SCONE HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 1 24TH MARCH 2022

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I would like to start by thanking every member of our school community for bearing with us throughout the past 2 years and into the future, as we continue to work our way through the many and varied requirements being put in place to keep us as safe as possible for as long as possible.

All the students have been exceptional throughout this period and are enjoying being with their friends and continuing their learning in a school that cares.

Attendance is always an area of discussion and, while our general attendances are down in 2022 due to illness, we need to continually work towards the highest attendances possible. We have set a goal of having students attending school at least 95% of the time. This means that in any year, a student should aim to have a maximum of 10 days absent.

We all need to remember that whenever a student is absent, the learning continues, and their relationships continue to develop. Both changes can create gaps in learning and distance between people, that are very difficult to recover. Please try to organise appointments outside of school hours, where possible, and always let us know what is happening, as there are many options available to us to support your child to ensure the least impact on their learning.

<u>The Actwell</u> - An ex-student, Minas Theodore Coroneo AO, who was a student at Scone High School in the 1960s, has sent me a copy of the original school magazine, "The Actwell" from 1922. At the original time of printing, her father was in Year 4.

There is some very interesting reading, both in the style of the language and the many family links. Have fun reading. <u>https://scone-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/news/2022/3/100-years-since-the-first-edition-of--the-actwell-.html</u>

Vaping Toolkit for parents

While vaping is not an issue for everyone, it pays for us all to be kept up to date with the latest trends with teenagers in Australia. Vaping is treated at school in just the same manner as any inappropriate substance that is brought into school. Students and parents will be warned when there is a first instance, and then following consequences will be discussed.

Please follow this link to learn more about the dangers of vaping. <u>https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/vaping</u>

Brian Drewe Principal





EXCURSIONS & NEWS

INTRODUCING OUR NEW STAFF MEMEBRS



Maree Beer - Learning Support Teacher

How long have you been teaching? I have been teaching for 35 years. What was your favourite subject as a student? Music What are your top 5 character strengths? Kindness, Humour, Appreciation of Beauty and Excellence, Perseverance, Creativity Who is your favourite author? Colleen McCullough What is your favourite movie? Elf What is your favourite holiday destination? Mooloolaba

Ebony Anderson - Science Teacher



How long have you been teaching? I switched careers from Geology to Teaching during the pandemic. I was working in a remote mine site in WA. We moved back home to be closer to family. What was your favourite subject as a student? My favourite subjects at school were Science and History, which led into my love of Geology which combines the two. What are your top 5 character strengths? My top 5 character strengths are Honesty, Love, Love of Learning, Fairness and Perspective. Who is your favourite author? My favourite author is Terry Pratchett What is your favourite movie? The Lethal Weapon movies What is your favourite holiday destination? For holidays I love exploring new places with my family and friends.



Lisa Murphy - Student Administration

How long have you been working with the department? I have been with the department for the last 8 years previously working at Forster Public School.
What was your favourite subject as a student?
PE was my favourite subject at school as a student.
What are your top 5 character strengths?
My character strengths are that I am organised, trustworthy, kind, approachable and have a positive outlook.
Who is your favourite author?
My favourite author is P D James.
What is your favourite movie?
My favourite movie is Inception.
What is your favourite holiday destination?
My favourite holiday destination is New Zealand.

Gayelene Hillier - Head Teacher Learning & Engagement

How long have you been teaching?

I'm a new-comer to the NSW education department but I worked for the Tasmanian Dept of Education for over 20 years. I have also worked in the Northern Territory and most recently, I've spent 3 years in Bourke.

What was your favourite subject as a student? Hard question but I liked English, Art & PDHPE the best.

What are your top 5 character strengths?

Gratitude - I think it's important to remember and appreciate all the good things in your life.

Fairness - I have a well-developed sense of justice and like things to be fair and reasonable.

Love of Learning - I like to be able to learn about lots of things and often investigate things that interest me just because I can.

