

SCONE HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 2

8TH APRIL 2022

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

2022, Term One is over in the blink of an eye.

We have managed to ride a serious wave of COVID infection across our community in both students, families and staff. This has, in fact, had very little impact on the operation of our school until week 10. This week we have needed to be creative with our classes to ensure the best learning opportunities are available to as many students as possible.

We really do appreciate the positive interactions with our families this term. You have worked with us as the major supplier of RAT tests. You have encouraged your children to be at school and to be aware of their health. You have encouraged their empathy and care for others by supporting them at home as needed.

Your children are tired.

Your teachers are ready for a well earned rest.

You are ready to take some pressure off the daily school grind.

Students have also celebrated ANZAC day a little differently this year, students have marked this occasion during year group assemblies to acknowledge and understand the sacrifices made during the war. We welcome our students to join us in one of the local services on Monday 25 April.

This newsletter has many small stories of our experiences recently. Please enjoy and join us in celebrating the fantastic kids in our school.

Brian Drewe
Principal



"Helping young people create their futures"



DEPUTY PRINCIPALS REPORT

Happy End of Term

Term 1 has been a challenging one amongst global uncertainty and rolling illness. Despite this our staff and students have continued to employ a growth mindset by seeking ongoing personal improvement. We hope that next term will be more settled so that we have ongoing consistency of learning for everyone.

I wish everyone a safe and restful school holidays, a bountiful Easter and I may see some of you at ANZAC Day services.

Adam Johnston
Deputy Principal

YEAR 6 ORIENTATION DAY TERM 1

There were many nervous smiles and unsure steps as our newest group of Year 6 students arrived for the first Orientation Day for 2022 but it didn't take long for the fabulous Year 10 students to break the ice and make our new recruits feel at home.

Mr Drewe welcomed the close to 100 students with his thumbs up, thumbs down barometer and we had a lot choosing middle ground at 9.30. However, the shift was clear when he tested the groups response at the end of the day with a resounding thumbs up across the board.

Year 6 said it best and I quote:

- My favourite thing was cooking - it was fun!
- The food and the service in the canteen was awesome!
- Who knew separating a mixture was called chromatography? Science was really fun!
- My favourite was drama!
- We were nervous to catch the bus and come to high school but we're not anymore - it was a good day!
- And finally, my favourite: This has been the best day of my life ever!



With chocolate chip cookie fossil digs, apple pastries, maths brain teasers, science practicals and a chance to show their dramatic side, how could they not have had a marvelous day?

Thank you, Year 6, for your participation, manners and enthusiasm.

We look forward to our next Orientation Day in Week 8 Term 2.

Written by Marianne Young

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LISMORE FLOOD APPEAL THANKYOU

A big thank you to all the kind families that have donated items towards the Lismore Flood Appeal. The Rotary Club has collected these wonderful items and are on their way to deliver these to schools in Lismore.

Written by Indi Welsh (Year 12)



P&C NEWS

Over term 1 students have tried and enjoyed a diverse range of foods from our 'Eats on Gundy' canteen. Our canteen is managed by Belinda Field and operates 5 days a week. The P&C support the employment of Belinda full time and Amanda part time. Several people donate their time to volunteer in our canteen and we are very grateful for their support.

We are greatly in need of more volunteers, particularly on Tuesday or Thursday. If you can spare an hour or two we would be very grateful. We are also in need of people who would like to join our Parents and Citizens Leadership Team. Currently we require a President and a Secretary. Please be in touch to discuss.

Our P&C meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month in the school's library at 7pm – we welcome your attendance.

We continue to fundraise supporting our Scone High School Enriched Outdoor Learning Area's project. We look forward to Horse Week activities, our P&C will set up our BBQ outside the Post Office on parade day. We are also coordinating the Sports Trivia Night. Great activities for a great community.

Enjoy your school holidays and thank you for your support.

