

SCONE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Success For All

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Term 1 Week 4

Tuesday 19 February 2019

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This week we will be holding our Meet the Teacher evening. Each teacher will be in their classrooms between 5.00-6.30pm. This is a great opportunity to see your child's classroom, meet their teacher and hear about the routines and learning program for this term. It is a great time to clarify any of the classroom expectations and discuss how you could help at home to support your child. This is not a time to talk about individual progress or issues. If you would like to discuss your child then the best option is to make an appointment to see the teacher at a mutually convenient time. We do have Parent Teacher Interviews later this term in Week 8.

Today we hosted the Zone Swimming Carnival at the Scone Pool. Mrs Schofield did a fantastic job of coordinating the carnival for all of the Upper Hunter schools. I was very impressed by the school spirit demonstrated by our competitors and congratulate everyone on their individual performances.

Deborah Fisher
Principal



PBL FOCUS EXPECTATION: CONSIDERATE
PBL FOCUS BEHAVIOUR: Accept Everyone

CRICKET SELECTION

Congratulations to Steven A (6D) who has been selected to participate in the Hunter Boys Cricket Trials Friday 8 March. Good Luck Steven.



Steven A 6D

SWIMMING CARNIVAL SUCCESS

Our school swimming carnival was held on Friday 8 February and it was a successful day with 25 students qualifying for zone which was held today in Scone. Thank you to everyone who helped at the swimming carnival.

LITTLE RIPPER WINNERS FOR THE WEEK

Our Friday 15 February Little Ripper Winners – Ice Block from the Canteen
Primary – Alex 3/4B, Bohem 5H, Ava 3L, Eva 6A, Ellenore 4S, Jack 6A, Reg 4S, Olivia 4F, Cooper 3B, Phoebe 5S.

Infants – Kiahna 1C, Chelsea 2S, Angus 2S, Thomas, 1/2D, Jensen 1C, Emily 2S, Koby 2S.

Bluey will be spending his time in 3/4B and KO this week. We look forward to hearing about his adventures this week.



MEET THE TEACHER EVENING

We will be holding our 2019 'Meet the Teacher Evening' on Wednesday 20 February from 5pm – 6.30pm. Please come along and meet your child's 2019 Class Teacher.

Classes 6A and 3M will be holding their 'Meet the Teacher' session from 4pm – 5pm as they will need to attend professional development in Sydney.

DATES FOR THE CALENDAR

19 Feb Zone Swimming
20 Feb Meet the Teacher
21 Feb Youth Council Meeting
Zone Netball Trials
26 Feb SRC Induction
1 Mar Rewards Day
5 Mar P & C AGM



CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 1

Week 4

18 Feb Rachael J
19 Feb Rachael J
20 Feb Rachael J
21 Feb Christine P
22 Feb Kristy O

Week 5

25 Feb Rachael J
26 Feb Rachael J
27 Feb Rachael J
28 Feb Louise M
1 Mar Joy M
Priscilla R

2019 PSSA Trial Dates

19 Feb Zone Swimming
21 Feb Zone Netball Trials
1 Mar Zone AFL
8 Mar Zone Netball
13 Mar Zone Girls and Boys Football
18 Mar Zone 11's and Opens Rugby League
2 Apr Zone Girls and Boys Touch Football

ASSEMBLY TIMES:

9.30AM Years 3-6

12.45PM Years K-2

CONGRATULATIONS TO WEEK 3 LEVEL AWARD RECIPIENTS

Back Row: Olivia C, Sarah R, Bohem W
 Front Row: Phoebe W, Charesse L, Chantelle H, Bryce F

KIA ORA YOUTH MUSIC CAMP 27, 28 and 29 MARCH

The Youth Music Camp is a three day non-residential camp held during school hours for students in Years 3 – 6. The camp consists of a choice of workshops covering Band, Choir, String instruments and Dance options. Students do not need to be currently playing a musical instrument to attend. Notes have been sent home to interested students. If your child wishes to attend this exciting event please see Lizz Hickey for an enrolment form or more information.

SCONE PUBLIC SCHOOL 2019 YOUTH PERFORMANCE POETRY COMPETITION

We have a proud tradition of outstanding poetry performances produced annually by our students at our Youth Performance Poetry Competition. To encourage the love of language and poetry, students of Scone Public School are invited to enter the 2019 Scone Public School Youth Performance Poetry Competition.

