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<u>Dates to</u> Remember

JULY

SATURDAY 18 Country Week wood raffle

MONDAY 20 School Development Day

TUESDAY 21 Term 3 commences

AUGUST

TUESDAY 4 3 – Way Interviews

MONDAY 10 P & C Meeting

WEDNESDAY 12 STEM Day (K – Year 6)

TUESDAY 18 Assembly 2 pm

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Here we are at the end of what has been a very different term - and semester!

It was lovely, however, to be able to welcome everyone to our end of term assembly and be able to reflect on how the Covid-19 pandemic affected our operations and how we will be moving forward next term.

As I said at the P&C meeting, I must commend our parent body for the amount of support you demonstrated by home schooling your children, where possible and when necessary, and following all the restrictions put in place to meet the changing Covid-19 requirements right up to the beginning of June when phase 4 was introduced.

I would also like to take this opportunity to commend our staff — teachers and EAs - who were suddenly faced with spending the majority of the last few weeks of term 1 preparing work packs for each student in their class, then into the holidays preparing follow up resources. This was a mighty workload that required them to research and investigate a multitude of sources in order to have activities ready for their students and parents to use that would assist in the continuation of learning at home — a totally foreign arrangement for a teacher! Thanks must also go to our lovely office ladies who provided clerical, technical and organisational support during this time.

Our wonderful cleaning staff, with assistance from our gardener, have been in action all term ensuring that the students and staff have remained safe at school through their thorough efforts of keeping all the surfaces that we touch throughout the day clean and hygienic. For

that I thank Anne, Anna, Stephanie, Petrina and Rob - we are very lucky to have you working with us. Next term will see that arrangement continue, so plans are already underway to ensure it happens.

REPORTS

Hopefully everyone had the opportunity to sit with their child/ren and have a look at their reports yesterday. As mentioned in the accompanying letter, they were a bit different from previous reports, however you will have an opportunity to discuss them with your child/ren's class teacher at our three way interviews next term. I hope you are all able to come to the meetings.

P & C

Thanks to everyone who attended our recent P&C AGM and meeting, and congratulations to the incoming committee. I'm really looking forward to working with you all as we move forward in providing the best opportunities for our students.

Thanks also to the outgoing committee, your efforts and assistance to the staff and students is appreciated.

2021 Planning

As we move into Semester 2, we will begin our planning cycle for 2021

If you are not planning on your child/ren attending SCDHS next year, we would appreciate it if you could please let us know to assist with our planning.

Finally, I hope everyone has a safe and relaxing break. For those of you travelling please travel safe, and I will see all students back at school on Tuesday, 21 July.

Karen Tabner Principal



P & C NEWS

Thank you to the outgoing P & C Committee for their hard work and dedication over the last 12 months.

We would like to introduce you to our new committee members for 2020 –

President Bianca Bradford
Vice President Chauvonne Shipard
Secretary Stephanie Smylie
Treasurer Shona Glassford

Book Club Co-ordinator Leah Gale Uniform Co-ordinator Tamara Brown

Don't forget the P & C have their own Facebook page if you would like to keep up to date with what is happening!

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

As we come to the end of another busy term, I'm sure we will all agree that it has been one of the most unusual yet. I would like to extend a big thank you to everyone for their support during such a challenging and extraordinary time. The Semester 2 calendar is already filling up quickly and I am really looking forward to some of things we have in-store. We have some exciting activities and events planned which I think our students will really enjoy and benefit from.

Have a wonderful and restful holiday and we will see you in Term 3 ©.

Country Week 2020

Country Week is an annual event coordinated by School Sport WA that takes place in the final week of Term 3 each year. It involves students from district high schools across Western Australia travelling to Perth to compete against one another in various sports.

It is my understanding that Southern Cross District High School has not participated in the event for many years, however, we feel that many of our secondary students would benefit from this opportunity.



I am excited to announce that we will be sending our Year 7-10 students to Country Week 2020.

Our teams will be made-up of one female Netball team and a male Football team. Eligible students will travel to Perth on Sunday, 20 September, for the week of events ahead.

Throughout the week, students will participate in a number of sporting and non-sporting activities. The aim of this educational experience is to provide our students with the opportunity to further develop their social and cultural competence, whilst being active and encouraging physical activity. In the future and if successful, it is our hope that we would be able to offer this opportunity to students on an annual basis.

In the meantime, the students and their families will be busy organising fundraising activities to help achieve our fundraising goal. Your support towards these fundraising events would be greatly appreciated by all the students involved.

Our first fundraising event will be a **wood raffle on Saturday 18 July**. It would be great if you were available to pop down to the main street and purchase some raffle tickets to support this exciting cause. Please also keep an eye out over the next few weeks as we announce more fundraising activities for Term 3.