Written by Cheryl Pringle

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% |
| Week 8 | 7A – 91.11% | 7B – 20.26% |
| Week 9 | 7B – 91.76% | 7B – 7.06% |
| Week 10 | 7A – 91.11% | 10A – 16.36% |



BURN BRIGHT

On Friday 1st April, students from Scone High School joined students from St Josephs and Scone Grammar in the annual Burn Bright student leadership day at St Luke's in Scone sponsored by Where There's A Will.

Burn Bright are a leading provider of experiential programs proven to increase student leadership and wellbeing. Through group activities, our students learned about flourishing and how they can make a difference in the world.

Burn Bright aims to equip students with the ability to support their wellbeing and build positive relationships resulting in creating positive impact on the world and those around them.

Research shows that when young people feel connected to their peers, families, and communities, generate regular positive emotion, have meaningful goals to work towards and can see they are making progress towards those goals they are more likely to have more vitality, a higher self-efficacy, greater wellbeing, and reduced instances of mental ill health.

Thank you Where There's A Will for your continued support of Scone High School students.

Written by Samantha Cockerill

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YEAR 7 CAMP

From Wednesday the 30th of March to Friday the 1st of April, a large number of year 7 Scone High School students had the privilege of taking part in a 3 day camp at Point Wolstoncroft Sport and Recreation Centre.

Despite the miserable weather, year 7 had a great time taking part in a number of activities such as kayaking, orienteering, bike riding, swimming, team challenges, making damper on the BBQ and fishing.

The main objective of the camp was for students to form closer social relationships amongst each other and hopefully make some new friends. On this measure, the camp was an overwhelming success, with students getting on extremely well and treating Scone High School and Point Wolstoncroft staff with utmost respect.



Written by Jeremy Ampt

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SAIL NEWS

In SAIL this term students have been engaging in lots of different activities. We have been making the most of the opportunity to get out and about, with SAIL W getting down to the Bill Rose Complex twice a week for their community access and SAIL B getting out and about to complete the shopping for their fortnightly cooking lessons. This allows students to take their learning outside the classroom and engage in different aspects of our community. Students and staff have had a wonderful time and this culminated in crazy shakes excursions to Asser House this week. Well done to staff and students for a successful term of community access!

Speaking of SAIL B and their cooking lessons, wow have they spoilt us this term. Milkshakes, burgers, pizzas... and even a gorgeous morning tea of scones and tea. Many thanks to all involved, the students are developing fabulous kitchen and food handling skills, as well as social skills, through these experiences. It is wonderful to be able to share this with them.

This term also saw us be able to sink our teeth into some gardening. With the opening of the new carpark and accessible drop off point came the opportunity for some landscaping. SAIL W have been busy designing, planting and maintaining one of the garden spaces. Good job team! SAIL B have also set their sights on beautifying one of the unused garden beds in the playground - watch this space for updates.

The tricksters were out last week for April Fools - Mrs Beer & Mrs Stark had some fun with the students (while teaching and learning about empathy along the way of course!)

Lastly, I need to say a huge thank you to our team who coordinated attendance of the Year 7 camp. Many thanks to Mrs Wright for attending on behalf of SAIL. If anyone has a couple of spare hours, I'm sure she'd happily share a story or two.

Written by Amanda Johnston

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AGRICULTURE NEWS

The Agriculture farm has been buzzing with activities and projects this term. Students engaged in a range of hands-on experiences from growing produce for display in the Woolworths district exhibit at the Easter show, building our new pig enclosure, construction of our new greenhouse and beef cattle preparation for the Muswellbrook and Easter show.

Mr Newling and the steer leading team have been extremely busy training our steers during every lunch break and after school on Wednesdays in preparation for the Easter show. Students learn all aspects of beef production including: market specifications, animal handling skills, and good animal husbandry and welfare practices.

Muswellbrook Show was our first taste of competition where students were put to the test in junior judging, paraders and weight classes. All students need to be commended on their performance with a special mention to Maddy Cooper who won her heat in paraders. Even though our steers were a little under done at Muswellbrook we managed to win a first place ribbon in the lightweights and a 4th and 2nd highly commended in the heavy weights.