Honesty/Integrity - Character strengths to live by. These are traits I value in myself and others.

Kindness - If you have to be anything, I believe you should choose to be kind. It costs nothing and can make the world of difference to many.

Who is your favourite author?

Another hard one! Probably Minette Walters What is your favourite movie?

Fried Green Tomatoes

What is your favourite holiday destination? The Amalfi Coast, Italy - or anywhere with a beach really

Doreen Roots - Food Technology & Science Assistant



How long have you been working with the department? 12 years What was your favourite subject as a student? Language What are your top 5 character strengths? Honesty, Grateful, Perseverance, Flexible, Helpful. Who is your favourite author? John Heffernan What is your favourite movie? Pride and Prejudice What is your favourite holiday destination? Holland



EVERY MINUTE COUNTS....

When your child misses just	that equals	which is	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 1½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ a year of school
20 minutes a day	1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 2½ weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
½ hour a day	¹ / ₂ a day of learning a week	4 weeks a year	Nearly 1 ½ years of learning
1 hour each day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year.	Over 2 ½ years of learning

Your Child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day... Check the time your school starts. DON'T BE LATE!





INTRODUCING OUR 2022 STUDENT REPRESNTATIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS



Kirsten White Year 7



Year 7



Shyanne Reeves Year 7



Lacy-Emily Rumbel Year 7



Airlie Thompson Year 7



Deakin Soper Year 8



Dawson Mills Year 8



Daniel Lyne Year 8



Riley Perez Year 8



Carolyn Orlowsky Year 8



Chloe Smith Year 9



Eden Fergusen Year 9



Te Awhina Williams-Paul Year 10



Abbey Parkinson Year 11



Xena-Delta Whitby Year 10

Charlotte Bell

Year 11



Lily Adams Year 10



Kayleb Wyldman Year 11



Jackson Smith Year 10



Campbell Munn Year 10



PREMIER'S ANZAC MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Applications for the 2022 Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholarship are now open!

The scholarship gives NSW high school history students the opportunity to travel on a study tour to develop their knowledge and understanding of the history of Australians at war. Accompanied by a military historian, the tour includes visits to significant historical sites to learn about and commemorate the service of Australian men and women.

The tour supports the NSW curriculum and students who are studying Modern History will gain the most benefit from attending the tour.

If you're a Year 10 or Year 11 student studying history, this scholarship is a unique opportunity for hands-on learning of the history of Australians at war.

For further info and to apply, visit http://bit.ly/pams2022



PREMIER'S ANZAC MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

A unique two-week study tour to discover more about the history of Australians at war

APPLICATIONS OPEN Visit veterans.nsw.gov.au/pams



REGISTER YOUR CHILD'S POSITIVE RAPID ANTIGEN TEST

Make sure you register your child's positive rapid antigen test through Service NSW.

This helps us keep track of COVID-19 within schools and the community, as well as helping you access the right health advice.

Register your positive rapid antigen test result: <u>https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/.../register-positive</u>...

YEAR 7 BEST START

A great start for the 2022 Year 7 cohort at Scone High School!

Our new year 7 students have well and truly gotten off to a positive and productive start to their high school journeys. Transition into high school is always beset with challenges and hurdles to overcome, as students make the change to being the oldest pupils in a school to the youngest.

Instead of shying away from such a confronting transition, year 7 has well and truly accepted the challenge, displaying a growth mindset along the way.

I have received reports of, and also witnessed, a curiosity and a love of learning across the year 7 year group through classroom activities, sport and during break times. In addition, year 7 has displayed self-respect and represented the school well by proudly wearing the correct school uniform and have displayed helpfulness and respect towards school staff.

Let's continue to grow together year 7! And I cannot wait for the school camp at the end of term!

Written by Jeremy Ampt





LIBRARY LOVER'S DAY

Scone High School Library is celebrating Library Lover's Day. The students who borrow a book this week will receive a chocolate heart and go into the lucky draw to win a very cute and yummy prize.

