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.

**Dates for your diary**

**June**
6th Friday  Curriculum Day – **NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**  
9th Monday  Queens Birthday Holiday  **NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**  
10th Tuesday  Swimming  
11th Wednesday  Swimming  
17th Tuesday  Grade 5 & 6 Shrine Excursion  
18th Wednesday  School Council at 3.45 p.m.  
27th Friday  Term 2 finishes at 2.30 p.m.

Swimmers please remember to have all your needs for swimming again on Tuesday morning.

In the last couple of weeks we have had to send a few children home as they have come to school unwell. Could parents please keep their child/ren home if they are unwell in the morning to stop spreading colds etc to others.

**SCPS School Assembly**

Next fortnightly assembly will be held **MONDAY, 16th June, 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.

- Pale Blue or White  General Notices  
- Orange  Important Messages  
- Gold  Excursion Incursion  
- Bright Pink  Fundraising

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Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome to the news this week.

Swimming

The students who have been attending swimming are having a wonderful time as they learn new life saving skills and strategies that will keep them safe around water. Today was a very important day when they had to enter the water in their pyjamas to enable them to learn how to cope in water in clothing. On all accounts this went very well.

Unfortunately our swimming program was cancelled on Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd June as we were advised by the Swimming Centre that the pool had emptied over the weekend. To compensate for this, the swimmers will be going next week on Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th June.

I wish all of the students luck as they complete this essential life skill opportunity.

Curriculum Day and Public Holiday

This Friday 6th June, is a student free Curriculum Day. Please remember there is a Public holiday on Monday 9th June. No students are required at School on either of these days. Swimmers will need to remember their swimming bags for Tuesday 10th June.

School Review

We are currently undertaking our four year school review. An independent reviewer has been engaged by the school to complete the report on our student and teacher outcomes. This is a very involved and thorough process that the DEECD expects all schools to complete every four years as part of the assessment of our Four Year Strategic Plan and our Yearly Annual Implementation Plans. All staff individual performance plans are linked to these documents and they are assessed using a rigorous procedure that takes into account all of the student achievement tracking and data on teaching and learning that is carried out continuously across the school. It is a long process that will be completed by a review panel early next term. If you would like to chat with me in more detail about this process you are welcome to make an appointment at a mutually convenient time.

Have a healthy and happy week ahead,

Averil Nunn – Principal.

Once again our school is participating in this wonderful raffle in partnership with Victorian schools and Scouts Victoria. So we hope your family will get on-board and start selling as many raffle tickets as you can – the more tickets you sell, the closer we get to raising the funds required for fantastic school equipment.

All money raised, plus ticket stubs and unsold tickets must be returned to school by Friday, 1st August.

The winners will be announced on 19th September 2014.

There will be a prize for the highest ticket seller.
Southern Cross Primary School was very excited to welcome Sam from the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) on May 27, who held 2 information sessions in our new hall. First the parents learned all about how to keep their children safe on the internet and then the Grades 3-6s enjoyed learning about ways to keep themselves safe on the internet. The sessions were very interesting and informative and there has been an abundance of positive feedback from all involved in these wonderful sessions.

At the eSmart presentation, I learned that you should never ever speak to a stranger or person who you don’t know on the internet. For your password, choose something that has numbers and letters. ‘Kik’ is a very dangerous website for kids in this school. Getting an adult in this situation is a good choice. They’re not telling us to stop using the internet. No, no and no! They’re just helping us to be safer in the internet.

Melina Kalupahana 3/4B

On Tuesday 27th of May Sam came to our school to tell us about cyberbullying and people that can pretend to be a little 15 year old boy but is really a 50 year old man. People can trick you so they can have your phone number, where you live, email address, date of birth and your name.

Riley Stewart 3/4A

On Tuesday the 27th of May we went to the new hall to learn how to be safe on the internet. We meet a lady called Sam who told us how to be safe on the internet by never messaging someone you don’t know, don’t tell anyone your password, don’t use passwords like 123abc and other passwords that are easy to guess and don’t tell anyone your birthday. Over it was fun and interesting.

Yintong Hu 3/4B

Today the grade 3’s to 6’s had an AMAZING lady named Sam come to our school. Sam talked about what the easiest passwords were and how long it would take to discover them. At first I thought that I would not learn much but at the end I was SUPER glad that I went to the program. Sam showed us a WONDERFUL clip on CYBER BULLING.

Marie Evans 3/4A
Maramba Netball Club will once again be offering an exciting Net Set Go! Junior Netball Program in the second half of 2014. Maramba Netball Club is looking for young enthusiastic children to join our Net Set Go! Team. Net Set Go! is a fun and exciting program that introduces children to netball and teaches them basic netball skills in a safe and friendly environment. This is a great opportunity for children to meet new friends whilst being taught fun netball skills each week by qualified coaches. Net Set Go! is available for children aged 5-10 years.

COST: $95- for season (terms 3 & 4= season ) includes netball and t-shirt for each child. Price also includes Netball Victoria participation fee for each child.
DAY: Tuesday afternoons
WHERE: Maramba Primary School Gymnasium, Josephine Avenue Narre Warren 3805

This is a great opportunity for children to experience the great sport of netball. If you are interested in registering please contact Melissa( Net Set Go Co-ordinator on 0425862495 or email melissaallen04@gmail.com)