

SCONE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 2 Week 2

Monday 2 May 2022

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We held a very poignant ANZAC school service on Friday last week. I commend all students for the way with which they conducted themselves throughout the assembly. Our leaders did a fantastic job at leading this assembly, with many stepping in to replace students who were absent.

This week, our Year 4 students are attending the Great Aussie Bush Camp excursion. We will be posting photos each day on our Facebook page to share the wonderful activities that our students are participating in. A big thank you to the participating teachers who are foregoing any strike action on Wednesday to ensure this excursion can continue for our students.

Our school will be non-operational on Wednesday 4 May due to the planned 24-hour strike action. Notes have gone out via the Sentral parent portal and included in this newsletter outlining this action. Parents will need to make alternate arrangements for their children on this day as no supervision will be available. The Year 5 Mine Tour planned for Wednesday will be rescheduled to another date later in the year.

I look forward to seeing students dressed up in their costumes for the Horse Parade on Sunday. The Horse Festival is a great community event and I encourage those that are able to join us for the parade.

Just a reminder that Friday 13 May is the gazetted half-day holiday for Scone Cup. The school will be closed from 12pm. Parents should have received notes about this. Please ensure you have returned the note to your child's teacher to assist with planning for this day.

Deborah Fisher
Principal



Education

28 April 2022

The NSW Teachers Federation has directed its membership to take industrial action in the form of a 24-hour strike on Wednesday 4 May 2022. As a result of the strike, we will not be operating on that day meaning parents and carers will need to make alternative arrangements for care of student/s that day.

The department has been negotiating with the NSW Teachers Federation since October last year to reach an agreement on the new Teachers Award.

The department is seeking a resolution for a new 3-year Teachers Award through arbitration in the Industrial Relations Commission in early May. The department is committed to securing the maximum remuneration increase that it can give to teachers. This includes a 2.5% increase in remuneration for all teachers and related employees which was implemented in January this year.

Thank you for your support and understanding during this short period of disruption.

Our Scone Public School
P&C Association will meet
this week Tuesday 3 May at 6pm
in the school library.
All are welcome to attend.

DATES FOR THE CALENDER

May 2 – 4: Year 4 Great Aussie
Bush Camp Excursion

May 3: P&C Meeting 6pm

May 4: Teachers 24-hour strike
School non-operational

May 5: Mother's Day Stall

May 8: Horse Festival Parade

May 9 – 12: Year 6 Canberra
Excursion

May 9 – 20: NAPLAN

May 13: Scone Cup half day
holiday

May 24: School Photos

UHPSSA Dates

May 6: Hunter Rugby Union
Trials

May 17: Hunter Girls Soccer

UNIFORM SHOP
OPENING HOURS
Monday – Friday
8.30am – 11.30am

ENTER VIA THE FRONT GATE (LIVERPOOL ST).
PLEASE CONTACT JUDY ON 0423 694 075
WITH ANY ENQUIRIES.



CANTEEN ROSTER
TERM 2

Week 2

2 May Racheal J

3 May Racheal J

4 May Racheal J

5 May Racheal J

6 May Kara M

Makala B

Week 3

9 May Racheal J

10 May Racheal J

11 May Racheal J

12 May Racheal J


13 May Canteen Closed

Scone Public School
P&C Assoc

**MOTHER'S
DAY STALL
THURSDAY
5TH MAY
ALL GIFTS \$5**





**PBL: Week 2
Focus**



Being... **Responsible**
By... **Making safe choices**

Playground focus areas are... **The Front
Playground and The Back Playground**

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



ZONE CROSS COUNTRY



Congratulations to all our students who participated in the Cross Country Carnival last Friday. Well done to the following twelve students who will be heading away to Hunter for the next level – Immogen, Lachlan, Ellie, Millie, Thomas, Paddy, Ruby, Lily, Faith, Grace, Lewis and Harlem.

Horse Festival Parade Details

Sunday 8 May, 2022

Theme: "Back in the Saddle"

This is a wonderful community event, one our school enjoys being part of every year!

In keeping with the theme for this year, SPS will be taking part in the parade. We will be creating a 'Cowboys and Cowgirls' theme, as we parade and celebrate such a wonderful event.

Please come dressed as cowboys and cowgirls.



A note will be going home at a later date outlining the exact time we will be meeting at Scone Public School on Sunday, 8 May.

It is important to wear comfortable shoes as it is a long walk and we quite often are required to dodge the horse doings.

Looking forward to seeing some wonderful costumes!

