A small community where the students shine!

The school community of Southern Cross Primary believes in providing a quality learning environment that encourages children to be curious, inspired and successful in their learning. We strive to achieve an educationally safe and caring environment through our daily implementation of behaviours, programs and modelling that values, understands and respects individual abilities and cultural diversity.

SCPS School Assembly

Next fortnightly assembly will be held MONDAY, 26th May 2014, at 3.00 p.m.

School Hours and Break Times

Playgrounds supervised 8:45 – 9.00 a.m. and 3:30 -3:45 p.m.
Students arrive 8:50 a.m. Classes start promptly at 9.00 a.m.
Morning Recess is 11 – 11:30 a.m. Lunch 1:40. – 2:30 p.m.
School finishes at 3.30 p.m.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Items sent home will generally be colour coded.

Please read this newsletter, as it is an important communication between school and home.

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Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome to the news this week.

Student Safety

At Southern Cross Primary School we take the responsibility of student safety very seriously. That is why we lock some of our gates during the day. I know I have been criticized for this but I make no apology for this action. Yes, it may be a minor inconvenience if you have to walk a little further but I will not jeopardize the safety of our children just to satisfy a few people.

This is the reason why I continually remind parents to always enter the school during the day through the office. Even though you have a child in the school, it does not give you the right to go directly to classrooms or the playground without registering your presence at the office. This is a legal obligation.

Parents must also remember that they do not have a right to approach children other than their own. If there are any issues that need to be dealt with that is done by the school following very strict DEECD guidelines. I would also like to remind parents that you are not at any time permitted to enter the student toilets. If you need to use these facilities during school time, please come to the office. If by any chance you see someone acting inappropriately in the school grounds could you please report it to the office immediately. If you would like to discuss any of these points please do not hesitate to contact me.

I wish you a happy and healthy week ahead.

Averil Nunn – Principal

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**SWIMMING PROGRAM**

The 2014 Swimming Program will start next Monday

Monday 26th – Thursday 29th May and
Monday 2nd to Thursday 5th June (8 days).

This program will be held at Genesis, Scott Street, Dandenong (formerly Just Swimming), where the students will be instructed by fully qualified swimming instructors. The students will be transported to and from the Pool by bus each day. Please ensure your child comes to school in their bathers with their school uniform over the top, has a towel and has all their underwear etc. in their bag to change into once the lesson has finished.

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**BREAKFAST CLUB** ....

Another great breakfast is planned for next Wednesday, so why not join your friends and other students at 8.00 a.m. Wednesday morning. $5 for a family or $3 per student. Great start for those who are going swimming

.......... Surprise menu next week.
Southern Cross student's went to Sydney Pargetter Reserve in Endeavour Hills on the 21st of May for the District Cross Country. S.C.P.S competed against schools such as Hallam P.S, St Paul Apostle North, St Paul Apostle South, Chalcot Lodge P.S and Doveton College. It was a fantastic day and the sun was out. There were 51 students from grade 3 to grade 6 competing in both the girls and boy sections where each student gave their best. Some students even competed in age groups higher than their age and did exceptionally well.

On Monday the 19\textsuperscript{th} of May the grade 1/2s all went on an excursion to the Casey Safety Village. This term our Integrated Studies topic is Transport and our activities on the day fitted in perfectly. The students were split into 2 groups and each group had a turn in the mini town where they rode bikes and were pedestrians, and had a turn in the fire safety house. We had a delicious lunch at the park before heading back to school. Students, staff and parent helpers all had a great day.
On Tuesday, 27th May there will be a **FREE** Cybersmart presentation held by ACMA. This presentation is to educate all parents from the dangers their children can have by using modern day technology, this being (computers, laptops, tablets, I-pads, phones, DS etc.)

The presentation will be held in the new hall and will go for 45mins from 9am-9.45am. It is a beneficial tool for all parents to have to keep their children safe whilst on the internet.

A notice was sent home yesterday with all students containing more information.