Working on the land and contributing to thriving rural communities requires passion and unique skills that are put to the test at the Royal Easter show. The Sydney Royal sets the highest benchmarks for Agricultural excellence. Our students are competing against the best in the country and any achievements need to be held with the highest accolades. Students are currently working long hours preparing our 4 angus steers. Students are washing and drying steers daily, weighing steers, and meeting the highest animal husbandry practice to present to the public on Friday. Over 100,000 people will be coming through the turnstiles on Friday.

Judging is on Friday. "Wish us luck."

I have been teaching Agriculture for over 20 years and have never worked with such a dedicated teacher as Mr Newling. I would like to thank him personally for all his hard work. The students are so lucky to have such a knowledgeable and passionate teacher at Scone High School.

Also unfortunately our wonderful farm assistant Ty Turnbull will be leaving us soon where he will be taking the general assistant job at Muswellbrook High School. Mr Newling and myself would like to wish Ty Turnbull all the best in his new role and would like to thank him for all his work and dedication at Scone High School.

Written by Shane Pankhurst

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SAIL B HIGHLIGHTS

SAIL B students consist of students from Years 10, 11 and 12. Our long term goal is to transition students from Stages 5 and 6 to post school options. Post school options could include apprenticeships, traineeships, community participation, volunteer work, TAFE courses or a combination of these.

Along with students meeting learning outcomes towards their RoSA, Term 1 has seen students exploring personal interests while working towards Life Skills curriculum outcomes and living skills.

Personal interests have included gardening, egg production and cooking. SAIL B students have begun working on the garden bed behind the Learning Centre. Each day Morgan has been collecting the eggs from the ag farm chickens and taking them to the canteen or selling them to staff. Morgan enjoys an “eggcellent” joke and cracks us up with his runny yolks (funny jokes). There are plans afoot to develop the yard in front of F Block to include a sensory garden, barbeque and movement break area. (Watch this space!)



Some highlights of Term 1 include cooking and gardening. So far our SAIL B students have made breakfast bread cases, nachos, fruit smoothies, chocolate milkshakes, hamburgers and pizzas. Dylan has been named “Head Chef”; he is a natural in the kitchen.

Several SAIL B students have been involved in gardening. Cowan has been creating his windowsill garden. Cowan and Rhys have planted sweet pea seeds into small pots. Delacey has planted the seedlings into the garden. Cowan has also planted some succulents and we look forward to watching them grow.



In Week 10, SAIL B boys enjoyed an excursion to Coles where they purchased the ingredients for pizzas. Each student was given \$20 and a shopping list. They had to locate the items, add the prices and calculate the change expected. Following the shopping expedition, we visited Asser House for Crazy Shakes. It was so pleasing to receive a compliment from a customer about the students’ conduct. The boys showed excellent manners, great teamwork, an ability to follow instructions, patience and kindness.

SAIL B is most grateful to Scone Woolworths who have been donating a box of fresh fruit to our class each Monday. Some of our students travel long distances to get to school and often miss breakfast. The availability of fresh fruit has made such a difference to our students’ wellbeing and their ability to concentrate during key learning times.

We look forward to more excursions to Woolworths, Coles and other local businesses throughout the year as our students connect with their local community. On a personal note, I wish to thank our SLSOs, Mrs Jennett and Miss Stark, for their support of our students during Term 1.

