Welcome to week 6.

The children have had a very busy few weeks with a jam packed curriculum and loads of fun things going on in class. Students have been flourishing with learning the recorder, although they still need reminding not to be puffer fish and only blow softly. The 3-6 children have been exploring gold and the history behind it. We are looking forward to delving into the gold rush history this term and maybe even going fossicking ourselves. The K-2 children have been very engaged in our new Bounce Back Resilience program. They have been learning all about responsibility and honesty, supporting others and respect. The students are certainly enjoying the split days and Mrs Scott and I are thoroughly enjoying the new challenges we can set with the smaller groups.

Excursions are an integral part of the school curriculum. It gives students an exposure to sights, lessons, artefacts, sports or activities that they may not have the opportunity to receive. This year the staff are busy planning various curricular excursions that will go along with our classroom units of work and student interests. This year our major school excursion is to our Nation’s Capital- Canberra. This excursion will take place at the end of term three and will be a five day excursion. We are happy for parents to come along; however we do not want anyone to feel pressured to come. Like every overnight excursion, we do however need one dad to come along. More details to come including an expression of interest in the following weeks.

**Life Education**
Please ensure all notes and money are return to school no later than Friday this week. Late lunch orders will not be accepted. Please note on this day there will be no parent parking in the school grounds. All parents are asked to park outside the gate.

**Tuckshop**
Please ensure that if your child is ordering jelly for lunch Friday that orders are in at school Thursday morning.

**Dates for your Calendar**
10th March – Life Education @ Belltrees
14th March – Aboriginal day @ Murrurundi
15th March – Book Club Due
16th-18th March – Kia-Ora Music Camp
Sport
After much scouting about, we have finally found a cricket coach for this term. Issac and Kirsten Smith from Scone are going to be teaching the students every Thursday for the remainder of the school term. Kirsten has been extremely successful in her chosen sport and has played in the Under 18’s Women’s Australian team. Issac also comes along with a wealth of knowledge having been strongly involved in Scone Junior Cricket Association for many years. To have coaches of this calibre is extremely exciting and the children will be learning from some of the best.

Sports uniform Thursday from now until the end of term!!!

P & C News
Raffle winners: the Belltrees P & C Association held a raffle at the recent Moonan Campdraft and the results were as follows.

1st: Simon Deery (Melanies Jewellers)
2nd: Annette Barnett (Chocolate and Moss)
3rd: John Singleton (Jack Teague Metal Designs)
4th: Bruce Tilse (Champagne)

Thank you to all who supported the P & C Valentine’s Day Raffle.

Please ensure that all pie orders for Moonan Flat Toybox are received by this Thursday. A good time to fill up your freezers!

Scone and District netball registrations are now open
All registrations are online only this year and close on 10/03/16
Go to our website: sconena.nsw.netball.com.au and follow the rego links.