Talia of year 9 is the very surprised and excited winner of the Library Lover's Day draw.

SHS library celebrates Library Lover's Day to promote and encourage reading as well as creating a welcoming and friendly environment. We had lots of borrowing during the week from all year groups.

Congratulations Talia.

Written by Juliane Frost

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UNIVERSITY SHOWCASE

We were fortunate to be able to host the University Showcase at Scone High School for all Year 12 students on Friday 25 February.

Four universities attended the modified format in which student ambassadors spoke of their experience at the universities of Newcastle, New England, Charles Sturt and Southern Cross.

Our students asked questions in the workshop on topics including admission, deferment, costs, living on campus, scholarships and regional entry programs.

Written by Tony Borg

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ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

On Thursday 24th February 2022, a team of 7 students from Scone High School competed at the Upper Hunter Zone Swimming Carnival in Merriwa. Although our team was small, all students who had the opportunity to compete gave their best effort, achieved some great personal results and were excellent school ambassadors. Though we are yet to receive confirmation of students who have qualified for the Regional Swimming Carnival, we are hopeful that some of our students will have the opportunity to represent the Upper Hunter Zone at this event.

A special mention must go to Will Hejduk for placing 1st in the 12-14yrs Boys 200m Individual Medley, with a time of 2:50.15. This effort set a new Upper Hunter Zone record in the event. Congratulations Will!

Written by Melanie Smith



UPDATE ON OUR DROP OFF ZONE

Our new drop off zone for the accessibility transports were finished last week.

We continue to create an open community resource for all.

There is much more in the pipeline.

Written by Brian Drewe



<u>SAIL B</u>

This month SAIL B have been working on life skills, some of us are extremely grateful ... Yum Yum 😳

Written by Brian Drewe

THE MARCH CHARGE

Sail W will be participating in 'The March Charge' throughout march and have set themselves a target of walking 50km to raise awareness for those suffering with Cancer.

Each Monday we will be attending the community walk at the Bill Rose Sports Complex with the Heart Foundation walking group to help us achieve this goal.

If anyone would like to support the Sail W students, please donate (to the link below) by https://www.themarchcharge.com.au/fundraisers/sconehighschoolsail

Sail W students and staff thank you in advance for any support you can offer the students.

Written by Suzan Wilson

Cancer Council The March Charge

WORLDS GREATEST SHAVE

The students of Year 12 at Scone High School are raising money for the Worlds Greatest Shave fundraiser. Year 12 students will be cutting, colouring or shaving their hair on the 5th of April 2022 to support this cause.

Any donation would be greatly appreciated to help us reach our goal of \$3000 which will go towards supporting Australian Families battling Blood Cancer. Scone High Students will participate in a crazy hair day + out of uniform day on Tuesday April 5th, bringing a gold coin donation to support this cause.

Follow the link below to donate: <u>http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/sconehighschoolyear122022</u>

Written by Indi Welsh (Year 12)



NATIONAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Year 11 students Isaac Masierowski, Ziggy Minter, Marshall Hutchison, Abbey Parkinson and Caitlin Coady attending the National Student Leadership Summit at St Peter's College in Adelaide to develop their strengths of bravery, leadership and kindness thanks to Where There's A Will.

The are joined by students from the Upper Hunter as they embark on this wonderful opportunity.

Written by Samantha Smart

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HUNTER SSSA SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Eloise, Will and Zoe represented Scone High School at the Hunter SSSA Swimming Carnival on Tuesday 15th March.

All gave it their best on the day.

Special mention goes to Will, who is off to the NSW CHS Swimming Carnival in Sydney later this term for multiple events.

We wish him all the best.