Written by Maree Beer

ANZAC DAY SERVICES

Scone

- Dawn Service: War Memorial – Scone & District Swimming Pool
Guernsey Street, Scone
Commencing at 5:30am for 6:00am service
- Commemoration Service: War Memorial – Scone & District Swimming Pool
Guernsey Street, Scone
Call to order 11:00am for service
March along Guernsey Street to Scone RSL Club following conclusion of service

Gundy

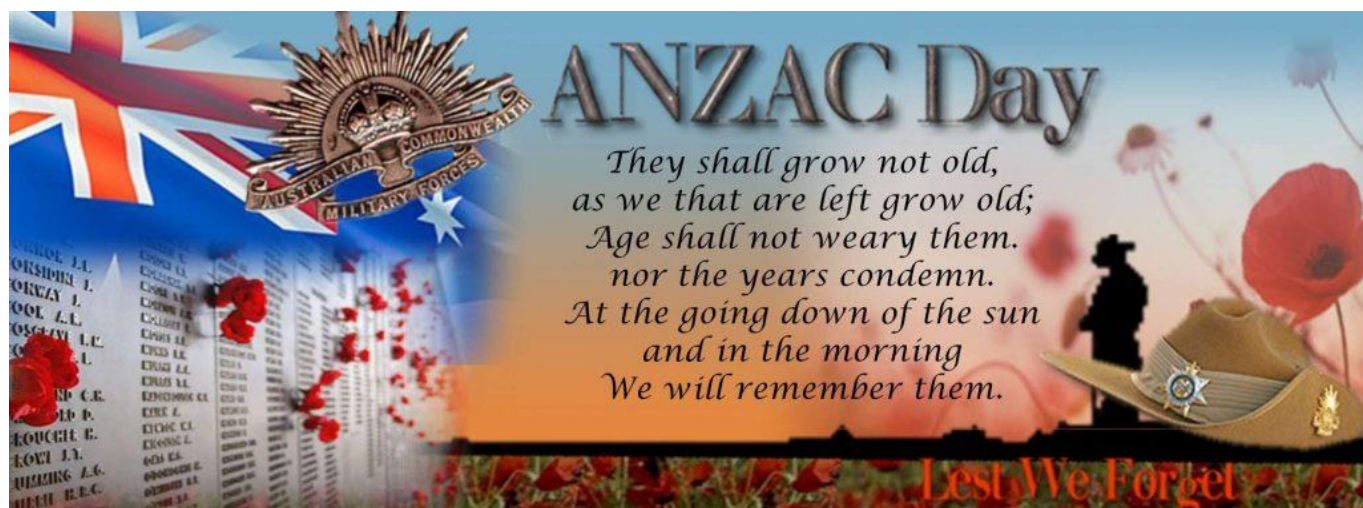
- Dawn Service: Linga Longa Hotel – 2 Riley Street, Gundy
Assemble at 8:15am for an 8:45am start

Aberdeen

- Dawn Service: Aberdeen RSL Club – 23 Moray Street, Aberdeen
Commencing at 6:00am

Murrurundi

- Dawn Service: Memorial Gates outside of the Bowling Club
131 Mayne Street, Murrurundi
- March & Service: Assembly at Adelaide Street at 10:45am
March to Memorial Gates 11:00am
Service at 11:30am



ASSEMBLY AWARDS

YEAR 7

Tyson Apps, Isabell Brookes, Felicity Davidson, Xavier Day, Aletta Downton, Tia Fairbrother, Bryce Ford, Tyson Gillis, Avah Harwood, Zoe Hejduk, Ethan Hines, Scarlet Hjorring, Taylor McDonald, Blake McNab, Mikayla Morse, Naztasha Prado, Jorja Roser, Lacy-Emily Rumbel, Mikayla Ryan, Zara Stein, Airlie Thompson, Jayden van Helden, Darcey Waugh, Lynx-David Whitby, Kirsten White, Lorelai White, Lachlan Willan

YEAR 8

Jack Kennewell, Paige Baxter, Breanna Bowden, Waylon Britt, Kalista Cone, Travis Dever, Corey Graham, Harry Hardes, Will Hejduk, Chantelle Holmes, Connor Logan, Daniel Lyne, Cohen Palmer, Nate Parkinson, Riley Perez, Ava Roughan, Amina Shahid, Raya Talty, Shania Thompson, Bohen Ward, Douglas Williams, Oliver Yabsley

