



Dates to Remember

Term 3

Friday 19 September

Year 5/6 Leadership Day @ MRPS

Sunday 21 September – 26 September

Country Week

Friday 26 September

End of Term 3

Term 4

Saturday 11 October-CRC

Event

Colour Blast Town Oval-See the Shire for more info

Monday 13 October

Start of Term 4 – Students return to School

Friday 17 October

Pirate Day

Zap Circus Incursion @ SCDHS

Tuesday 17 October

Cricket Blast PP to 6, P4

Saturday 18 October-CRC

Event

ZAP Circus – Southern Cross Community Centre

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Caregivers and School Community,

What an incredible few weeks at Southern Cross District High School!

Our Learning Journey and Assembly was held on Tuesday afternoon of Week 9 and we had an amazing turnout from our parents. The Secondary Students put on an incredible production of Charlie Small in Gorilla City. Directed by Ms Tisdell, they worked hard on creating their props and stage setup, rehearsing and covering all angles of the Arts and Media curriculum at the same time. It was great to see the effort of all our staff and students in getting their classrooms ready for the afternoon.

We have joined with Moorine Rock and St Josephs for a few events in the previous weeks. We hosted Literacy Day, and a Musica Viva incursion and it was great to have the school buzzing with so many engaged students! A big thank you to Ms Long and our Literacy Team for organising a day of quests and literacy-based games and activities.

Our Secondary Students have had a few opportunities to explore career pathways this term. We have taken advantage of the Career Taster Portal program to allow students a range of incursions. Our 7/8s participated in a food technology workshop and we had different occupations running through Virtual Reality headsets. The SALT team visited and ran a try-a-trade workshop for half a day, and we took a few students from Year 5 to 10 to the Cunderdin Agricultural College Open Day. Next year we hope to expand this program and include a Careers Camp to Perth where we will look to visit the Careers Expo amongst a range of other activities.

A big thank you to Mrs Field who put together a wonderful Athletics Carnival Day for our YSSSA schools last week. We had some glorious sunshine and only a little bit of wind for the day. Students gave their best efforts and ran and jumped their way through the day!

These opportunities were all thoroughly enjoyed by our students in attendance. Unfortunately, a few students missed out because they did not attend school. This term we have an attendance rate of 65.9% and only 35% of our students attend more than 90% of the time. We would love to have our attendance rate above 90% and ask all our families to make the effort to send your kids to school. If your student is unable to attend, we ask you please let the school know the reason for the absence so we can record this. If you need assistance, please give the school a call and we are here to help.

Week 10 is Country Week and we wish all our secondary students the best of luck. They will be participating in mixed basketball and head of on Sunday before returning Friday afternoon. We wish all our families and community a safe and wonderful holiday break and look forward to seeing our students back on Monday October 13 for the last term of the year!

Mr Mat Kennedy
PRINCIPAL

Literacy Day



Students from SCDHS, MRPS and SJPS participated in a range of activities designed to support and develop their literacy skills. Students matched pictures to letters of the alphabet or wrote their own mini books. They interpreted spoken instructions and played a variety of literacy-based games. They listened to and acted out a story and went on a quest. They also got some time to relax and read in the library. Overall, it was an awesome day!



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Monday: Collaborative Catapults



Wednesday: Homemade Harmonicas



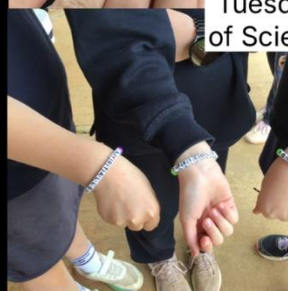
Science Week 2025



Tuesday: Branches of Science bracelets



Thursday: Planes versus Rockets



Friday: Cooperative Cup Stack



PIC•COLLAGE

YSSSA Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to all the students for a fantastic Athletics Carnival on Friday. Well Done!

2025 YSSSA Athletics Carnival Results: 12 September

Age Group Individual Champions and Runner Up Champions

Sub Junior Boys:

Champion: Corey
Runner Up: Harvey

Sub Junior Girls:

Champion: Eloise
Runner Up: Maddison

Junior Boys:

Champion: Mitchell
Runner Up: Callum

Junior Girls:

Champion: Lydia
Runner Up: Layla

Intermediate Boys:

Champion: Alec
Runner Up: Ryder

Intermediate Girls:

Champion: Clara
Runner Up: Aliyah

Senior Boys:

Champion: Felix
Runner Up: Leon

Senior Girls:

Champion: Issabella
Runner Up: Alexis

**Well done to
all who
attended!**



**It was a
fabulous day
out!**



YSSSA ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

CONGRATULATIONS

Honour Certificates

Pre-Primary

Eli for his active participation in class and always trying his best. [Mrs Field](#)

Year 1

Maddison for using a variety of skills when reading, and writing super sentences using tricky words. [Mrs Dal Busco](#)

Year 6

Arnav for trying his best and approaching his learning with a positive attitude. [Mrs Field](#)

Year 8

Lynton Excellent effort and participation in lessons. Continually impressed with your contributions in class. [Ms Tisdell](#)

Christo for focused learning, positive participation and trying his best. [Mrs Field](#)

Year 10

Seth for being flexible and embracing his characters in our productions. [Ms Tisdell](#)



Positive Behaviour Support (PBS)