Written by Melanie Smith



FREDDO ROLL CALL WINNERS

	Highest Percentage	Highest Weekly Growth
Week 2	9A – 93.64%	
Week 3	7A – 92.22%	12A – 5.56%
Week 4	12A – 89.33%	9A – 4.55%
Week 5	12A – 88.57%	10C – 19.05%
Week 6	12A – 88.57%	8A – 12.50%
Week 7	12A – 91.43%	11B – 4.89%



ASSEMBLY AWARDS

<u>YEAR 7</u>

Tyson Apps, Braydon Bridge, Isabell Brookes, Reuben Brooks, Ely Crisp, Chad Darnell-Oldham, Felicity Davidson, Xavier Day, Aletta Downton, Edwyn Elliott, Tia Fairbrother, Tyson Gillis, Allani Hardes, Kobi Harrington, Ethan Hines, Scarlet Hjorring, Lilly Kerry, Kloee McFadyen, Mikayla Morse, Shyanne Reeves, Justice Richards, Mason Rigby, Jorja Roser, Lacy-Emily Rumbel, Mikayla Ryan, Kyle Saunders, Zara Shahid, Zara Stein, Airlie Thompson, Jayden van Helden, Rozenna Welsh, Lynx-David Whitby, Kirsten White, Lorelai White.

<u>YEAR 8</u>

Matthew Bates, Breanna Bowden, Waylon Britt, Ayden Clark, Kalista Cone, Tyson Connolly, Will Foley, Bronte Fraser, Sam Grady, Will Hejduk, Chantelle Holmes, Levi King, Benji Linton, Daniel Lyne, Arna Morris, Carolyn Orlowsky, Cohen Palmer, Nate Parkinson, Riley Perez, Bayley Ralston, Tamika Roberts, Ava Roughan, Cameron Ryan, Zara Sampson, Amina Shahid, Raya Talty, Emily Taylor-Hall, Bohen Ward, Douglas Williams, Oliver Yabsley.

YEAR 9

Steven Ashford, Felicity Azarcon, Eva Baker, Harrison Baxter, Abbey Bell, Talia Brabant, Jessie Bridge, Kurtis Bridge, Charlotte Brown, Billy Chamberlain, Taihla Clarke, Cooper Cloake, Ellie-Kaye Cope, Ta'Kaya Coward-Hillard, Chloe Cox, Ryan Davidson, Amber Davis, Sophie Edmonds, Saxon Englebrecht, Eden Ferguson, Eloise Fisher, Korbz Fitzgerald, Hannah Gillett, Cash Hill, Nickolas Lima Melo, Jessica Luscombe, Annabelle Midgley, Jaira Vinz Montejo, Caitlyn Moran, Brock Morris, Holly Nester, Ada Ollerton, Hass Porter, Koia Rata-Waipouri, Danny Risby, Jack Roser, Jaxon Rowland, Jayden Rowland, Brooke Sampson, Jayden Seckold, Triston Skinner, Chloe Smith, Hayley Smith, Meckenzie-Lee Soper, Logan Stewart, Chase Swansborough, Caitlyn Taylor, Isabella Taylor, Isabella Teague, Brodey Waugh, Leeton Whitla, Leelan Wyldman, Isabella Zizza.

<u>YEAR 10</u>

Isabelle Bogaard, Chace Bridge, Matthew Byrne, Brock Curry, Bella-Rose Davis, Jack Foley, Jordyn Fuller, Taylor Gibson, Franco Legg, Hunter McLoughlin, Charlie Milton, Hayley Mohr, Charlotte Panui, Lincon Preston, Feezan Shahid, Riley Thomas, Bridgette Thompson, Natasha Vickers, Xena-Delta Whitby, Finley Whitla, Te Awhina Williams-Paul, Hayden Young.

