

NEWSLETTER Issue No 9, November 2022

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Dates to Remember

Swimming Lessons WK 7-8

Monday 21st to Friday 25th Nov Monday 28th to Friday 2nd Dec

9 December

Presentation Night

10 December

Moorine Rock Primary School Presentation Night

Wednesday 30 Nov – 2 Dec Try a trade

Thursday 15 December Student's last day of term

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We are almost at the end of week 7 of this term and things are still very busy in and around school. The students have also been enjoying their swimming lessons, we are so fortunate to have such a lovely facility for the students to swim in!

In the classrooms staff are currently completing their various programs, and finalising their reports - which will be sent out in the last week of term — and preparing for the end of year Presentation Night on December 9.

STAFFING UPDATE

I would like to say farewell and thank you to Ms Carly Burton who recently resigned her School Officer position. Carly supported our staff and students in many different ways during her time at the school, both in the office and in all of the various roles she took on. I would like to thank Carly very much for her dedication to the school and wish her all the best for the future.

At the end of Week 9 we will be farewelling Mr Traynor and Mrs Whitelaw. I would like to thank them very much for seeing our secondary students through to the conclusion of their SIDE programs this term, and I wish them well for their next appointments.

We currently have two teaching positions advertised, one for the primary area and one for the secondary area. As soon as I have information regarding the successful applicants I will let you know.

KINDY ORIENTATION

All enrolled and prospective Kindergarten students for 2023 are invited to attend an orientation morning on Tuesday 6 December, from 8:30 – 10:50. Please bring a hat, water bottle a piece of fruit or vegetable and a recess snack. We look forward to seeing you there!

TRY A TRADE

Next week some of our Year 9 students will be in Merredin from Wednesday to Friday, participating in the Try-A-Trade program. This is a great opportunity for the students to experience being away from home, get a feel for a variety of skills and develop an awareness of trades they may not have previously considered. We hope they enjoy this opportunity and learn much from it.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Thanks very much to Immy and the staff at the Southern Cross Coffee Lounge for providing delicious school lunches on a Monday and Friday. Students are still able to order while swimming lessons are taking place.

As previously mentioned, it is all systems go to get through what needs to be done to complete the year. Three weeks left and it's full steam ahead!

Kind regards,

Mrs Karen Tabner Principal

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

I have had a fantastic start to the term and I would like to thank everybody for welcoming me into your school community. I am so very excited to be here at Southern Cross District High School and I feel it is a great fit for me and that we can work together to ensure the moral purpose of an unrelenting focus on improving student outcomes.

As the new Deputy Principal at Southern Cross District High School, I am extremely honoured to have been given the opportunity to work with Karen and the dedicated staff in an exciting, regional public school. I can honestly say that I am very happy to be here and am really enthusiastic about the wonderful, future possibilities in the improvements of student performance.

I am of the belief that it is extremely important to build relationships within our school community so that we can have a positive impact on each student's learning. As I walk around the school and sit in the classes to meet the learners, these relationships are evident and I can see that learners strive to do their best for their teachers.

It has been a wonderful first few weeks and I have been impressed by the displays of work, alongside the colourful pieces of art in each class. I am enjoying spending time with the learners and getting to know them.

In the time I have been at Southern Cross District High School, I have experienced the dedication of each staff member to improve student outcomes and ensure that every learner at SCDHS is making progress and achieving to their full potential. There is a real commitment here to ensure that learners are supported to achieve in a safe, inclusive and positive environment.

I believe that my role as the Deputy Principal of our school is to further our continual improvement journey to achieve the goals and targets that have set in the school Business Plan.

I do have to say that the gardens are beautiful, and my favourite flowers are purple irises so I feel happy to be surrounded by such amazing flowers. Southern Cross District High School is such a welcoming school with wonderful resources, terrific staff, fantastic learners and dedicated families that it is truly a pleasure to work here and I look forward to meeting you all.

Regards,

Louise Davidson Deputy Principal

Thank you to these students for being sent to me for doing great work.





At Southern Cross District High School, our staff and students 'Strive' to achieve their personal best.

Congratulations

Congratulations to the recipients of Honour Certificates:

Year 1

Amelia for being a supportive member of the class by helping her peers when they need a hand. *Mrs Dal Busco*

Ryder for playing fairly in physical activities, while supporting his peers to be able to participate.

Mrs Dal Busco

Ryder for his fantastic effort in creating a pictograph when exploring sound. Mrs Nicholl

Year 2/3

Tia for consistently striving for personal excellence, you work hard and have a positive attitude. Well done Tia. *Miss Kinson*

Year 4/5/6

Imogen for always working on task with enthusiasm and persistence. Keep it up Immi. *Miss Robbins* **Angelo** for his fantastic enthusiasm during practical drama activities. Very entertaining. *Miss Robbins* **Kaiora** for demonstrating improved focus and perseverance on class work this term. *Miss Robbins*

Year 7/8

Joshua for working hard towards improving his English skills. Joshua has a positive attitude and approach. *Ms Whitelaw*

Daniella for her excellent organization and problem solving skills. Daniella is a quite achiever. *Ms Whitelaw* **Brodie** for demonstrating increased engagement, recall and questing in Science. Great work Brodie.

Benjamin for consistently demonstrating high levels of creativity and craftsmanship in art. Fantastic effort. *Miss Tisdell*



Final Assembly 2022

At our final assembly for the year, each class in the school presented an overview of what they had been studying in class, and showed select pieces of work. It was very interesting to see the broad range of topics displayed and listen to the students talk about their work.









Please follow our Facebook page to keep up-to-date with all the happenings within the school community. Search for 'Southern Cross District High School' and look for our beautiful old library building as our cover photo.





VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS 2022

Kindergarten \$60.00 Pre Primary \$60.00 Primary \$60.00 Secondary \$235.00 Our office does not hold cash on the premises.

Contributions can be deposited directly to our school Westpac Bank Account.

Account Name: Southern Cross District High School BSB: 036128

Account Number: 860047

Please make sure that you identify your deposit with your child's name to ensure that we credit it correctly.