The competition will be held on Wednesday, 3 April 2019 in the School Assembly Hall. Infants' competition will take place in the morning session and the Primary entrants will perform from 12 noon on this day.

First, second and third place getters will be announced in each Year group, with all students who place first being invited to perform at the Muswellbrook and Upper Hunter Eisteddfod in Term 2. This invitation could also be extended to other place getters, dependent upon the standard of their performance.

The sections will be as follows;

Individual performances Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 - Free choice of poem OR Australian Poetry

Individual performances Year 3 and Year 4 - Free choice of poem OR Australian Poetry

Individual performances Year 5 and Year 6 - Free choice of poem OR Australian Poetry

Group Performances Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 - Free choice of poem OR Australian Poetry

Group Performances - Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 - Free choice of poem OR Australian Poetry

*Please note that the following time limits apply for each category;

Free choice 3 minute limit and Australian poetry 5 minute time limit. A maximum of five entries only per year group in each section will be selected by classroom teachers after auditions have been held.

All classes will also be participating by presenting a Choral Verse Speaking performance in this competition. If you have any questions or require any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Kind regards
 Nicole Borg
 Competition Coordinator

VISITING PERFORMER FOR STAGE 3

On Tuesday 2 April Stage 3 students will have the opportunity to listen to a performance by Zohab Zee Khan. Zohab is a multitalented spoken word poet, hip hop artist, beat boxer and didgeridoo player. He has built a career in spoken word poetry, culminating in taking out the title of the Australian Poetry Slam Champion in 2014. The students will also have the opportunity to participate in a poetry workshop with Zohab, creating their own Slam Poem! We are looking forward to this exciting visit. Students can find out more about Zohab at www.zohabzee.com

STEVE SIMPSON SHIELD CORRECTION DATE

The Steve Simpson Shield will be held on 27 February in Singleton.

FOOTSTEPS DANCE COMPANY ATTENDS SPS WEEK 7

The Footsteps Dance Company will be returning to our school on 11 March. It is a five day workshop with one session per day covering a variety of dance styles and includes a disco on Thursday 14 March. The cost of the workshop is \$15 and permission notes have been sent home. If your child would like to attend this wonderful workshop please sign the form and return to the class teacher.

Lizz Hickey
Footsteps Coordinator

STATEMENTS OF ACCOUNTS

Statements of accounts have been sent home with your child last Friday. We have invoiced for upcoming school camps to enable regular instalments. (Notes will be sent out shortly regarding these camps.) You can make these payments by using our online payment option or sending the cash in a sealed labelled envelope and placing it in the locked box located outside the office.

In an effort to try to encourage parents to pay their allocated fees we are running a raffle for payment of school fees, paper levy and text book fees. All families that have paid by the 5 April 2019 will be in the running for \$50 'We LIVE Here' card. This card can be used at Brook Outdoors, Melanie's Matthews Family Jewellers, Scone Chemist, Scone Outdoors and Scone Discount Pharmacy and other local businesses.

NDIS - SCHOOL PROCESS FOR THE PROVISION OF SUPPORT DURING SCHOOL HOURS

We have had a number of service providers (eg. Speech Therapists, Occupational Therapists and Counselling Services) contacting the school to organise a time to provide support or therapy to students in the school setting. As a result of this influx and demand our school has set up the following procedures to ensure the safety and clear communication of expectations to any parent requiring a service provision in the school.

1. The parent is to make the first contact with the school to outline who will be providing a service to their child and the nature of this service (Documented request see Appendix 6 - Request for service provision to be conducted during school hours)
2. Meeting with parent and school staff (Principal or Deputy Principal) to establish whether a service provider should provide a service within the school setting. This decision takes into consideration the individual circumstances of the student or group of students and wider needs of the school.
3. The service provider must enter into an Engagement Agreement (Appendix 5)
4. The service provider must provide the school with appropriate Working With Children Check (WWCC) documentation prior to starting their service at the school
5. The service provider must undergo an induction at the school prior to commencing services
6. The school has the responsibility to review the service provision and withdraw external provider access if it is no longer in the student's educational interest or it has adverse consequences for other students, staff or the general running of the school. This will be communicated to the parents and carers.

NDIS Support will start Week 6 – week beginning 4 March.

Parent requests and provider schedules need to be in to the school by Friday 15 February 2019 to enable timetables and communication with relevant parties to be finalised before Monday 4 March.