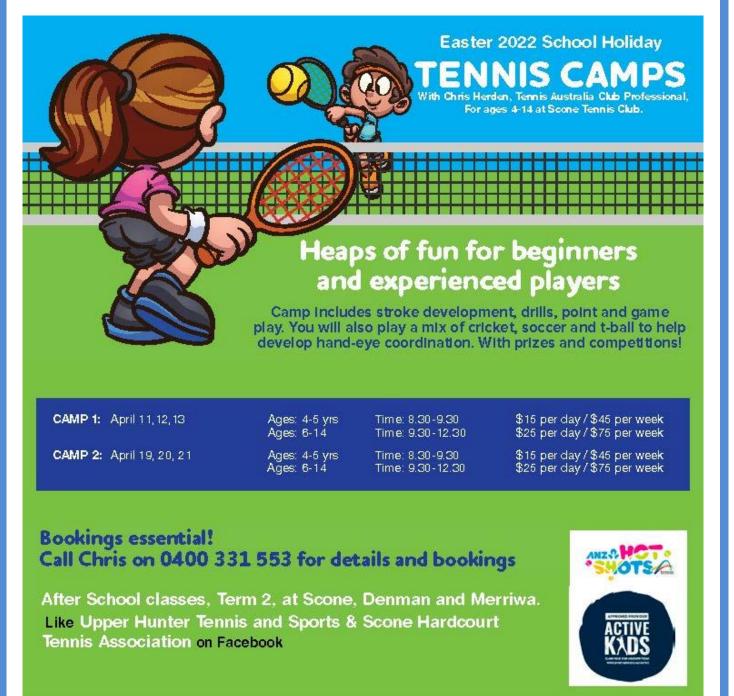
<u>YEAR 11</u>

Samuel Adams, Charlotte Bell, Gabrielle Curry, Mitchell Downton, Kayla Holt, Thomas Hughes, Jonny Honeyman, Marshall Hutchison, Tyler Jordan, Matthew Lackenby, Legacy Lewis, Isaac Masierowski, Lexie Meier, Ziggy Minter, Shaylee Mitchell, Bree Nugent, Molly Ollerton, Abbey Parkinson, Thomas Rose, Gabriel Sharp, Angus Speck, Maxwell Tucker-Kelman, Kayleb Wyldman.

<u>YEAR 12</u>

Riley Brooks, John Butt, Maisie Carpenter-Kludas, Kynan Elliott, Cynthia Gibbs, Liam Kennedy, Joshua Mostert, Tahlee Stein, Danielle Surawski, Indianna Welsh, Kaitlyn Woodward.

COMMUNITY NEWS





1st **Scone Scouts** Contact:- Greg Morris greg.morris@nsw.scouts.com.au

Joey Scouts (6 & 7 year olds) and Cub Scouts (8-10 year olds) ~ Mondays 6:30 - 7:30pm

Scouts (11-14 year olds) and Venturer Scouts (15 – 17 year olds) ~ Thursdays 6:45 – 8:30pm Scone Girl Guides Contact: Christina Darlington sconeDM@girlguidesnswactnt.org.au

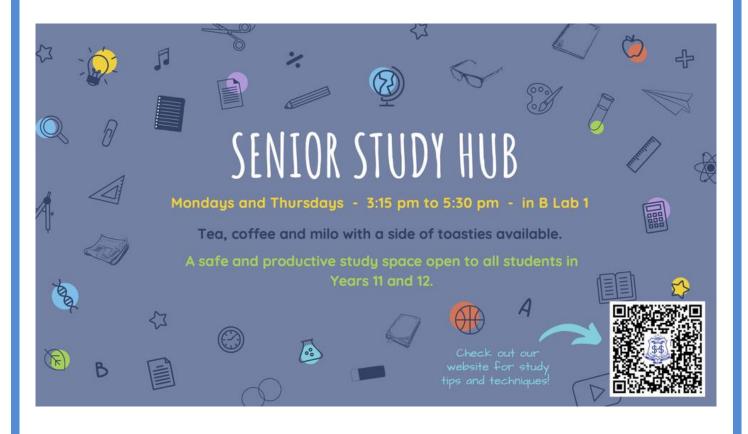
Jnr Guides $(5 - 10^+ \text{ year olds}) \sim$ Mondays 5:30 - 7pm



