotic states and aggressive behaviours

To register or for further information please contact:

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