Week 5-9 Blue Card draw



Hawaiki – PP
Tia – Year 6
Christo – Year 8
Angelo – Year 9



100% Attendance Awards

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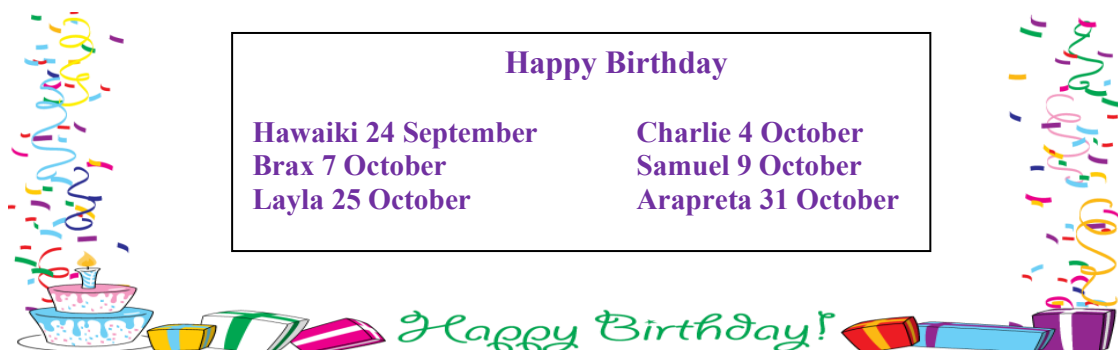
Christo

Attendance Award 90% Attendance or higher

Alexis
James
Eric
Damon

Tia
Adriano
Arnav
Holly

Mat
Elizabeth
Maddison



When is it OK to miss school?

It is important for children to attend school all day, every day.

When is it OK to not go to school?

An OK reason is one that prevents your child from getting to school. This could include:

- your child is unable to attend because they are sick
- attending cultural or religious observances such as sorry time and funerals
- an unavoidable medical appointment
- an unavoidable natural event such as flood waters or a cyclone

The Principal decides if the reason given for your child's absence is acceptable.

It's NOT OK to miss school if your child:

- is celebrating a birthday
- is going on a family holiday
- is visiting family and friends
- has slept in or had a big weekend
- is looking after other children
- has sport or other recreational activities that have not been approved by the school
- has appointment such as haircuts and minor check ups

If possible, routine medical and other health appointments should be made either before or after school, or during the school holidays.

Do you need to let the school know if your child will be away from school?

Yes, you need to let the school know the reason why your child is going to be, or has been, absent from school as soon as possible. Where possible, please discuss any upcoming absences in advance so we can let you know of important learning or activities your child will miss out on.

This requires a responsible person, usually a parent, to provide a reason for the absence within three school days.

Having information about why your child is missing school helps us plan for their return to school and work out whether we can provide any further help to you.

Why is going to school so important?

- At school, many concepts such as literacy and numeracy are taught in a sequence. Missing school means missing out on learning – which can often make it difficult to catch up later. This is particularly important in the early years when essential foundation skills are being taught.
- Going to school every day helps children learn the important life skill of 'showing up' – at school, at work, to sport and other commitments.

Research from the Western Australian Telethon Kids Institute shows that every day at school counts towards a student's learning. Students who attend regularly, generally do better at school and in life.

As we prepare to send our Year 7-10 students to Country Week, we would like to personally thank those within the community who have made this event possible. On behalf of the students, parents and staff, we would like to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation for the financial support provided by businesses, which allowed our students to attend this fantastic opportunity. Without their support, it would not be possible to fund our students to attend Country Week. We would also like to thank the broader community for supporting us through various fundraising initiatives throughout the year. We are very lucky to have such a supportive community that values our wonderful school.

A Big Thank You for the Donation towards DHS Country Week 2025:

**Lance and Emma Booth,
Moorine Rock**

Your generosity has been very heart-warming.

*Good luck to our Secondary students for
Country Week*



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CIRCUS**



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SATURDAY OCTOBER 18, 2025

6:45pm

Southern Cross Community Centre

Entry by Gold Coin Donation



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Blue Light WA™
Unit presents**



HALLOWEEN DISCO!



**Come along in your best
spooky costume for a
night of music, dancing
and games!**



Prizes available for best dressed



Snacks & sweets supplied

WHEN

**Friday 31st October
4.00–8:00pm**

WHERE

**Southern Cross
Community Centre**

WHO

Kindy - 16 years
Children under 8 years must be
accompanied by an adult.

COST

Free

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Term 4 – 2025

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 October	13	14	15	16	17 Pirate Day ZAP Circus
Week 2	20	21 Period 4 Cricket Blast PP to 6 P and C meeting 3.30pm	22	23	24
Week 3	27	28	29	30 Numeracy Day MRPS tbc Bandanna Day Mini Industry Roadshow – Secondary School	31 Blue Light Disco 4pm
Week 4 November	3 SDD - Student Free Day	4	5	6	7
Week 5	10	11	12	13	14
Week 6	17	18	19	20	21
Week 7	24 Swimming Lessons	25 Swimming Lessons	26 Swimming Lessons	27 Swimming Lessons	28 Swimming Lessons
Week 8 December	1 Dec Swimming Lessons	2 Swimming Lessons	3 Swimming Lessons	4 Swimming Lessons	5 Swimming Lessons
Week 9	8	9	10	11	12 End of Year Presentation morning
Week 10	15	16	17	18	19 Holidays!

Meetings/Assemblies	Incursions	Educational events
Sports events	Deadlines/Information	Social