



Southern Cross
SCHOOL OF DISTANCE EDUCATION

School Newsletter



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31 October 2024

Term 4 Week 3

The HSC exams have started, and we wish our students all the best. Remember to keep revising and use past papers to prepare. With 7 weeks until the Christmas break, please encourage students to engage in their learning programs, speak with teachers and complete assessments.

We recommend one learning activity per subject each week. Live lessons are a great way to connect with teachers and classmates, so please make the most of them.

For any concerns or suggestions, feel free to contact your teacher—we're here to support your child's learning.



Coming Up

- 18-27 October
Children's Week
- **31 OCTOBER**
HALLOWEEN



- 1 November 2024
Last day of HSC exams
- Presentation Day
10 December 2024

Children's Week
Friday 18 – Sunday 27 October
2024



The Children's Week National Theme for 2024 is:
Children have the right to a clean and safe environment.

Children are Australia's greatest natural resource.



Primary News

Primary students have settled back into their learning routines for English and Maths for Term 4. They have been enjoying daily lessons with their teachers and peers

The Big Idea focus for the first five weeks is Earth Sciences:

What did one earthquake say to another?

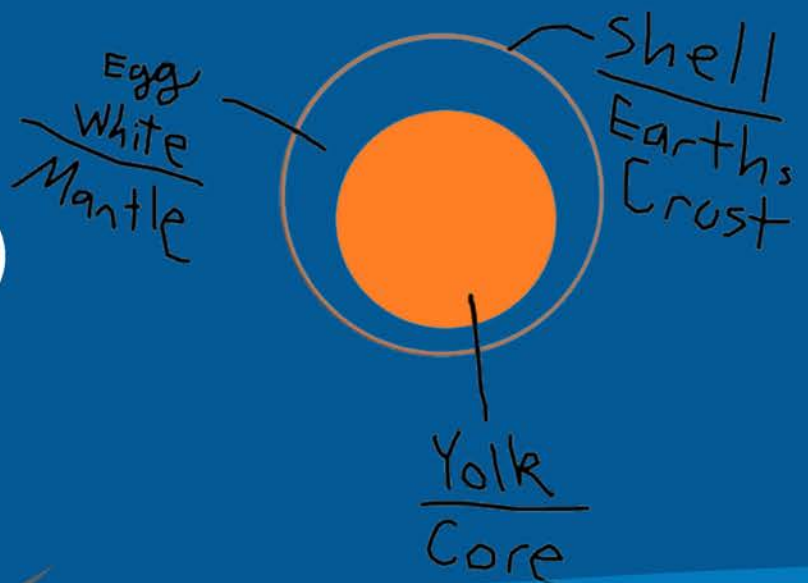
You really crack me up!

· Early Stage 1: Rainbow Serpent (environmental changes)

· Stage 1: Water Works

· Stage 2: Beneath our feet. Soils and Landscapes

· Stage 3: Earthquake Explorers



BALLINA

headspace is expanding!



Hello,

We are pleased to announce that headspace services are expanding!

headspace Ballina will be opening its doors in early December, enhancing the support available to young people in Ballina and the surrounding areas.

Holistic support for young people

For the past two years, headspace Lismore has extended its outreach services to Ballina. Now, Ballina is set to benefit from its own dedicated service centre. Our expanded services are designed to provide more comprehensive, holistic support tailored to the needs of young people. They can:

- drop in for a yarn with our Social and Emotional Wellbeing Worker,
- access counselling and therapeutic supports,
- connect with a Work and Study specialist,
- walk in or call the centre to chat with one of our counsellors, social workers or other mental health professionals.

We are here to ensure they receive the right support at the right time.

We're keen to work with you

As we refurbish our location at 32 Swift Street, we are eager to connect with you and your organisation. We would love to learn more about your work and share information about our referral pathways and services.

Your voice matters

Additionally, we are seeking passionate leaders to join our consortium advisory committee, which will serve the Lismore and Ballina regions.

Connect with us

If you are interested in collaborating with us or would like to join the committee, please reach out to Sim Balzer, Senior Manager headspace at simone.balzer@socialfutures.org.au or call [02 66 250200](tel:0266250200).

We look forward to building stronger connections and working closely with you to support the young people in our community.



headspace is funded by Healthy North Coast.

CAPA NEWS



It is with great pleasure that we bring you this edition of the newsletter, showcasing a selection of our students' gifts and talents from the Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) faculty for 2024.

Our vibrant and diverse CAPA program invites students to explore their creativity across various disciplines, fostering both artistic expression and skill development. We cater for full-time and Single Course students. We offer Dance, Drama, Music, Photography and Digital Media, Video, Visual Arts and Visual Design.

Our CAPA faculty is dedicated to cultivating high-potential and gifted students, equipping them with the skills and knowledge for future creative industries. We look forward to sharing more of our students' exceptional work and achievements throughout the term!



Braeden Wallace Year 12

CAPA NEWS



Year 12

Bodies of
Work
for 2024



Body of Work 2024 Textiles and Fibre
Doxastic Suspension



Amelie Johnston

Sascha Worley

Body of Work 2024 Textiles and Fibre



Unveiling of Tara



Amelia Davis

Body of Work 2024 Painting
Muted Opulence



CAPA NEWS



Olive O'Reilly

Sasha Oxland



Jacob Fayers



HSC Music Students



Thomas Brosnan

Visual Design



CAPA

CONGRATULATIONS

CALLBACK NOMINATIONS

Congratulations to the following HSC Dance students who have received Callback nominations for their performances in the HSC Practical Dance Exam 2024.

- Frankie Miller (Byron Bay HS) – Nominated for Core Performance, Core Composition and Major Study Performance.
- Kayla Ross (Gosford HS) – Nominated for Core Performance and Major Study Performance.
- Emma McFarlane (Inverell HS) – Nominated for Core Performance and Major Study Performance.
- Laura Wilcher (Macquarie Anglican Grammar School Dubbo) – Nominated for Major Study Performance.

WOW! AMAZING RESULTS GIRLS





SOUTHERN CROSS SCHOOL
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2024

Presentation Day Assembly

7-12 Full time students

Save the date

10 December

11 AM

SCSoDE

2-40 Chickiba Drive East Ballina

Award recipients will be notified via
email prior to the date.

More information will be provided in
the coming weeks.



Calendar 2024

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Key dates

* Check with your school as starting and finishing dates may change.

Term start and end dates*

Term 1 (Eastern): 30 January to 12 April

Term 1 (Western): 6 February to 12 April

Term 2: 29 April to 5 July

Term 3: 22 July to 27 September

Term 4: 14 October to 20 December

School development days, students do not attend

Term 1 (Eastern): 30 January and 31 January

Term 1 (Western): 6 February and 7 February

Term 2: 29 April

Term 3: 22 July

Term 4: 19 December and 20 December

School vacation dates

Summer (Eastern): 20 December 2023 to 29 January 2024

Summer (Western): 20 December 2023 to 5 February 2024

Autumn: 15 April to 26 April

Winter: 8 July to 19 July

Spring: 30 September to 11 October

Summer (Eastern): 23 December 2024 to 30 January 2025

Summer (Western): 23 December 2024 to 6 February 2025

Public holidays



Scan me for key dates

Help your child get the most out of their school year and to explore our resources, education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers



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School zone speed limits apply on all school days, including school development days.

