

# Singleton Heights Public School Newsletter

Term 4

Week 1

17 October 2019



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## *Principal's Report*

I would like to send out a warm welcome back to school, to all our students, staff and families, and thank you for a great start to Term 4. This week, our classes are focusing on learning about two more Wellbeing Character Strengths, ZEST and CURIOSITY. It is quite evident that we have lots of zesty, curious students that have come back refreshed and ready to learn.

We have a lot of activity happening this term and there are several events coming up in the next couple of weeks that families will need to be aware of. Read on for more information.

### **Combined primary band rehearsal**

Next Friday, several local school bands will be visiting our school to prepare for the Singleton Town Band Concert. Our school band students will be involved in this throughout most of the day. The visiting schools will be using our school hall on the day and be visiting our playground for recess.



### **Splash and Dash**

Our school Colour Run (Splash and Dash) is fast approaching. It will be held on Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> November, from 2pm. There are a few items that you need to think about prior to this day. You will need to register your child on the colour run portal, to be able to collect fundraising amounts from family and friends (you are also able to collect cash, but it's easier to track your funds on the portal).

We are asking for donations of 1.25L plastic bottles, to use for the colour run. Please bring these in to the school canteen for collection.

On the day, students will be able to wear mufti clothes. We are suggesting they wear a white shirt to school, to participate in the Splash and Dash, and then have a spare shirt to change into, for the afternoon and the trip home. This is particularly important for students travelling on a bus. Students will also need to bring a towel.

This information will hopefully help you get your children organised to have a great day.

Parent volunteers are being sought for help with the P&C, in the canteen, helping sell merchandise and helping on a colour run stations and obstacle course set up. Please let the school know if you are able to volunteer some time on Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> November.



### **Grandparent's week**

The school will host Grandparent's Week in Week 3 this term, culminating in the Splash and Dash on Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> November. Throughout the week, the school has many curriculum activities that we would like to invite grandparents along to. A timetable is attached for grandparents to pick and choose when they might like to come and visit the school. On the Friday, before the Splash and Dash, parents and grandparents are invited to come along from 12:40pm. You can check out some of the memorabilia that the P&C have to sell, for our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, purchase some afternoon 'high tea' from our canteen and then have a picnic lunch with the students, at 1:10pm. The Splash and Dash will then commence at 2pm on the back oval.

**Our Vision:** POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS, HIGH EXPECTATIONS, AUTHENTIC LEARNING

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:10-10:10					Band and lesson rehearsals
10:10-11:10		Kinder singing and dancing 10:20-11:10 – School hall	Year 5 and 6 Sport	Year 3 and 4 Sport	Band and lesson rehearsals
RECESS					
11:35-12:35	1C, 1D, 1K, 1/2W – Singing 11:35-12:05 – School Hall		1C, 1D, 1K, 1/2W – Dancing 11:35-12:05 – School Hall		Band and lesson rehearsals
12:35-1:10				Infants Assembly – 12:30	Band and lesson rehearsals
LUNCH	Infants' Dance Group 1:20	Year 3 to 6 Selected students' Netball games			GRANDPARENTS AND FAMILIES PICNIC
2PM-3PM		Kitchen Kart			SPLASH AND DASH

### Singleton Army Museum Excursion

Our school has been able to get access to the Singleton Army Museum, for an excursion for students in Years 3 to 6, on Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> and Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> November, leading into our Remembrance Day ceremony on Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> November. Students in Years 3 and 4 will travel by bus on Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> November, from 9:15am, for a one and a half hour tour through the museum. Students in Years 5 and 6 will travel on Friday to the museum. The school is able to fund the cost of this excursion for all families. Permission notes will be sent home early next week.

### Kinder Orientation

Our 2020 Kindergarten student orientation days will begin on Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November and continue for the next two Wednesdays after this; Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> November. Students will participate in a variety of classroom curriculum activities on these days, while parents have an opportunity to visit workshops in the school hall and library during these visits. If you know of any families in Singleton Heights who have a child starting Kindergarten in 2020, and they have not registered to attend, please let them know to do so ASAP.



