An inspiring community where the students shine!

Southern Cross Primary School

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.

Mission Statement

PLANNING FOR 2015

Classroom planning for 2015 is currently being conducted. If any children at Southern Cross PS this year will not be returning in 2015, could you please let the Office know as soon as possible.

If you know of any of children in your area, or any siblings, of school age who would be coming to Southern Cross PS next year, please let us know as soon as possible.

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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.

December 2014

2nd Tuesday 2015 Foundation Orientation 2.30–3.30p.m.
4th Thursday Twilight Sports 5.00 - 7.00pm
11th Thursday Grade 5/6 Gravity Zone Excursion
15th Monday Prep – Gr 2 & selected Gr 5’s Taskworks Excursion
16th Tuesday Grade 6 Graduation 7.00pm
19th Friday Last Day of School for 2014
(Children may be collected from classrooms at 1.30pm or children dismissed at 2.30pm)

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
Monday 8th December, 3.00pm

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

Welcome to the news this week.

**Pyjama Day**
Woo hoo! What a wonderful day we have all had. It all started with a sensational breakfast spread of all sorts of yummy food. Everyone could choose from eggs, sausages, toast, pancakes, icecream and all sorts of spreads. It was such a delight to see so many happy faces on our children. This day is always a lovely friendly sharing day when the children really get to enjoy having a shared breakfast similar to the enjoyment we all have when we share lunch on Harmony Day. Thank you to all of the staff and students who worked so hard to make this breakfast event such an amazing success.

**I Sea I Care**
Our four student ambassadors for the ‘I Sea I Care’ program had a wonderful day on Tuesday when the visited Westernport Bay and took a boat ride out to seal rocks as part of their learning about looking after the habitat in the bays. These four students will have further experiences next year which will equip them with the knowledge to come back and inform their student peers. Thank you to Zion, Tiana, Esham and Yusef for taking on the responsibility of representing Southern Cross Primary School in this role.

**Arabic Language**
Currently we are investigating the provision of teaching the Arabic language as part of our curriculum in 2015. This class would run concurrently with French and children who are interested would be considered for a placement. I will keep you informed as we finalise this opportunity for 2015.

I wish you a happy and healthy week ahead,

Averil Nunn – Principal.

**Hats - Term 4**
As the hot weather has arrived, please ensure that your child/ren have a School hat to wear. These can be purchased from the office for $5.00.

**Term Dates 2015**

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Twilight Sports will be held on December 4th 5pm – 7 pm (weather permitting). There will be a sausage sizzle, chocolates, soft drinks and water available on the night. Activities on the night will include sack, egg and spoon, relays and three legged races.

The following Grade 5 students will be holding a stall on Twilight Sports evening, Tala, Dana, Yasmin, Paris and Safaa. They will be painting children’s nails and will be selling loom bands and other products. Everything will be under $2 and the money raised will go towards purchasing reading kits for the classrooms.

Please come along and join in the fun!!

2015 Foundation Students

Each year the Department gives every Foundation student at a Victorian government school a library bag packed with goodies to make the start of school a little easier. In 2015, things will be a little bit different. The Department has partnered with Melbourne bag-maker Crumpler to provide an exciting new library bag for 2015, specially designed for Foundation students.
I wanted to be part of I Sea, I Care so I could learn about the world. On Tuesday, 25th November, we drove out to Stony Point. We jumped on a big boat that took us around Western port. My favourite part was when the boat rocked up and down because of the big waves.

Zion 5/6A

I had a great experience at I Sea, I Care in Western Port on the boat. My favourite part of being on the boat was rocking; it felt like jumping on a trampoline. I learned some things about the marine life and I am looking forward to learning more next year.

Tiana 5/6A