Kínd Regards, Mrs Jess Stephen

Congratulations

to the following recipients of honour certificates for this assembly.

Kindergarten/Pre-primary/Year 1

Hanna Brown for her curious and enthusiastic attitude and her ability to express her own ideas. Tia Hodson for persevering with her writing tasks and experiencing satisfaction in her achievements. Claudia Pucar for her determination and persistence in Health, Physical Education and Technologies.

Year 2/3/4

Indy Cook for her commitment to completing her classwork to a high standard. *Jayden Furnell* for his efforts in contributing great ideas to discussions. *Courtney Pucar* for her excellent efforts in all learning areas.

Year 5/6

Max Della Bosca for his caring nature towards his class mates in physical education and technologies. Shayla Cook for creating persuasive texts to a high standard.

Toby Hilder for placing a great effort to present all work in a neat and organized manner. *Keira Thirlwell* for showing great improvement in her mental recall of number facts.

Year 7/8

Anthony Brunalli for putting a huge effort into his narrative and experimenting with descriptive language in English.

Anthony Brunalli for outstanding effort during mathematics to finish all his work and then complete additional exercises.

Joeross Lendio for persisting and scouring an amazingly high score on Word Mania.

Dustin Luke for fantastic focus during science and consistently being one of the first to complete his work. Lily Marinkovich for always applying herself wholeheartedly to completing her English tasks to a high standard. Lily Marinkovich for working really hard to complete her HASS work this term.

Year 9/10

Dale Laws for focusing hard to complete set tasks in HASS.

April Martin for her determination and hardworking attitude in health, physical education, technologies and media. *April Martin* for her inspiring dedication to her studies during mathematics in the second half of Term 2.



Our Kindy, Pre-primary and Year 1 students have been busy learning about the letter 'O'. They practised writing the letter O and drew a picture of an Octopus using an old fashioned chalkboard.



VIRTUAL CROSS COUNTRY

On Friday12 May, Southern Cross District High School competed in a Virtual Cross Country. Due to the restrictions of COVID 19 at the time, we were unable to participate in the annual interschool event at Bruce Rock.

Instead, each school held their own virtual event with all students from Year 7-10 running 3km's, and the final results were sent through to School Sports WA. This landmark virtual event included competitors from all over Australia.

It was great to have the primary school students support and cheer them on from the sidelines, as it lifted the high schoolers motivation and effort.

Thank you to all the staff and the Southern Cross Police who volunteered their time and assistance on the day. Without this help, we wouldn't have been able to have the event.

Congratulations to Harlem Hepi and April Martin who were our champions and Flynn Chrisp and Aribela Evans who were the runner ups. It was a great afternoon and it was fabulous to see the whole school involved in some way.



YSSSA Lightning Carnival

On Wednesday 1 July, the Year 3-10 students from Southern Cross District High School, St Joseph's School and Moorine Rock Primary School participated in the YSSSA Lightning Carnival. The students were combined between the different schools and age groups to create 4 netball and 4 football teams. Throughout the day they participated in a round robin which lead to a small finals series.

Paul Reid, the development coach from West Perth Football Club, also attended to help co-ordinate the football games. It was a great opportunity for the kids to display their talents and get some individual feedback to improve their skills. We hope to see Paul again sometime this year for a football clinic.

It was great to see lots of community members attending and the sportsmanship demonstrated by all students on the day.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered on the day to assist with the running of the carnival through umpiring and coaching. A special thankyou to Chis Martin, Tammy Collins, Tash Crees, Corey Holdem, and Darryl Krauss for volunteering to be umpires on the day.

Each coach selected a fairest and best and/or best team person and a most improved.

Congratulations to the following students:

Football

Fairest and Best/Best Team Person:

Anthony Brunalli, Dustin-Lee Luke, Mitchell Thomson, Joeross Lendio

Most Improved:

Regan Auld, Jayden Furnell, Angelo Guerini, Eathan Glass

Netball:

Fairest and Best/Best Team Person:

April Martin, Ruby Tuck, Brydee Karra, Shellbee Laws

Most Improved:

Ekam Guleria, Isaac Dobson, Chelsea Glass, Bronte Crafter

Miss Jones HPE Teacher









Colouring- in Competition

Thank you to the Southern Cross Police who recently held a colouring-in competition for children between Kindergarten and Year 6.

Congratulations to the following students who were today awarded prizes by Constable Rachael Ritchie.

Gurchirag, Imogen, Gemma and Peyton!



MONDAY 20 JULY is a SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY

STUDENTS START BACK ON TUESDAY 21 JULY