YEAR 9

Alexander Perreau, Felicity Azarcon, Charlotte Brown, Billy Chamberlain, Holly Nester, Ada Ollerton, Brooke Sampson, Hayley Smith

YEAR 10

Lily Adams, Luc Bates, Jorja Cooper, Brock Curry, Cowan Dever, Jack Foley, Dylan Graham, Morgan Grant, Robert Keegan, Hunter McLoughlin, Emilie Mills, Charlie Milton, Hayley Mohr, Noah Morales, Bridgette Thompson, Tyson Thompson, Natasha Vickers

YEAR 11

Lexie Meier, Shaylee Mitchell, Bree Nugent, Tahlia Venz

YEAR 12

Rhys Baker, Cynthia Gibbs, Danielle Surawski, Charlotte Thompson

COMMUNITY NEWS



Easter 2022 School Holiday

TENNIS CAMPS

With Chris Herden, Tennis Australia Club Professional,
For ages 4-14 at Scone Tennis Club.

Heaps of fun for beginners and experienced players


Camp includes stroke development, drills, point and game play. You will also play a mix of cricket, soccer and t-ball to help develop hand-eye coordination. With prizes and competitions!


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| CAMP 1: April 11, 12, 13 | Ages: 4-6 yrs Ages: 6-14 | Time: 8.30-9.30 Time: 9.30-12.30 | \$16 per day / \$45 per week \$26 per day / \$75 per week |
| CAMP 2: April 19, 20, 21 | Ages: 4-6 yrs Ages: 6-14 | Time: 8.30-9.30 Time: 9.30-12.30 | \$16 per day / \$45 per week \$26 per day / \$75 per week |

Bookings essential!
Call Chris on 0400 331 553 for details and bookings

After School classes, Term 2, at Scone, Denman and Merriwa.
 Like Upper Hunter Tennis and Sports & Scone Hardcourt
 Tennis Association on Facebook




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|  <p>1st Scone Scouts Contact:- Greg Morris greg.morris@nsw.scouts.com.au</p> <p>Joey Scouts (6 & 7 year olds) and Cub Scouts (8-10 year olds) ~ Mondays 6:30 – 7:30pm</p> <p>Scouts (11-14 year olds) and Venturer Scouts (15 – 17 year olds) ~ Thursdays 6:45 – 8:30pm</p> |  <p>Scone Girl Guides Contact: Christina Darlington sconeDM@girlguides-nswactnt.org.au</p> <p>Jnr Guides (5 – 10+ year olds) ~ Mondays 5:30 – 7pm</p> |
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SENIOR STUDY HUB

Mondays and Thursdays - 3:15 pm to 5:30 pm - in B Lab 1

Tea, coffee and milo with a side of toasties available.

A safe and productive study space open to all students in Years 11 and 12.

Check out our website for study tips and techniques!



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

Fines will apply



**Do your bit
For a safer trip**



GLOW RUN

FREE *IT STARTS WITH YOU'TH*

TUESDAY, APRIL 12 | 4PM - 8PM
HARRISON OVAL AT JEFFERSON PARK, ABERDEEN

All attendees to register at the gate
Buses will be provided (\$1 per person), permission form will need to be submitted by Tue 5 April 2022

All youth welcome, children under 12 years old will need supervision from a parent/guardian.

All attendees to wear clothing that can get UV paint on, and they will require a change of warm clothes.

