

Singleton Heights Public School Newsletter



Term 4

Week 6

21 November 2019



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Principal's Report

There is a real sense that we are coming to the 'business end' of the year right now, with academic reports being put together by your child's teacher, as well as our annual Presentation Day getting very close. We also have our Year 6 farewell, PBL Rewards Day, Mari Pizza Lunch with the Principal, Class Parties and all of our Christmas celebrations getting closer and closer.

I would just like to apologise that our library has had to close down for a few days this week, meaning that library lessons have been conducted in classrooms. We had a major leak from our fish tank over the weekend and we have had to air out and clean carpet in this area. The fish are still alive, thankfully. The students are very happy about this! Miss Hazelwood will now undertake the library stocktake next week, so library lessons will again be held in classrooms, and borrowing will now stop for the rest of the year. If you still have library books at home, please have your child return them as soon as possible.



Volunteer's Afternoon tea

We are sending out invitations to our awesome parent and community volunteers, to join us for afternoon tea on Friday, 6th December in the school library. Please come along so we can express our appreciation to you about how much we value your support in classrooms and across the school.

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.

Kindergarten Orientation completed

We have lots of wonderful children and families starting Kindergarten at SHPS in 2020. Ms Rose guided our parents through our classroom numeracy practices, and healthy lunchboxes yesterday, while our Year 5 students met their 2020 Kinder buddies, and had a little bit of morning tea with them. We look forward to this cohort starting next year.



Our Vision: POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS, HIGH EXPECTATIONS, AUTHENTIC LEARNING

Staff Movement

Melissa Walsh, one of our permanent staff members, who has been working in a higher duties role at another school, has received a transfer to that school for 2020 and beyond. That leaves a staff vacancy at our school, which we will hopefully be able to fill at some point in the new year.

PBL Bingo

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.



Character Strength Lessons

This week, our classes have been learning about the character strengths of Hope and Perseverance. Mrs Cox has created the beginnings of a Hope Tree in our playground. The idea is that the tree will become a symbolic place where individuals or class groups can go to think about the good things to come. eg. I hope we have fun on our school excursion. I hope my best friend feels better soon and returns to school. I hope we can attract more wildlife to our school.

The 'HOPE TREE' will be decorated with colour. Students are encouraged to knit, crochet, french knit, finger knit or weave, to make a square or rectangle and drop it off to 3C's classroom, to decorate the tree.

New artificial grass installation

The P&C are funding new artificial grass to be laid in several areas of our school playground. This will be laid at the end of Week 8, December 6th. This will really enhance the aesthetic appeal of our school, and allow students to play in areas that were otherwise dustbowls in the past.

Community Ideas group Meeting

On Thursday of Week 7, I will be hosting a Community Ideas Group meeting, where parents and community members can come along and share in our school's ideas and visions for next year and beyond. I would like to be able to allow attendees to express their opinions on the great things happening at our school, and areas for improvement, as well as any new ideas you might put forward, to improve the education of our students, your children

Assemblies

Our Primary assembly has been postponed this week, as it was scheduled to be a library awards assembly, but we have still not received our Premier's Reading Challenge awards.

The next assemblies will be as follows, to end the year:

Thursday, 28th November - K-2 Assembly 12:30pm in the hall

Wednesday, 4th December - Annual Presentation Day at Singleton Civic Centre

Thursday, 5th December - Primary Sports awards Assembly 12:20pm in the school hall

Wednesday, 11th December - Primary Library Assembly – 12:30 in the school hall. This will be the last assembly for the year.



Carols on the Green

Our annual class Christmas Carols concert will be held on Monday, 16th December, from 6pm on our front playground lawn. The P&C will have drinks and snacks available for purchase on the night, and we may even have a surprise visit from the man in the red and white suit!

Other important dates

The Year 6 farewell will be held in the school hall on Thursday, 12th December.

The Band Christmas Concert will be held on Friday, 13th December.

Class Parties will be held on Monday, 16th December.

Academic Reports will go home with students on Monday, 16th December.

The last day of Term 4 for students is Wednesday, 18th December.

Enjoy the rest of the week!



PBL Assembly Awards K-2



Class	Student
KA	Cailin Stocks
KM	Alexander M
KL	Ruby B
KS	Emmett M
1C	Amber D
1D	Joseph B
1K	Tilly B
1/2W	Jax I
2A	Jack T
2B	Delilah E
2H	Emily D

Uniform Shop Times Week 1 2020

Tuesday, 28th January 10am – 3pm
Wednesday, 29th January 8:30-10am
Thursday, 30th January 2:45-3:15pm
Friday, 31st January 8:45 - 9:30am

School Banking

This week's Gold award recipients go to Bradley and Joseph.

Silver certificates go to Delilah and Sophie. Congratulations and keep up the hard work. Don't forget next week will be the final week for School Banking for 2019.



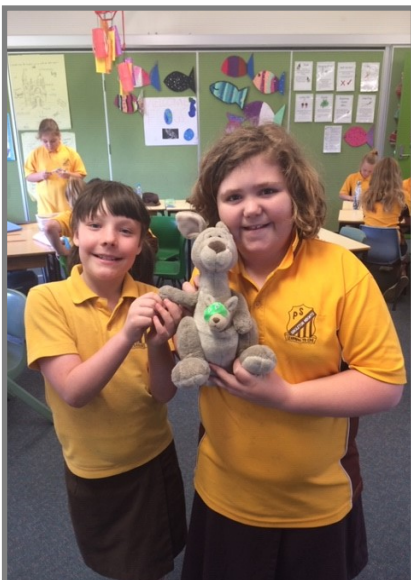
Mobile phones

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.



CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 4 Week 7

MON 25/11	TUE 26/11	WED 27/11	THUR 28/11	FRI 29/11
Jenny / Rebecca	Jenny / Liz	Jenny / Tamie	Jenny / Liz	Jenny / Kathy / Julie



Mari Visits 3/4V



Dates to Remember Calendar

25/11 Library Stocktake begins	26/11	27/11	28/11 Infants Assembly Community Ideas Group 1:20pm	29/11 PBL Bingo Library Stocktake ends
2/12	3/12 High School Orientation	4/12 Presentation Day	5/12 Primary Assembly	6/12 Volunteers After- noon Tea
9/12	10/12 SRE Assembly	11/12 Choir Elizabeth Gates 2pm Library Assembly	12/12 Year 6 Farewell PBL Rewards Day	13/12 Band Concert Mari Pizza Lunch
16/12 Carols on the Green 6pm Party Day	17/12	18/12 Students last Day	19/12 Staff Development Day	20/12 School Holidays

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.



DROUGHT APPEAL

McDonald's Muswellbrook & Singleton will be collecting household essentials to be delivered directly by Sue and Allan Bullock to the locals of Murrurundi.



NEXT DELIVERY

02
DECEMBER

If you can help bring in
your donation by Monday
1st of December and leave
it in the box provided.