Miss Catherine Clunies-Ross

Horse Festival Team

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos have been rescheduled to Tuesday 24 May. Students are requested to wear the **winter school uniform** for this. If you require assistance with any item of the school's uniform our Uniform Shop is now open Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 11.30am. You can also contact the school office for assistance.

POETRY GRAND FINAL

What a wonderful celebration of poetry it was on Thursday 7 April. Our annual Poetry Competition culminated in a full day of performances, making our Grand Final a sensational success! Many thanks to our adjudicators Mr Rowney and Mrs Cook, who kept us on the tight schedule we had to comply with, so we were able to successfully finish on time. Our morning session of recitations certainly was 'poetry in motion' as seventy-two performances were thoroughly enjoyed by all present, before lunch! Our chairpersons Grace, Emmett, Lily, Cooper, Amaya and Faith conducted the competition with aplomb!

Every student present on the day recited a poem in our Grand Final. They may have done so with their class, with friends and / or individually. This competition allows the opportunity for all our students to shine and appreciate the beauty of poetry.

The results of our Grand Final are as follows:

Kindergarten

First Sophie, second Ava, third Siella. Highly commended was awarded to Colton, Matilda, Zia and Taneisha.

Kindergarten whole class choral verse speaking performance section was won by KL, KH came second and KW third.

Year 1 Individual free choice section:

First Anna, second Breannah, third Emaleigh. Highly commended to Mackenzie, Emma and Marniee.

Year 2 Individual free choice section:

First Charlotte, second Alicia, equal third Edward and Amanda. Highly commended was awarded to Hanna, Sophia, Austin and Indigo.

Stage One whole class choral verse speaking performance section was won by 2M, second was 2S, third 1O and highly commended went to 1G and 1 / 2 W.

Year 3 Individual free choice section:

First Stella, second Marley, third Penny and Ava was awarded highly commended.

Year 3 Individual Australian section:

First Harper, second Will and third Indigo.

Year 3 Small group free choice section:

First Ava, Harper, Addison, Indigo and Stella, second Sophie and Quinn, third Grace Co and Grace Cr.

Year 3 Small group Australian section:

Shelby and Marley placed first.

Year 4 Individual free choice section:

Lucy placed first, Christopher second, Nathaniel third and highly commended went to Lila.

Year 4 Individual Australian section:

First place went to Immogen, second to Sophia and highly commended to Bailen.

Year 4 Small group free choice section:

First Lucy, Lila and Immogen, second Immogen and Olivia, third Hartley, Penny and Azizah. Highly commended was awarded to Nathaniel, Aston, Erik, and Jack, Christopher and Hayden, Lara, Hartley and Rubi, Emily and Amelia, Piper, Penny and Sophia.

Year 4 Small group Australian section:

Jack and Aston first, Jacob and Jensen second.

Year 5 Individual free choice section:

First place was awarded to Emily, second Harmony, third Evie and highly commended Millie.

Year 5 Individual Australian section:

First Izak and second Shelby.

Year 5 Small group free choice section:

Oscar and Izak first, Emily and Harmony second, third Toby, Lochlan, Paddy and Archie. Highly commended Emily and Evie, Izzy and Layla, Isobel and Chloe.

Year 5 Small group Australian section:

First place Teagan, Emily, Ellie and Millie.

Year 6 Individual free choice section:

First place Amaya, second Faith, third Eilish and highly commended Cooper.

Year 6 Individual Australian section:

First place Ryan, second Lily and equal third Ruby and Bailey.

Year 6 Small group Australian section:

First Riley and Alexa, second Bridget and Kate.

Year 6 Small group free choice section:

Faith and Amaya first, second Ruby and Shaelee and highly commended Hannah and Scarlet.

Primary whole class choral verse speaking performance section was won by 4B, second 3 / 4 HB, third 6D and highly commended 5K.

What a joy it was to welcome back visitors into our school. Rest assured; you made each child thrilled that you could attend! This magnificent day of 'poetry on parade' certainly couldn't have been possible without the support of parents, the enthusiasm from all our students, who were so eager to participate, and the teachers who guided and trained their classes and students in this form of public performance. Many thanks to all involved.

Nicole Borg

MUSWELLBROOK AND UPPER HUNTER EISTEDDFOD CANCELLED FOR 2022

It is with much sadness that I must inform our school community of the cancellation of the 2022 Muswellbrook and Upper Hunter Eisteddfod. Scone Public School has a rich tradition and history of supporting this wonderful district event. I know that many students will be very disappointed that they won't be progressing from our Poetry Grand Final and Public Speaking competition to this wider stage. The opportunity to compete against other schools and children is always exciting and rewarding, no matter the result. It is hoped that the Eisteddfod can return in 2023. The committee is desperate for volunteers. If you know of anyone who would like to be involved, in any capacity, please ask them to contact me at the school.

