Whole school swimming classes will be held in Term 4. Wednesday 2nd November to Friday 11th November, 2016. Forms sent home this week. $80 per student.

Dates for your diary

September
16th Friday Last day of Term 3
School finishes 2.30pm

October
3rd Monday First day of Term 4
School commences 9.00am
12th Wednesday 2017 Foundation student
Transition Program begins – 2.30pm
18th Tuesday School Council – 3.45pm
19th Wednesday 2017 Foundation student
Transition Program – 2.30pm
26th Wednesday 2017 Foundation student
Transition Program – 2.30pm

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Important Information

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

For Your Information

Items sent home will generally be colour coded.

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.

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

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Dear Parents and Friends,

As the school holidays are approaching, you may have plans to travel on Victoria’s roads. Significant rain is expected to fall over much of Victoria over the next few days, which may result in flooding.

Because of this rainfall, there is an increased risk to those travelling on our roads, and it is possible that houses across the State may be impacted as well.

I urge you to heed the following advice from emergency services:

- You should never drive through floodwater – it only takes about 15 centimetres of water to lose control of your vehicle.
- Drive to the conditions around you and be aware of road hazards such as mud, debris, damaged roads and bridges.
- Roads in your area could be damaged by the bad weather so plan your journey and monitor Vic Traffic for road condition updates and any road closures, see: Vic Traffic
- Never swim, walk or play in floodwater, it is dangerous and may contain hazardous debris or toxins.
- If your property is at risk of flooding, please raise belongings onto tables, benches or beds and if you are on a farm, consider moving your livestock to higher ground.
- Remain informed with emergency broadcasters to ensure you are up-to-date with the latest conditions and if possible, make sure your neighbours are aware of the situation. For more information, see: Vic Emergency

**Swimming**

Don’t forget to return swimming notices and payments which can be on a plan if you wish. Swimming will commence in Term 4 from Wednesday 2nd November to Friday 11th November daily. The students will travel by bus to Oasis Swimming Centre in Danednong. The cost is $80 per student. I can’t stress enough the importance of children learning to swim to keep them safe around water.

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday break everyone.

Averil Nunn
Principal
Last Thursday the 8th of September our schools ‘I sea, I care ambassadors (Hayley, Hale and Daniel) went to Warneet to complete a workshop based on the coastal area. Students learnt about the indigenous culture within Warneet and afar, as well as living things from the past (fossils etc.) that were situated throughout the coast.

From the material learnt, ambassadors will be taking a TRIBE’s session next term, implementing how to sustain a healthy, clean and safe environment.

Students of Southern Cross Primary, participated in an eSmart week. The week consisted of a range of activities taken place in classes with classroom teachers and students were reminded of safety whilst using technology. Activities ranged from making an eSmart hero with a slogan to represent the safe school policy, quizzes and reading fun/engaging material to reiterate appropriate online use. Students enjoyed the activities placed throughout the week and the implementation helped sustain our schools eSmart policy.
Dear SCPS Community,

**CHaTS Group** is hosting a **BAKE SALE** on **Wednesday, 26th October** at school during recess and lunch breaks.

This is another great opportunity for our school community to gather together and support our mums who endeavour to provide our students with some treats at a very low price.

Please be mindful of this date and everything sold on the day ranges from 50c to $2.00. You might like to encourage and help your child to save up for this day.

If you would like to donate either home baked food items or ready-made ones, you are most welcome to do so.

Your kind and generous gesture is highly appreciated.

Kind Regards,

Mrs. Singh
Leadership
Co-ordinator CHaTS Group.