### P&C Ideas

The school P&C have recently funded a garden refurbishment in the canteen area, to provide a space to grow fruit and vegetable produce to supply the canteen. This area is now a productive and aesthetically pleasing space for our canteen and community. Four more new picnic tables have also been purchased to provide seating space for the students in the main COLA area. The P&C have also been successful in securing a \$14000 grant from Glencore, to pay for the Stage 2 artificial grass area. More artificial grass is going to be funded by the P&C, in other areas of need in the school in the near future. These purchased are due, in part, to the funds raised from our anniversary fete.

### Community Ideas Group meetings

I am planning on running two Community Ideas Group meetings on Thursday of Week 5 and 6, 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> November, from 1:10pm, in the school library. At this meeting I will share the parent responses to our Tell Them From Me surveys, as well as ask for feedback about the great things we are doing at the school and areas for improvement across the school. All community members are welcome to attend. Tea, coffee and afternoon tea will be supplied.

### AFL Afterschool AUSKICK

This term AFL NSW staff will be running an afterschool Auskick program at our school. This program will be held in the school grounds from 3:20pm, starting on Tuesday 29th October. Notes will be sent home regarding this early next week.



### Girls Touch Footy

Our amazing girl's Touch Footy team will play in the Hunter PSSA Grand Final next Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> October, at Newcastle touch fields. This has been an amazing achievement from our girls team, and the coach, Mr Orr. We wish them all the very best for a successful trip to Newcastle. Go Girls!

### 2019 School Magazine – 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary edition

Our annual school magazine is now available for sale at the school office. We will also have it for sale during grandparents week in Week 3, and throughout the term, at our Presentation Day on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> December and at our Carols on the Green, Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December. Cost for the magazine is \$10.

### School Banking survey

The Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) recently announced that it's seeking the public's views of school banking programs to help inform its review. ASIC would like to hear from you the parents and staff. You can do this online by answering ASIC's short survey and providing any other feedback.

Simply visit <https://consultation.asic.gov.au/financial-capability/review-school-banking-programs/>



## *Dates to Remember Calendar*

21/10	22/10	23/10	24/10	25/10
28/10	29/10	30/10	31/10	1/11 Splash and Dash Grandparents/
4/11 Childrens' University	5/11	6/11 Kindergarten Orientation	7/11	8/11
11/11 Remembrance Day	12/11	13/11 Kindergarten Orientation	14/11	15/11

### CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 4 Week 2

MON 21/10	TUE 22/10	WED 23/10	THUR 24/10	FRI 25/10
Jenny / Rebecca	Jenny / Liz	Jenny / Tamie	Jenny / Liz	Jenny / Kathy / Julie

## Kindergarten Orientation Day



Our Kindergarten Orientation days will be held on Wednesday 6th, 13th and 20th November. From 9:30 – 11:00 am

## Mobile phones



If students bring mobile phones to school, they need to be handed in to the office in the morning for collection at the end of the school day.

**THANK YOU**  
for Supporting our  
**Breakfast Club**



## Canteen News

Welcome back to everyone, we are looking forward to a busy last term for 2019.

Main points of notice this week is we are now on the summer menu

The slushy machine has been repaired and is back in action.

We will still be having milkshakes all term, flavours include vanilla, blue heaven, caramel, banana and lime.

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## Cystic Fibrosis Fundraiser Ladies Weekend

23rd & 24th November 2019

BRING YOUR FRIENDS ALONG TO A GIRLS WEEKEND FULL OF DISCOUNT SHOPPING AT SYDNEY'S GREATEST FACTORY OUTLETS WHILE RAISING MUCH NEEDED FUNDS FOR A FANTASTIC CAUSE

### INCLUDES:

- BUS FARE
- ACCOMMODATION
- SATURDAY MORNING TEA
- SATURDAY LUNCH
- SUNDAY BREAKFAST
- FABULOUS TIME (FREE)

**COST: \$290.00 PER PERSON**

TO BOOK YOUR SPOT A \$50 DEPOSIT IS REQUIRED. THIS DEPOSIT IS NOT REFUNDABLE

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT ALEESHA 0408724930

**15  
Days  
TO GO!**



### STEP 1

Create your online profile page by going to [schoolfundraising.com.au](http://schoolfundraising.com.au)

### STEP 2

Personalise your Profile Page by selecting an Avatar and setting a goal prize.

### STEP 3

Share your online fundraising link through social media, email and text or collect cash donations.