

Singleton Heights Public School Newsletter

Term 4

Week 5

14 November 2019



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Principal's Report

We have had quite a surreal and sometimes worrying week, with varying extremes in weather conditions and many fires across New South Wales that have affected how your family, and indeed our school, operates over a normal week. We have several staff members who have had to make alternative arrangements this week, for family and personal reasons, so I thank you for your understanding and patience with these adjustments and disruptions. Let's hope that some rain will bring reprieve sometime soon. In the meantime, our school continues to be a busy, productive place for student learning!

Remembrance Day ceremony

Remembrance Day at SHPS is always a memorable occasion and I would like to thank all of those people involved in organising the day, and for attending our service on Monday morning. Mrs Claire Daubeney, our Defence School Transition Mentor, organised a wonderful event, an experience that the children will remember for a long time to come. The school was lucky enough to have a catafalque party (guards that stand watch over a memorial or cenotaph during wartime commemorations) attend from Singleton Army base, to commemorate the event. Thank you to Sergeant Craig Baker for attending our event and talking to the students about Remembrance Day. Also, thank you to the choir and the school band, and their respective teachers, for performing during the morning and well done to the students on their exceptional behaviour.



Local pantomime excursion for Year 6

Year 6 students will be travelling to Singleton Public School to view their latest pantomime production next Wednesday, 20th November. Students in Year 6 will be leaving school at 9:15am and returning by 11:15am. There is no cost to students for this excursion.

P&C Meeting

The last P&C meeting for 2019 will be held next Tuesday, 19th November, from 6pm in the school staff room. There will be many items for discussion, including the many projects that are in the pipeline for the school grounds, that the P&C may commit funds to, into the new year. It would also be nice to come along and celebrate the successes of 2019. You do not need to be a member to attend.

Our Vision: POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS, HIGH EXPECTATIONS, AUTHENTIC LEARNING

Stage 2 Wildlife Expo

Next Thursday and Friday, 21st and 22nd November, our Stage 2 classes will be showcasing their Term 4 projects, based on their learning experiences this term, with the essential question “How do we improve the animal habitats in our school to attract more wildlife?” On Thursday, they will be visiting each other’s classes, and donating coins to go towards the development of mini-habitats in our playground to attract more wildlife. On Friday, classes from all over the school will be able to visit the Stage 2 rooms to view the projects and make a donation. So gather up some spare coins for your child to make a donation next week. It will be exciting to see these mini-habitats come to life.

PBL Bingo and Mari Badge lunch

Our next round of PBL Bingo for all of our classes, will occur at 12:30pm on Friday, 29th November.

All classes will receive a bingo card, with a selection of Positive Behaviour for Learning values and behaviours. Our school leaders then randomly select from a number of these values/behaviours and read them out to all of the classes. When a class receives 5 in a row, they are crowned the PBL Bingo champions for the term!

The Mari Badge Principal’s Pizza lunch, for all students who have received a Mari badge this term, will be held on Friday, 13th December.

Year 6 High School Orientation

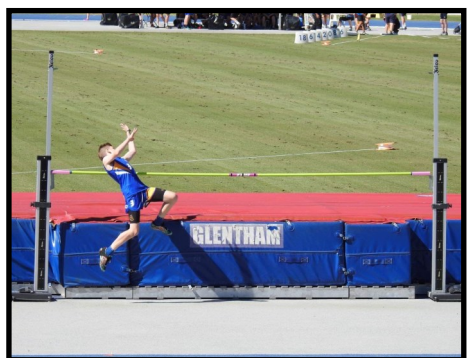
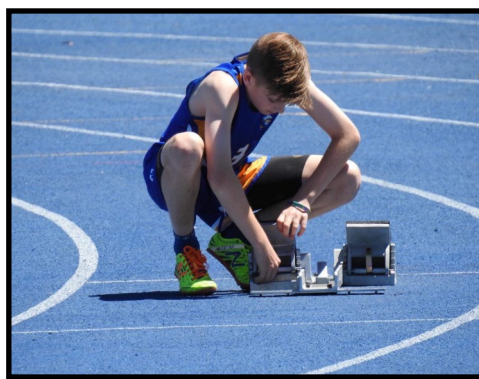
Our Year 6 students will have their full day High School Orientation Day on Tuesday, 3rd December. This is a state-wide date for High School orientations, so even if your child is not going to Singleton High School, I believe their alternative high school will have this date locked in as well.

