SCONE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 4 Week 8

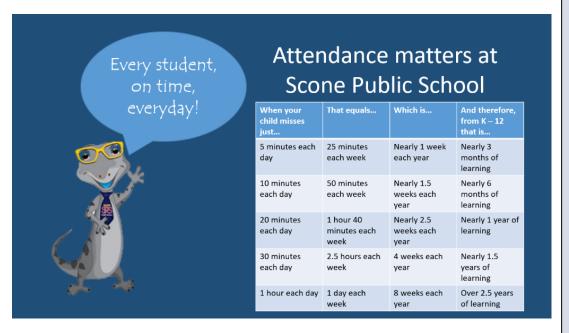
PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This week our Stage 3 students will begin 'High School Weeks'. This transition program supports students in Year 5 and 6 to begin to use the skills and become familiar with routines that they will expect when they enter high school. They are mixed into different groups from their usual class and they follow a timetable and change teachers and subjects, just as they would in high school. This has been well-received by our students and sets them up for success as they transition to high school.

Just a reminder that students who present with COVID 19 symptoms will be sent home and be required to take a COVID test. Students can only return once they are symptom free, have a negative test result or have isolated for 10 school days.

This week our Breakfast Club started back. Our students are able to access the Breakfast Club if they need to. It is at no cost to the students. Breakfast consists of toast or cereal.

Deborah Fisher Principal



Term 4 Week 6		Term 4 Week 7	
94.4%	83.6%	94.1%	82.5%
Attendance Rate	Students Attending >=90% of the time	Attendance Rate	Students Attending >=90% of the time

ASSEMBLY TIMES: Zoom Assembly 1pm

DATES FOR THE CALENDER

3 Dec Presentation Day 8 Dec Year 6 Farewell Dinner

UNIFORM SHOP

Orders can be placed over the phone or emailed to the school office.

The Uniform Shop assistant will call you to arrange a collection time and payment options.

Please check in on arrival using our COVID QR Code.



Week 8
22 Nov Racheal J
23 Nov Racheal J
24 Nov Racheal J
25 Nov Racheal J
26 Nov Kara M
Emma O

Week 9
29 Nov Racheal J
30 Nov Racheal J
1 Dec Racheal J
2 Dec Racheal J
3 Dec Rachell C
Makala B



Being... Responsible
By... Being trustworthy and honest
Playground focus area is... The Toilets

Bluey Awards are handed out in Assemblies on Fridays. 3 Bluey Awards means you earn a Bluey Badge.

SCHOOL BANKING PROGRAM

On 24 October 2021, the Treasurer and Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning, the Hon. Sarah Mitchell MLC, announced that school banking programs will no longer be run in New South Wales schools from 2022.

School banking programs at Scone Public School are arranged at a local level via the school's P&C Association. With the upcoming cessation of the program, students will no longer be able to deposit savings through the school banking program at Scone Public. You can still keep your child's bank account open and can continue to make deposits into your child's accounts through online transfer or at any bank branch. More information is available on the department's school banking website and Commonwealth Bank of Australia's school banking website External link.

The decision was made following the review of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) on 15 December 2020, which found that the costs of the program outweighed the benefits.

Key findings of the review include:

- School banking programs claim to help children develop long term saving habits; however, providers were unable to demonstrate that these programs in and of themselves improve savings behaviour;
- Payments to schools for implementing school banking programs incentivise schools to encourage greater participation in the programs;
- Young children are vulnerable consumers and are exposed to sophisticated advertising and marketing tactics by school banking program providers;
- School banking program providers fail to effectively disclose that a strategic objective of these programs is customer acquisition.

Financial literacy is embedded in the curriculum K-10. It is part of a continuum of learning in the work and enterprise learning across the curriculum content area from K-12. In Mathematics K-10, students develop knowledge, understanding and skills specifically related to financial literacy, such as money, financial transactions, pay rates, taxable income, rebates and levies. In Stages 4 and 5 many students elect to study commerce. A key objective of the Years 7–10 commerce syllabus is for students to develop skills in decision-making and problem-solving in relation to consumer and financial issues they may encounter now and in the future. Opportunities also exist for the inclusion of financial literacy in the mandatory Life Ready course in Stage 6. More information on the NSW Curriculum is available.

To further support our students with financial literacy education, the Department launched the Treasurer's Financial Literacy Challenge in collaboration with ASIC. The challenge is currently in pilot intended for students in Years 5 to 8 but open to all. The challenge aims to engage students in practical activities focused on making informed financial choices, setting goals and managing money.

If you have further questions, please feel free to contact the school on 65451049.

PARENT SURVEY - PARTNERS IN LEARNING

Every year our school conducts student, staff and parent surveys through the Learning Bar's Tell Them From Me (TTFM) platform. Our Parent surveys are used to guide decision making for school planning. It is important every family responds to the survey so we can gather a more in depth understanding on where we are, where we need to be and how we will get there. This year's questions include aspects of learning from home, and how our school has managed this process.

We would very much appreciate if parents could access the following link and complete the survey. http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/qf5px

ORGANISATION FOR PRESENTATION DAY 2021

The structure of Presentation Day for 2021 has been altered to keep in line with guidelines the Department of Education has set around COVID.

We are still able to go ahead with a Presentation Day, this will be on Friday 3 December. Special guests or parents and community members **are unable to attend** our Presentation Day celebrations for 2021.

Students will come to the hall in stage groups, Kindergarten, Years 1 & 2, Years 3 & 4 and Years 5 & 6. As in previous years, all students will receive a success certificate during this part of the ceremony. A Library Award and an Academic Persistence Award for students in K-2 will also be given for each class as well as an Academic Achievement Award for each class in 3-6.

Each ceremony will be recorded and a link uploaded to Facebook for parents to view.

Our Special Academic Awards and the announcement of our 2022 School Leaders will also take place. Parents of successful School Leaders for 2022 and Special Award winners will be invited to connect via Zoom to see this section of our Presentation Day. Parents will receive a letter in the mail with instructions if your child falls into one of these categories.

It is important that we continue to celebrate the success of all our students in 2021 and we see this is the best way we can facilitate this within the guidelines that have been put into place.

Thank you for your understanding.

Liz Osmond Presentation Day Co-ordinator

Congratulations to The AR Champs for Week 7 of Term 4.

Well done to everyone who are trying very hard with the AR reading program and a special ***CHEER*** for the students who achieved 100% for the first time this year.

Week 8 will be the last time for borrowing for 2021!!!

Library Lesson Timetable

Monday: KH, KL, KO, KW

Tuesday: 3M, 3T, 4B, 5K, 5M, 5S

Wednesday: 1/2W, 2P, 2S, 3/4HB, 6A, 6D

Thursday: K6C, 1B, 1C

LIBRARY NEWS





Due to the lack of interest, the subscription for Scone Public School Digital Library has not been renewed.

Book Club

Scholastic Book Club Rewards was created as a form of currency as a way to give back to schools for participating in Book Club throughout the year. Every time an SPS family purchases a book, the school is rewarded with points. The school then redeems the rewards by adding more quality books and learning material to our library.

The final issue for the year, Issue 8, of Book Club 2021 has been sent home with students this week. SPS is working towards 100% online book club orders. We are encouraging parents to place their <u>orders online</u> at <u>scholastic.com.au/loop</u> or by using the LOOP app, which can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play.

Alternatively, you can send the order form along with the correct money to your classroom teacher on the due date.

Orders are due by THURSDAY 2 December 2021 before 10:00am.

If you have any questions regarding this or require help to place an order, please speak to Mrs Cheshire.

COMMUNITY NEWS