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13YARN is the first national service of its kind for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people in crisis. 13YARN offers a confidential one-on-one over the phone yarning opportunity and support with a trained Lifeline Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Crisis Supporter for mob who are feeling overwhelmed or having difficulty coping. 13YARN is funded by the Australian Government with the support of Lifeline and was developed in collaboration with Gayaa Dhuwi (Proud Spirit) Australia. The line has been co-designed using Lifeline expertise with several Aboriginal mental health professionals including NACCHO, Black Dog Institute Aboriginal Lived Experience team and the Centre for Excellence in Suicide Prevention along with input from Torres Strait Islander, remote, regional, and urban peoples with lived experience.





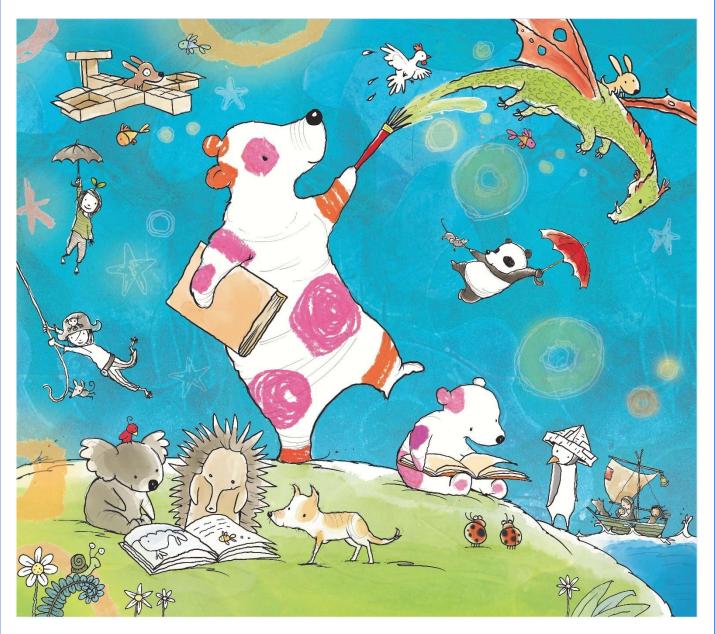
You must wear a face mask on public transport at all times











NSW Department of Education

2022 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

Start reading now!

Artwork by Stephen Michael King

www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au

Key dates for students in K-10:

Challenge opens Monday 28 February

Challenge closes for student entries Friday 19 August



School Student Travel Term 1 2022



School student travel information for parents and students

School Travel Passes

Students who need a School Opal card or travel pass but have not yet applied need to <u>apply</u> or <u>update</u> their details as soon as possible.

In the Opal network, students should travel with a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their <u>local</u> <u>bus operator</u> to discuss their travel needs.

New Student Opal cards (including new Term Bus Passes) will be sent to the student's nominated postal address within two weeks of their application being approved.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas will receive their travel pass from their nominated transport operator. It may be issued via their school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note**: some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

Terms of Use

Students using Opal cards must tap on and tap off in line with the Opal terms of use.

All students are required to comply with the <u>Student code of conduct</u>. The code of conduct aims to ensure the safety and well-being of school children and other passengers. It is important that parents ensure their child is aware of this, as failure to comply with the code of conduct can result in a suspension from travel.



Further information can be found at <u>transportnsw.info/school-travel</u> Enquiries can be submitted at <u>transportnsw.info/passes-concessions-feedback</u>

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<u>COURSES</u> AVAILABLE NOW!

SCAN THE QR AND TYPE <u>"GROUP 21 RA"</u>

CONTACT YOUR LOCAL REFEREE ASSOCIATION TO FIND OUT HOW YOU CAN BECOME ACCREDITED TO REFEREE.



