

Singleton Heights Public School Newsletter

Term 4

Week 6

22 November 2018



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Principal's Report

School Fete Success

What a wonderful, fun community event we witnessed last Friday, with our annual school fete being a resounding success. The students were all so engaged in the many activities and events that were on offer, there were some wonderful moments of fun and success. I'm sure our students had a lot of takeaway memories from the day. It is always nice to see them get some revenge by dunking some of our teachers in the dunk tank! Thank you so much to our P&C President, Mrs Jo Wensley, and the amazing team of volunteers who supported our school community in so many ways, leading up to, and on the day of, the fete, to make the day a great success. Thank you to Mrs Carol Higgins, our canteen manager, for providing the wonderful catering on the day. Thumbs up to everyone involved.



Our Vision: POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS, HIGH EXPECTATIONS, AUTHENTIC LEARNING



Kinder Transition

The last of our Kinder transitions took place yesterday. I would like to thank all the parents and students for their support in making this transition successful. Thank you to our Kindergarten teachers, as well as Ms Rose, Mrs Faustini, and Mrs Rees, for providing the parents with valuable information about our school, and our education system, over the last three weeks of the transition. Thank you to our administrative staff, and Mrs Dagg for coordinating behind the scenes to ensure the smooth transition. If you are a parent of a child starting in Kindergarten in 2019, and you need to ask any questions, or get clarification about anything related to your child starting in 2019, please arrange an appointment with Ms Rose, Mrs Standen or Mr Graham.

Crazy Hair Day

Next Thursday, 29th November, Year 6 will be hosting a Crazy Hair Day. Students may donate a gold coin on the day, to come to school with crazy, mixed up, colourful and/or messy hair. All donations will go towards the Year 6 farewell, which will be held on Thursday, 13th December. It's a normal school uniform day.



Volunteers Morning Tea

Our school will be thanking our wonderful school volunteers on Friday, 14th December, with a special morning tea in the school library. Invitations are being sent out to our volunteers. Please RSVP for catering purposes. We hope you are able to come along and celebrate your contributions.

Assemblies for the remainder of the year

Today, our primary classes will receive the last of their class assembly awards for the year, at our Library recognition assembly. The next Primary assembly that will be held, will be the yearly Sports Award Assembly, on Tuesday, 11th December, and individual class awards will not go out at this bassembly. The next K-2 assembly will be held next Thursday, 29th November, and this will be the last K-2 assembly for the year.



Scripture Concert – Tuesday, 27th November

Our last Scripture lessons for 2018 will be in the form of our annual Christmas Scripture concert, which will be held in our school hall, over two separate performances. The K-2 Concert will be from 9:30-10am, and the Primary concert will be from 10:30-11am. I would like to personally thank all of our wonderful scripture teachers who volunteer their time to teach our students each Tuesday morning. Lots of hard work goes into preparing and teaching these lessons each week. I hope our wonderful scripture teachers have a great Christmas break!



Mari Principal's Lunch

I'm looking forward to hosting several students for lunch, on Friday 30th November, in recognition of receiving 15 Mari Awards since the inception of this award. Three students have recently achieved this milestone and I look forward to have a special lunch with at least 6 students next week. Each of these students have received a certificate and a special Mari badge for achieving this outstanding award.

Presentation Day 2018

Our annual Presentation Day will be held on Wednesday, 5th December, at the Singleton Civic Centre. The K-2 Presentation Day will take place from 10am and the Primary Presentation Day will be from 12:30pm. Students will be catching the bus to and from the Civic Centre on the day, at no cost. If your child is in the school band, Aboriginal Culture group choir or a dance group, they will be at the Civic Centre all day. Notes will be sent out on Monday, 26th November.



Staffing

The school's merit selection panel will be interviewing for the permanent position of a classroom teacher, replacing Mr Collins, on Friday. The successful applicant will begin duties on Day 1 of 2019.



Professional Learning

Mrs Rees, Ms Rose and I have been attending Growth Coaching professional learning this week. This professional learning is valuable in developing and building the capacity of staff and students through a coaching approach. I would like to thank our wonderful executive and aspiring executive staff for their support during these days.

Many of our teachers have been released from classroom duties over the past few weeks to conduct one on one assessments with their students, to be able to accurately provide information to parents about their child's progress in 2018.

Year 5 Student Leadership speeches

We have over twenty Year 5 students nominated to present a speech for the chance to be voted in as a Captain or Prefect for 2019. These speeches will be presented to students in Years 2 to 5, on Monday, 26th November (boys) and Tuesday, 27th November (girls), from 11:35am on both days. Voting will take place on these days. The successful candidates will be announced on Presentation Day. We wish you all the best for success in your leadership journey, boys and girls.



