

Thank you to the parents who helped with transport to and from Scone.
Thank you to the parents who assisted with timekeeping and marshalling.
Thank you to Kim Stanford for your assistance in timekeeping and advice offered to ensure events not only ran to schedule but also according to the rules.
Thank you to Mrs Parker for all the behind scenes organisation.
Finally, thank you to the students who attended. Your high level of participation and fantastic behaviour was wonderful. You did a great job representing the school and we are all very proud of your efforts.



Andrew

1st Senior Boys Medley
Open 100m Freestyle
11yrs Freestyle 50m
Breaststroke 50m
Backstroke 50m
Butterfly 50m

Riley

1st 10yrs Noodle 25m

Rowdy

2nd 10yrs Noodle 25m
Kickboard 25m
Freestyle 25m

Dustynn

2nd 12yrs Freestyle 50m
Breaststroke 50m
Backstroke 50m

Reagan

1st 8yrs Noodle 25m
Kickboard 25m

Maddison

2nd 9yrs Noodle 25m
Kickboard 25m

Reece

1st 12yrs Freestyle 25m

John

3rd 8yrs Noodle 25m



Textbook Fee

We will begin formal lessons next week, now that swimming is over. We would like textbook fees to be paid as soon as possible to minimise disruptions to classroom programs. The cost for textbooks is \$65 for Kinder/Year 1 and \$70 for Year 2 to 6. If you require financial assistance please contact me during school hours. Thank you to the families who have already paid.

Teacher Training

Over the next few weeks, staff will be attending a variety of training in preparation for programs to be implemented this year. On 15th February, Ms Bullock and myself will be attending peer support training. We are looking at revamping our own peer support program for Kinder Orientation. On 16th February, Mrs Parker and Mrs Smith will be attending Reading Tutor training. This program will be a follow on from MiniLit that was implemented last year.

On Saturday 25th February, all teaching staff will travel to Singleton to attend Seven Steps to writing. Improvement in writing skills is one of our whole school focuses this year.

Labelled Clothing

A quick reminder to please ensure all items of clothing have your child's name on them. We already have some hats in lost property that we are unable to return because they do not have names on them.

Thank you.

Christina Darlington - Principal

Additions and Attachments

- Statement of Account.
- Some receipts.



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Extreme Weather Conditions

As we head into another week of extreme temperatures, I would like to remind everyone about our sun safe policy. All students must wear a hat when participating in activities outside the classroom. This includes recess and lunch. We are limiting outdoor activities, such as swimming and PE to the morning part of the day, and allowing students to access air conditioned rooms during lunch time to minimise exposure to the heat. All students are reminded to bring a bottle of water which they can drink from during class time.

Unwanted Visitors

As many of you are aware, we had a visit from a (very) large eastern brown snake last Friday. The snake was spotted in the playground while the primary class were eating their recess. Students were directed to follow our emergency procedures for snakes. While no one was in immediate danger, we felt it was safer to remove all students from the playground. Our snake emergency procedures will remain in place for the remainder of the hot weather. We have reduced access to the playground where the snake was spotted and staff will remain vigilant whenever students are outside. A thorough inspection of the school grounds and surrounding areas has been conducted.

If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Welcome

Last week we welcomed a new student, Kane Taylor. He has settled in well and already made lots of friends. A big welcome also to his family.

Assembly

We will hold our first assembly on Friday this week. It will start at 9.15am. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

Swimming Carnival

What a wonderful day we had at Scone last week at the Upper Hunter Small Schools swimming carnival. We had 10 students represent the school in a range of races including 100m, 50m and 25m. All students participated to the best of their abilities and should be very proud of their efforts.

Unfortunately, an oversight at the end of the day, saw the students placing in the 25m races not receiving ribbons. However this situation was rectified back at school on Friday.

The highlight of our day was definitely the impromptu parents/teacher relay that was run at the end of the day. A big thank you to Brendan Walters, Bec Wardman, Bec Ward and Dimity Parker, who proudly represented Sandy Hollow. Finishing 3rd was an awesome finish to a great day.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Assembly

Fri 10th Feb

P&C Meeting

Meet and greet

Thurs 23rd Feb

2pm in the Music Room

AGM

Thurs 16th Mar

Canteen - Katie McLean will be doing canteen every Monday for Term 1.

Toybox

Mon 13th Feb

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