

## NEWSLETTER Issue No 8, 17 December 2020

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### **FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

#### Dates to Remember

JANUARY 25 January School office opens

26 January Australia Day holiday

28 January Teaching staff return

**FEBRUARY** 1 February Students return to school

MARCH 5 March Labour Day holiday

**APRIL** 1 April Last day of Term 1

2 April Good Friday Holiday Dear Parents and Community Members,

As the school year ends, I would like to thank you all for your support over what was, at times, a difficult year.

The uncertainty Covid-19 presented has influenced many operations of the school and our staff worked extremely hard to meet all of the guidelines and restrictions placed on them, which included having to prepare for our students to complete some of their learning at home at one stage.

Despite the challenges, we faced as the year unfolded, our students were still able to participate in incursions and excursions, some with our neighbouring schools, and our secondary students were able to participate in a very successful Country Week event.

Next year you will notice some new faces around the school as we are farewelling some of our current staff.

Mrs Calderbank is heading off for a sea change and after 13 years of working at our school, we will certainly miss her. She has been a champion of our secondary area as well as running Young Entertainers and bringing the REaD program to the Shire of Yilgarn, amongst many of her accomplishments, and we thank her very much for her tireless efforts. We wish her all the very best as she heads off for new adventures, and hope she occasionally thinks of us as she is walking along the beach!

Mrs Beaton is taking leave from us for 12 months, so we thank her for her efforts and various contributions to the school, including being a School Board member, over the past few years. We hope she has a

fulfilling time away and look forward to welcoming her back in 2022.

Mrs Bailey has been with us for the last few months and we have really appreciated her contributions to the secondary program and our school. We thank her very much and wish her all the very best for her future endeavours.

Thank you to Mrs White for her time in the year 5/6 class over the past 7 weeks. We appreciate her coming to Southern Cross for the end of the term and wish her well for her future endeavours.

Finally, thank you to Mr Blay for stepping in and working with our school and community for the last 7 weeks. The staff and students have enjoyed working with him, and I hope that he has enjoyed revisiting past acquaintances during this time. All the best for your next school.

The first day back for the students in 2021 is Monday, February 1. The office will be open from January 25, so if you have any queries you are welcome to telephone or call in.

With my recovery well on the way I am looking forward to returning to work and getting 2021 underway, but in the meantime on behalf of Mr Blay and the school, I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a happy and safe festive season, and we look forward to seeing everyone back next year.

Karen Tabner Principal

# YEAR 10 GRADUATING CLASS 2020

Congratulations to our Year 10 students who have finished their time with us. Some of these students have been with us from Kindergarten and some have only recently become part of our school, but they will all leave a lasting impression on us. We wish them all every success as they embark on the next chapter of their lives.

Thank you for Mrs Della Bosca and Mrs Calderbank for organising a lovely graduation dinner.



#### SOUTHERN CROSS DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL AWARD WINNERS 2020

*Tia Hodson* Early Childhood Award Donated by *Ray and Anne Hanretty* 

**Ruby Tuck** Year 2/3/4 Endeavour Award Donated by Hon Laurie Graham MLC

Shayla Cook Year 5/6 Highest Achiever Donated by Hon Darren West, MLC

Marcus Hodson Year 7/8 Highest Achiever Donated by AusIMM Kalgoorlie Branch

Cheree Navales Year 9/10 Highest Achiever Donated by Barto Gold Mining Pty Ltd

Harlem Hepi Secondary Physical Education Donated by Mrs Kathy Coward

*Claudia Pucar* Lower Primary Physical Education Donated by *Mrs Kathy Coward* 

> Tia Hodson PBS 'STARS' Award Donated by SCDHS P & C Association

Indy Cook Year 2/3/4 Highest Achiever Donated by Hon Laurie Graham MLC

*Ben Martin* Year 5/6 Endeavour Award Donated by *Hon Mia Davies, MLA* 

*Mathew Hodson* Primary STEM Award Donated by *Scitech/Woodside* 

Sienna Evans Year 7/8 Endeavour Award Donated by AusIMM Kalgoorlie Branch

Josh Holman Year 9/10 Endeavour Award Donated by Barto Gold Mining Pty Ltd

Marcus Hodson Secondary Passion for Science Donated by AusIMM Kalgoorlie Branch

Jayden Furnell Upper Primary Physical Education Donated by Mrs Kathy Coward

> Max Della Bosca Primary Strive Award

Sienna Evans Secondary Strive Award

Southern Cross District High School would like to thank all of those people and companies who support our students throughout the year. Congratulations to all of our students for their endeavours throughout the year. We wish you all a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing you in 2021.



Thank you to Sarah Pollard who came in on Tuesday afternoons and assisted us in the library. We enjoyed seeing you each week, and appreciate your lovely displays and all the fantastic work

you put in. Thanks also to Lisa and Raylene who assisted her.



OUR SCHOOL OFFICE OPENS ON MONDAY 25 JANUARY 2021

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STUDENTS COMMENCE ON MONDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2021



