



## Dates to Remember

- \* 20 Feb P & C meeting  
3:30pm
- \* 24 Feb YR 7-10 Movie Night  
5-7PM
- \* 10 March Crazy Hair Day
- \* 21 HARMONY DAY
- \* 24 March YR 1-6 Movie Night  
YR 1-3 (4-6PM) YR 4-6 (5-7PM)
- \* 6 April YR K-1 Assembly  
Easter Hat Parade
- \* 22 Feb Tutu Day
- \* 2 March YR 5/6 Assembly
- \* 13-24 March NAPLAN
- \* 24 March Ride to School Day
- \* 27 March School Photos  
Kindy students in
- \* 6 April End of Term 1
- \* 7 April Good Friday - Start of school holidays

## FROM THE 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 in that we can work together to ensure the moral purpose of an unrelenting focus on improving student outcomes.

As the new Principal at Southern Cross District High School, I am extremely honoured to have been given the opportunity to lead 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 privileged to be part of this great school and community, to ensure that our school becomes a school of excellence.

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.

I give you my firm undertaking that I will encourage learners every day to do their very best and work towards their own personal excellence. 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.

It is my pleasure to meet the learners, parents, families and carers where I advocate for excellence in academics, behaviour, attendance and personal pride in wearing the school uniform.

I believe that my role as the Principal of our school is to further our continual improvement journey to achieve the goals and targets we have set in our school Strategic Plan. I will be reflective of our current achievements and will focus on how we can further become a school of excellence where Southern Cross District High School becomes a lighthouse school. I am excited about the future success of each and every learner and I know that this time next year we will be celebrating and building upon the many successes of our learners.

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 lead and I look forward to meeting you all, so that together, we work towards excellence.

Louise Davidson  
PRINCIPAL

## FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

As the new Deputy Principal at Southern Cross DHS, I would like to express my appreciation to all who have made me feel so welcome.

I am thrilled to be working at such a lovely school and I look forward to seeing what this year will bring for all.

I would also like to formally introduce the other new staff at our school. Welcome to Mr Bryan Rosher, Ms Viette Pederson and Ryan Wiggins. Both Mr Rosher and Ms Pederson will be with us for the entire year while Mr Wiggins has a contract with the flying squad and will be leaving us shortly. All classes have been fully staffed this year which is fantastic as the students have face to face interaction with their teachers. Indonesian is the only subject that will be accessed by SIDE at this point of time.

Our classes consist of:

Kindergarten, PP and Year 1: Mrs Janine Dal Busco,  
supported by Mrs Ann Borana

Year 2/3/4: Ms Erin Kinson

Year 5/6: Mr Bryan Rosher

Science/Maths: Miss Hope Tisdell

English/HASS/D&T: Ms Viette Pederson

Health/PE/The Arts: Mr Ryan Wiggins

We also welcome our support staff: Lauren and Ashley to our team.

Most of our students will be involved in the PAT (Progressive Achievement Tests) testing over the next few weeks. They will be assessed in their understandings around Science, Mathematics, Reading and Grammar. These results will assist us to make informed decisions around our teaching and learning over the year.

Please let me know if I can assist you in any way. My door is always open.



Kate Dowling  
Deputy Principal

### VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS 2023

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.



## MEET AND GREET

*It was fantastic to meet all our parents and families last Wednesday night. The sausage sizzle was enjoyed by all and I heard one student saying he had four sausage sizzles. We really did enjoy chatting with parents, showing them around the classrooms and giving them the teacher's newsletter for Term 1, 2023.*

*I love the engagement of our students, some students attended without their parents and had a great time interacting with their friends, playing volleyball and basketball.*

*We even had some music coming from the old piano.*

*Thanks to all those who came, we look forward to many more of these in the future.*



# BREAKFAST CLUB



Breakfast Club at Southern Cross District High School will be happening every Wednesday and Friday. Any donations of staple foods to go towards our Breakfast club would be appreciated and can be dropped off at the front desk.  
Thank you.

Happy Birthday to.....

Indy 2 January  
Lucas 5 January  
Claudia 8 January  
Parker 22 January  
Madison 31 January

Malcom 4 February  
Miekenzie 10 February  
Joshua 13 February  
Ella-Norah 26 February  
Caitlyn 27 February



Happy Birthday!

# P & C News

Our next meeting is 20 February @ 3:30pm in the staff room. We hope to see some new and old faces.  
Everyone is welcome



## TUTUs and Twos Day 22.2.23

Wednesday Week 4—22 February or 22/2/23

Whole school Tutu Dress Up Day—just because it's fun!

Come in your tutu or 'twin' with your friend or sibling to recognise this unusual date in our calendar.







# YEARS 7-9

You are invited to a movie night

Where: Library

On: Friday 24 February

Time: 5-7 pm



## SOUTHERN CROSS DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

### READING

We invite volunteers to come into our school to listen to our students read each morning. If you can attend even one day, we would love to have you. The reading will begin at 9am and the classroom teachers will assist our volunteers.

### BREAKFAST CLUB

We require volunteers to help prepare breakfast for our students twice a week. Our Volunteers will begin at 8.15am and finish at 9am each Wednesday and Friday

All our volunteers will need to have a Working With Children's Check, we can help with this.

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.



Southern Cross District High School



Dandelions WA

### **Thank you, Thank you, Thank you**

Dandelions WA is a not-for-profit organisation that supports children and families. Last year Dandelions WA sought applications from schools for students to receive equipment and a school bag. Southern Cross District High School students were fortunate enough, to have been selected to receive a free bag each.

One of our students, Mathew said, "I think it is cool and Mum and Dad are happy with it, we are happy with the backpacks too".







**MATHS**  
Every day we count to 10, 20 & 100 in Maths. It is important that we recognise the numbers

## Kindy Pre-Primary Year One



**PLAY**  
We have fun playing inside or outside. We get to use our imagination and play with friends.



**ARTS & DESIGN TECH**  
The Kindy kids had fun splattering green all over their paper. PP/Yr1 had to make the tallest tower without it

**HANDWRITING**  
We practise using correct pencil grip every morning to complete our handwriting.



## SOUTHERN CROSS DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL BOARD VACANCIES

We are excited to announce that we have the following vacancies on our School Board:

A Community Representative

Two Parent Representatives.

The School Board will elect the community members. We encourage any community members interested in becoming involved in the governance of the school in 2023 and beyond, to consider nominating by 26 April 2023.

Parent Representatives may nominate at any time.

We are excited to encourage our school community to participate in the governance of our school.

Please contact the school for a nomination application.

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





Department of  
Health

# Free vaccinations at school for students in years 7 and 10

Protect your child against  
vaccine-preventable diseases.



Parents and guardians can consent on the  
VaccinateWA website.

Otherwise a hard copy form can be requested from school.

Consent is required before the immunisation program starts in Term 1.

[healthywa.wa.gov.au/schoolimmunisations](http://healthywa.wa.gov.au/schoolimmunisations)



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