Community Ideas Group Meeting

There will be a Community Ideas group meeting on Thursday, 6th December, from 1:10pm, in the school library. Please come along and contribute your ideas about what we can keep, tweak and chuck, in terms of community engagement, in 2019. We will also be looking at the results of our Tell Them From Me parent surveys that were conducted late last term. This will provide us with guidance as to what we can maintain, and work better at, in terms of what our parents have said.

Student Academic Reports

Students will receive their academic reports on Monday, 17th December. This is the last week of school for 2018, and students will have their last day on Wednesday, 19th December. Information about class parties will be provided closer to the date.



Mari with 1/2W



Dates to Remember Calendar

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
26/11	27/11 Christmas Scripture service	28/11	29/11 Crazy Hair Day	30/11
3/12	4/12 Year 6 High School Orientation	5/12 Presentation Day	6/12	7/12
10/12	11/12	12/12 PBL Rewards Day	13/12 Year 6 Farewell	14/12 Band Concert Volunteers Morning Tea –Library
17/12	18/12 School Carols 5:45PM	19/12 Students Last Day	20/12	21/12

CANTEEN NEWS



We have survived fete day and what a day that was. Congratulations to the fete team for a job well done. Very well organised, lots of stalls and happy excited students. What more could we ask for.

As always there are things we can improve on so we will try again next year. In the canteen we could not have succeeded as we have without our wonderful volunteers. Thank you to each and every one of you for everything that we have achieved.

Presentation Day is December 5th. Our menu has been drawn up to get approval.

The countdown is on towards the end of term/year that we need to be one step ahead all the time.

Bring on Christmas.



CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM 4 Week 7 Canteen Hours MONDAY—FRIDAY 9.00—1.50 pm

MON 26/11	TUE 27/11	WED 28/11	THU 29/11	FRI 30/11
Jenny	Jenny	Jenny	Danielle / Rebecca	Jenny



Students progressing to Year 3 and 7 **do not need to re-apply if they:**

- ♦ are continuing at the same school
- ♦ are residing at the same address
- ♦ Have not been sent an expiry notification from Transport NSW.

Where a student meets the new distance eligibility, the system will automatically update their entitlement. If they do not meet the new eligibility, they will receive an expiry notification.

If students need to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails/>

Applications need to be submitted **before 31 December 2018** to ensure student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card is not cancelled.

Students in the opal network applying for a SSTS or Term Bus Pass entitlement for the first time will receive their card at the nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out during December 2018 and January 2019.

PBL Assembly Awards K-2



Class	Student
KA	Bayden R
KL	Jezel H
KM	Breeana B
KS	Matthew K
1A	Bella M
1F	Chelsea S
1K	Irfan M
1/2W	Mikayla M
2A	Jan R
2B	Tray C
2H	Chaston S
2/3C	Ellie B

Good for Kids good for life

CHOOSE WATER as a drink

Water is the best drink as it does not have any added sugar. Fruit juices, soft drink, sports drinks or cordials should not be given to your child everyday as they contain a lot of added sugar. Tap water is the best choice. In most areas, tap water contains fluoride, which helps children to develop strong teeth.



GIVING BLOOD FEELS GOOD

Every donation can save three lives.

Mobile Blood Service visiting: Singleton

Singleton Square, 1 Gowrie Street

Whole Blood and Plasma

Monday 26 November	9.30am – 3.00pm
Tuesday 27 November	1.00pm – 6.30pm
Wednesday 28 November	1.00pm – 6.30pm
Thursday 29 November	1.00pm – 6.30pm
Friday 30 November	9.30am – 3.00pm

Drink up! Have 3 or 4 glasses of water or juice in the hours before you donate
Eat! Have a good sized breakfast or lunch
 Please bring photo I.D. with you

To make an appointment call 13 14 95
 or visit donateblood.com.au



BREAKFAST CLUB

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

All students welcome



COLES
Singleton

For supporting our Breakfast Club

If you have plans to leave at the end of the year, please notify the office.



Uniform Shop Opening Times

Monday 8:45 - 9:30 am
 Wednesday 2:45 - 3:30pm
 Friday 8:45 - 9:30 am

eye examinations by a Behavioural OPTOMETRIST specialising in children

5/71 Maitland Street
BRANXTON

4938 1117

Bulk Billed



Witmore Christmas Party Open Day

Join us to celebrate
the accomplishments
of the year

Witmore Enterprises

45 Magpie Street, Singleton

Wednesday 5th December

10.30am start

12.00pm BBQ Lunch

RSVP on 6572 2578 or email

admin@witmore.org.au

Can You Help ?

We are collecting lids and bottle caps of all shapes and sizes. Please drop off to the office.