Nicole Borg

LIBRARY NEWS

Congratulations to the 3 students who got the chance to achieve 100% in a busy first week of school.

**Library Lesson Timetable**

Monday: KH, KL, KW

Tuesday: 6S, 6P, 6D, 3T, 3C

Wednesday: 1G, 1/2W, 1O, 3/4HB, 4R, 4B

Thursday: 2S, 2M, 5M, 5K

Library Bags

To protect the precious resources of our Library it is required that **ALL** students have a library bag. It should be large enough to fit two junior fiction books in or in the case of primary students the 2-6 books that they may be borrowing each week. The P&C have some great waterproof bags with the school crest for sale at the Uniform Shop.

SCONE CUP HALF-DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY- FRIDAY 13 MAY 2022

The Upper Hunter Shire Council has applied for, and successfully been granted that Friday 13 May be gazetted as a half day local public holiday from 12.00pm.

After consultation with the Department of Education Industrial Relations Department and the Director of Public Schools – Upper Hunter Cluster, schools in the area below will be adhering to this ruling.

Friday 13 May 2022 Half-day from 12 midday	Towns of Aberdeen, Blandford, Bunnan, Ellerston, Gundy, Moonan Brook, Moonan Flat, Murrurundi, Parkville, Scone, Rouchel, Timor and Wingen within the Upper Hunter Shire Council area
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These are the designated areas included in this declared public holiday. Please refer to this site for more information, if needed:

<https://www.industrialrelations.nsw.gov.au/node/1026>


I have communicated this to all of the bus companies who service this school, and they have advised me that they will be completing their normal schedules for this day i.e. picking up at school as normal at 3.15pm. There will be no teachers at school at this time to supervise the buses. The buses will not be picking up at 12pm. Please contact your individual bus company if you have any further questions regarding bus pick-up times. Howards 6546 6178 and Osborns 6543 1271.

This school will operate as usual from 8.45am until 12.00pm. At this time, all staff will complete their duties and commence the local public holiday. From this time onwards, the school will be closed. Lunch begins at 11.15am and students can be picked up and signed out from this time onwards.

A letter will be sent to families. Please complete the attachment and return it to your child's class teacher by Thursday 5 May so that we can ensure this information has been received and that the school is aware of individual arrangements for your child.

Please contact the school to discuss any issues relating to this notice.

COMMUNITY NEWS


Good for kids
good for life 

Active travel to and from school

Active travel involves walking, bike riding, scooting or catching public transport when travelling between home and school. It can be all or part of the way!

Tips:

- Plan your route ahead of time – what way is safest?
- Practice the journey as a family on the weekend
- Join up with other families in your neighbourhood
- Park your car further from school and walk the rest of the way
- Children under 10 should always hold an adults hand when crossing the road



If your child can't safely walk or ride to school incorporate physical activity into your day another way.

Source: Healthy Eating Active Living - Active travel to school (nsw.gov.au)

NSW Developed by Hunter New England LHD HEALHD-GoodforKids@health.nsw.gov.au
<http://www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au/>

THE ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND & MACH ENERGY MOUNT PLEASANT OPERATION PRESENTS

CULTURAL SPECTACULAR

NEW DATE ANNOUNCED

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2022 1PM TO 9PM
SINGLETON SHOWGROUND



HEADLINE ACT
MITCH TAMBO

SUPPORTED BY MIESHA AND SEAN CHOOLBURRA

A FREE FAMILY FRIENDLY
CELEBRATION OF ABORIGINAL CULTURE

MUSIC • FOOD • FIREWORKS • KIDS ACTIVITIES
MARKET STALLS • PERFORMANCES • CULTURAL ART & CRAFTS

Strictly a NO Drugs, NO Alcohol and NO Smoking event

ALL WELCOME

Registration for this event is required for entry.
Please visit our website or scan QR code to register.

WWW.CULTURALSPECTACULAR.COM.AU






Outside of School Hours Care starting soon!

A BIG HELLO!

We are your new Outside of School Hours Care provider!

We are currently working hard setting up your service so we can be ready to start up the fun!

We will be in contact soon with information on how to enrol, service hours and pricing... until then sit tight!

We thank you for your patience and cannot wait to meet you all real soon!



COMING SOON...