RSVP for Bus pick-up, Tue 5 April 2022
Early registrations close Thu 7 April 2022
and receive a free showbag! *Call* 0428 971 208
UPPERHUNTER.NSW.GOV.AU



ABORIGINAL ART WORKSHOP

21ST APRIL

HOST JWATSON ART

PCYC SINGLETON

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL
CONTACT 02 6572 1653

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BAILEY**

CHILL'D CHATS
& SCHNACKS
HOST

**GENUS
PASSI**

YARN S.M.A.R.T
HOST

**SAM
RUSSELL**

spots are
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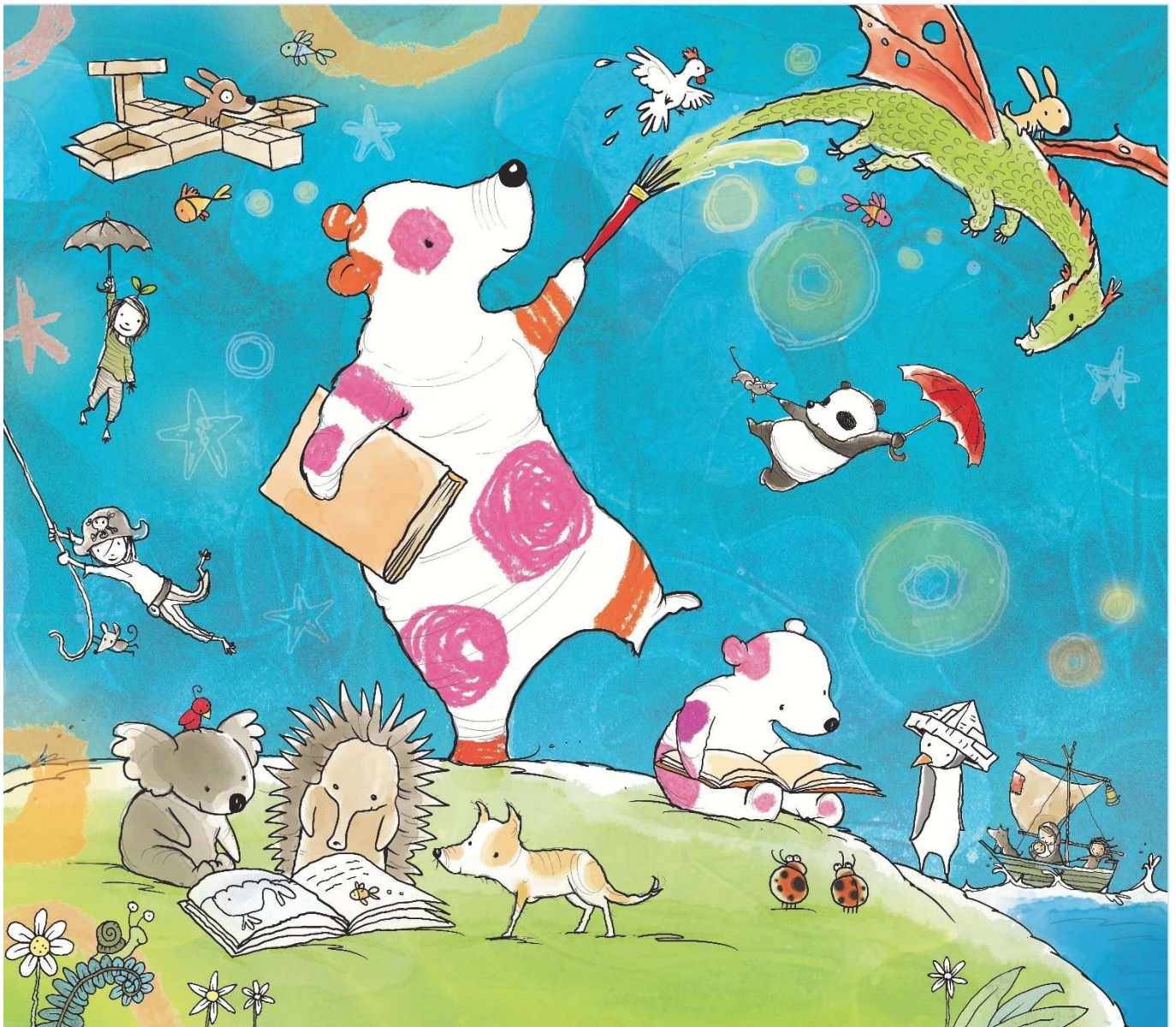
THURSDAY 14/04/22
PCYC SINGLETON
10AM-3PM

MORNING TEA & LUNCH PROVIDED

for
ages
12+

WORKSHOP WILL BE FREE !!
BRING HEADPHONES AND OWN MIC
IF YOU ~~HAVE ONE BUT ARE~~ NOT ESSENTIAL.