BLANDFORD HORSE SPORTS

Blandford Public School Horse Sports will be held Friday 8 March 2019 at Rosedale Sports Complex Murrurundi. If your child wishes to attend please see Mrs Roberts for entry forms and further details. Notes and money **must be** returned to Mrs Roberts by Friday 22 February.

Rachael Roberts
Horse Sports Coordinator

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Parents of children from Kindergarten to Year 12 must ensure their children attend school every day. On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstances e.g. attending a funeral

Parents must provide an explanation for absences to the school within seven days from the first day of any period of absence.

The school can be notified by the Skoolbag app, (preferred option), a phone call to the office on 6545 1049 or a note sent to the class teacher.

Where an explanation has not been received within the seven day timeframe, the school will record the absence as unjustified on the student's record.

P & C NEWS

The Annual General Meeting will be held Tuesday 5 March with the General Meeting to follow this. Our regular General Meetings will be held on the following dates -

2 April, 7 May, 4 June, 2 July. All meetings will commence at 6pm and take place in Library. All welcome. Family/child friendly meetings.

SPS DROP OFF AND PICK UP ZONE

There has been some confusion regarding the revamped zone on Hill Street.

The new crossing in Hill street has been completed and new signage put up to indicate the new pick up / drop off zone. Please read the signs carefully to ensure you adhere to the road rules. We would hate for anyone to get a fine.

Please be aware that as of 19 Feb 2019 the "Kiss & Drop Zone" has been relocated to the Liverpool Street side of the new crossing. During the hours of 8am-9:30am and 2:30pm-4pm the angle parking will not be available in that section.

The bus zone is now directly outside of the Hill Street gate, and vehicles other than buses are not to stop there.

Please also note, you can only stop at "Kiss & Drop Zones" for 2 minutes. You're required to remain in, or within 3 metres of, your vehicle. If your child has not arrived within 2 minutes of stopping, you are required to move your vehicle.

There is a minimum penalty of \$165 and 2 demerit points.



COMMUNITY NEWS

SCONE & DISTRICT NETBALL ASSOCIATION 2019 REGISTRATIONS are open for Netsetgo (5-9 years) Juniors (10-13 years) Intermediate (14-17) and Seniors (18+). Please remember you can use your active kids voucher when registering. Registrations will be open until Monday 25th of February 2019.

Go to <http://sconena.nsw.netball.com.au/> and click on the register now button!





REGISTRATION FEES

Entry Town 5-7: \$114
 Junior Town 8-11: \$133
 Youth Town 12-14: \$151
 Inter-District 8-11: \$148
 Inter-District 12-18: \$187
 Senior Amateur: \$312

\$100 Active Kids Vouchers can be used for rebate during registration process

SCONE FC

2019 REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

SATURDAY MORNING TOWN COMP:

U/5 & U/6

U/7 & U/8

U/9 - U/11

U/12 - U/14

Registrations close 30 March 2019

TRAVELLING INTER-DISTRICT TEAMS:

- U/10 - Limited Positions Available
- U/11 - Limited Positions Available
- U/12 - Positions Available
- U/13 - Limited Positions Available
- U/15 - Limited Positions Available
- U/18 - Limited Positions Available

All Age - Contact for further information

Registrations close 1 March 2019

ALL REGISTRATIONS ONLINE:

www.playfootball.com.au

Enquiries to Club Registrar -
 Email: sconefc@huntervalleyfootball.net.au
 Mobile: 0413958478



let's go
to school



Every Day Counts

When your child misses just	that equals per year	and therefore from Kindy to year 6	and therefore from Kindy to Year 12 that is	Your child has missed
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	9 months of school	1 ½ years of school	260 days
1 hour per day	40 days per year	1 and ¼ years of school	Over 2 ½ years of school	520 days
1 day per week	40 days per year	1 and ¼ years of school	Over 2 ½ years of school	520 days
2 days per week	80 days per year	2 and ½ years school	Over 5 years of school	1,040 days
3 days per week	120 days per year	4 years school	Almost 8 years of school	1,560 days

Give your child every chance to succeed.....



Our vision for Aboriginal Education

Scone Public School

Aboriginal Education is valued and respected at Scone Public School and we would like to invite you to join us on *Wednesday 27th February 2019 at 9.30am* for a Yarn Up Get Together morning tea for our Aboriginal families.

We would like to also take this opportunity for you to share your thoughts and ideas in future planning into Aboriginal Education in our school.

Please join us for a yarn and a cuppa.

Scone Public School
Aboriginal Education Team

RSVP: on 65451049 or email: scone-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au