BE A REF

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR CONTACT DETAILS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Principal:	Mr Brian Drewe
Deputy Principal:	Mr Adam Johnston

Street Address:	9 Gundy Road, Scone NSW 2337
Postal Address:	PO Box 285, Scone NSW 2337
School Email:	scone-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Webpage:	www.scone-h.schools.nsw.edu.au
Phone:	02 6545 1455
Fax:	02 6545 3269
SMS:	0427 016 460

P & C Association

Meets 7.00pm in the School Library, fourth Tuesday in the month. For further P & C information contact the President – Cheryl Pringle on 0412 998 774.

Canteen Supervisor – Mrs Belinda Field

Please call the front office on 6545 1455 if you need to contact the canteen.

SMS Text Messaging

Daily attendance of your child is sent to your family mobile number. This can also be used for important information regarding parent teacher meetings, issue of reports etc. The school SMS number is: **0427 016 460**. Please add this as a contact in your mobile phone. You CANNOT phone this number, please phone using 02 6545 1455. You may send a text message at any time to this number to explain your child's absences. Please let us know if you have any problems with this texting service.

<u>Millennium</u>

https://millenniumschools.net.au

The Millennium website contains all your child's school information. This includes attendance, school reports, assessment tasks, timetables and behaviour information.

Families can see the whole family at a glance with your private login. This will be sent to you via an email if you have one listed with us. If not, please phone the office with a current email address. Students can also access this site through a separate login.



The school website holds a great deal of information, and is a useful place for you to find out what is happening at school.



facebook.com/SconeHighSchool

SCHOOL CALENDAR

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	28 MAR 2022	29 MAR 2022	30 MAR 2022	31 MAR 2022	1 APR 2022
		Love Bites Yr 9	Love Bites Yr 9	Year 7 Camp	Year 7 Camp
VK 9			Year 7 Camp		
	4 APR 2022	5 APR 2022	6 APR 2022	7 APR 2022 Sydney Show	8 APR 2022
		Sydney Show	Sydney Show	Sydney Snow Upper Hunter Zone Cross	ANZAC Assembly Sydney Show
VK 10				Country Year 12 Reports Issued	
	11 400 2022	12 400 2022	12 400 2022	14 400 2022	15 400 2022
	11 APR 2022 School Holidays	12 APR 2022 School Holidays	13 APR 2022 School Holidays	14 APR 2022 School Holidays	15 APR 2022 School Holidays
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	18 APR 2022	19 APR 2022	20 APR 2022	21 APR 2022	22 APR 2022
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	25 APR 2022	26 APR 2022	27 APR 2022	28 APR 2022	29 APR 2022
	Anzac Day	School Development Day	Students Return to School	Year 11 Camp	Year 11 Camp
NK 1		P & C Meeting	Year 11 Camp		
	2 MAY 2022	3 MAY 2022	4 MAY 2022	5 MAY 2022	6 MAY 2022
					School Athletics Carnival
NK 2					UNE School Open Day
	9 MAY 2022	10 MAY 2022	11 MAY 2022	12 MAY 2022	13 MAY 2022
	5	NAPLAN	NAPLAN	NAPLAN	NAPLAN
VK 3		UNI Roadshow			
	16 MAY 2022	17 MAY 2022	18 MAY 2022	19 MAY 2022	20 MAY 2022
	NAPLAN	NAPLAN	NAPLAN	NAPLAN	NAPLAN
NK 4					Whitecard WHS Course Yea 10
	23 MAY 2022	24 MAY 2022	25 MAY 2022	26 MAY 2022	27 MAY 2022
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NK 5		P & C Meeting	Evacuation Drill		
	30 MAY 2022	31 MAY 2022	1 JUN 2022	2 JUN 2022	3 JUN 2022
	Wellbeing Week	Wellbeing Week	Wellbeing Week	Wellbeing Week	Wellbeing Week
NK 6					