Presentation Day

Our whole school Presentation Day is to be held on Wednesday, 4th December, at the Singleton Civic Centre. K-2 classes will attend the Presentation from approximately 10am-11:30am and then our 3-6 classes will attend from 12pm -2pm. All students will be bussed down to the Civic Centre. Our school band, choir and both our Aboriginal dance groups and Primary and Infants dance groups will be performing on the day as well. We hope you can come along and celebrate the successes of our students and school community.

State Athletics representation

Well done to our State representatives at the recent PSSA Athletics championships in Homebush. I do believe they enjoyed great personal success, while also representing the Hunter Region.



Dates to Remember Calendar

18/11	19/11	20/11 Kindergarten Orientation	21/11 Primary Assembly	22/11
25/11	26/11	27/11	28/11 Infants Assembly Community Ideas Group 1:20pm	29/11 PBL Bingo
2/12	3/12 High School Orientation	4/12 Presentation Day	5/12 Primary Assembly	6/12
9/12	10/12 SRE Assembly	11/12 Choir Elizabeth Gates 2pm	12/12 Year 6 Farewell PBL Rewards Day	13/12 Band Concert Mari Pizza Lunch

BREAKFAST CLUB NEEDS YOU! CAN YOU HELP IN 2020?

● **Grandparents** ● **Mums** ● **Dads**

Would you like something to look forward to each morning?

A chat and a laugh with some lovely people?

Ideally, we would LOVE some
Grandparents to help with the
8 – 8:40am start up.

Currently we have one grandparent
who would like some help and
company.

Mums & Dads are also welcome from
8:40am or earlier, if you can make it?

***Anyone with a current Working with
Children's Check is welcome.***

***If not, they are easy to apply for online
at***

***[https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/
child-safe-organisations/working-with-
children-check](https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check)***

Email Jo at singletonheightspandc@gmail.com if you are interested.

CESSNOCK DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE NETWORK

CESSNOCK WALKS KAWUMA

FREE
ENTERTAINMENT
FOOD & DRINK
SERVICE STALLS



A peaceful walk to raise awareness of the prevalence and impact of domestic and family violence within the Cessnock community.

WEAR WHITE TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!



PLAYA ON CASTLEMAINEST @ 10AM

WEDNESDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 2019
FIND US ON FACEBOOK | [cessnockwalkskawuma](#)

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 25 November	9.30am – 3.00pm
Tuesday 26 November	1.00pm – 6.30pm
Wednesday 27 November	1.00pm – 6.30pm
Thursday 28 November	1.00pm – 6.30pm
Friday 29 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](#)



Canteen News



This week has been very quiet although busy. Preparations have commenced for Presentation Day and Carols on the Green.

Please note that what is written on a lunch order bag is what is made so if an order has a chicken wrap written on it, the student will get a wrap with chicken on it.


School Banking

This weeks Gold award recipient is Tilly. Congratulations!!

Keep up the great work.

Just letting everyone know that the last week of banking this year will be 27/11/19. This gives us a few weeks to receive for the end of the year. If your child would like to order and is eligible to do so, order in the next few weeks so they aren't disappointed.

Happy Banking :)



CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 4 Week 6

MON 18/11	TUE 19/11	WED 20/11	THUR 21/11	FRI 22/11
Jenny / Rebecca	Jenny / Liz	Jenny / Tamie	Jenny / Liz	Jenny / Kathy / Julie