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**Key dates
for students
in K-10:**

Challenge opens
Monday 28 February

**Challenge closes for
student entries**
Friday 19 August



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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| Principal: | Mr Brian Drewe |
| Deputy Principal: | Mr Adam Johnston |

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| Street Address: | 9 Gundy Road, Scone NSW 2337 |
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| 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 school – 02 6545 1455

Canteen Supervisor – Mrs Belinda Field

Please call the front office on 02 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.

Millennium

<https://millenniumschoools.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.



[**www.scone-h.schools.nsw.edu.au**](http://www.scone-h.schools.nsw.edu.au)

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



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SCHOOL CALENDAR

| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|-------------|--|---|---|--|---|
| | 11 APR 2022 <i>School Holidays</i> | 12 APR 2022 <i>School Holidays</i> | 13 APR 2022 <i>School Holidays</i> | 14 APR 2022 <i>School Holidays</i> | 15 APR 2022 <i>School Holidays</i> |
| | 18 APR 2022 <i>School Holidays</i> | 19 APR 2022 <i>School Holidays</i> | 20 APR 2022 <i>School Holidays</i> | 21 APR 2022 <i>School Holidays</i> | 22 APR 2022 <i>School Holidays</i> |
| WK 1 | 25 APR 2022 <i>Anzac Day</i> | 26 APR 2022 <i>School Development Day P & C Meeting</i> | 27 APR 2022 <i>Students Return to School Year 11 Camp</i> | 28 APR 2022 <i>Year 11 Camp</i> | 29 APR 2022 <i>Year 11 Camp</i> |
| WK 2 | 2 MAY 2022 | 3 MAY 2022 | 4 MAY 2022 | 5 MAY 2022 | 6 MAY 2022 <i>School Athletics Carnival UNE School Open Day</i> |
| WK 3 | 9 MAY 2022 | 10 MAY 2022 <i>NAPLAN UNI Roadshow</i> | 11 MAY 2022 <i>NAPLAN</i> | 12 MAY 2022 <i>NAPLAN</i> | 13 MAY 2022 <i>NAPLAN</i> |
| WK 4 | 16 MAY 2022 <i>NAPLAN</i> | 17 MAY 2022 <i>NAPLAN</i> | 18 MAY 2022 <i>NAPLAN</i> | 19 MAY 2022 <i>NAPLAN</i> | 20 MAY 2022 <i>NAPLAN Recognition Assembly Whitecard WHS Course Year 10</i> |
| WK 5 | 23 MAY 2022 | 24 MAY 2022 <i>Love Bites Yr 7 & Yr 8 P & C Meeting</i> | 25 MAY 2022 <i>Love Bites Yr 7 Evacuation Drill</i> | 26 MAY 2022 | 27 MAY 2022 <i>Upper Hunter Zone Athletics</i> |
| WK 6 | 30 MAY 2022 <i>Wellbeing Week</i> | 31 MAY 2022 <i>Wellbeing Week</i> | 1 JUN 2022 <i>Wellbeing Week</i> | 2 JUN 2022 <i>Wellbeing Week</i> | 3 JUN 2022 <i>Wellbeing Week</i> |
| WK 8 | 6 JUN 2022 | 7 JUN 2022 | 8 JUN 2022 | 9 JUN 2022 | 10 JUN 2022 |
| WK 9 | 13 JUN 2022 <i>Public Holiday Queen's Birthday</i> | 14 JUN 2022 | 15 JUN 2022 <i>Year 6 Orientation Day 2</i> | 16 JUN 2022 | 17 JUN 2022 <i>Recognition Assembly</i> |