

# Singleton Heights Public School Newsletter

Term 1

Week 8

21 March 2019



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## *Principal's Report*

We have had great success with students on the sporting field recently, and it is a credit to them for achieving their goals and working above and beyond in their extra-curricular endeavours.

I would like to congratulate our Rugby League representatives, who were selected in the Upper Hunter Zone Rugby League squad, to trial for the Hunter Region team in the coming weeks. Well done Darcy B, Tipi P, Kai B, Hemi E, Maronay S, Eden H and Tallan W.

### **Harmony Day**

Our classes celebrated Harmony Day this week, with students and staff dressing in orange to acknowledge this special event with activities across all classrooms. There was a significant focus on the theme of Racism-No Way, with many students designing posters to acknowledge anti-racism.



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



### Sentral SMS Messaging

Starting this week, the school started sending out SMS notifications if your child has been marked as **absent – unexplained** each morning, after 10am. The school has a dedicated mobile phone number that will push these messages out to families. This number is 0439984271. You can save this as a contact, if you wish. You may reply to this number with a reason for your child being absent. This will then count as an explained absence.

### Swim School

Our Year 2 Swim School started this week and by accounts is going swimmingly! (Sorry, I couldn't resist). Thank you to Mr Andrews and Mr Heien for organising this great initiative, and to the teachers and parents who are supporting our students in the pool. Well done, boys and girls and keep up the great work in achieving your goals in the pool. The swim school will run all of next week as well.



### P&C Meeting

Thank you to the parents and community members who attended our Annual General Meeting and P&C Meeting on Tuesday night. Our elected executive members for 2019 are as follows:

President: Jo Wensley

Vice-Presidents: Kerry Pinkney and Amelia Sheath

Secretary: Dianna Dennis

Treasurer: Megan Partridge

Executive member: Julie Waters

Uniform shop coordinator: Amelia Sheath

PBL Committee representative: Kathy O'Brien

Thank you for your continued support as we strive for several successful fundraisers in 2019.

### 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

This year, our school turns 40 years old, and the P&C would like to tie in this celebration with our annual fete. The P&C have decided on a tentative date, pending any significant clashes with other community events, which will be Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> August, from 11am to 4pm. We envisage having regular fete activities, as well as tying in memorabilia displays and a children's art show. The P&C will organise a committee to coordinate these events. If you are interested in being involved in this significant fundraiser and celebration, please contact Mrs Dagg via the school office.



### Easter Raffle

The P&C are holding an Easter Raffle to be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on the last day of term. They are asking for donations of Easter Chocolates, these can be returned to the container just outside the school office. Tickets have been sent home with each child today, these need to be returned to the school office by Thursday, 11th April.

### COLA area morning assembly

Our Stage 1 (Year 1 and 2) classes have been moving straight to class in the morning, from the COLA assembly area, to alleviate some issues with students not being able to concentrate on hearing the messages being delivered. If our teachers are giving out messages to students in this area, it would be respectful if parents were able to move away from the area to have social conversations. It is very important for our students to be able to sit quietly and respectfully to listen to messages, and it is sometimes difficult if there are many parents mingling and talking in this area. Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated.

### Scripture organisation

We have had quite a bit of difficulty in coordinating scripture groups as quite a number of children have opted out of scripture this year. The school sent out a note advising parents of their options for scripture, due to this data, from enrolment records, being lost. I urge you to rethink your decision about allowing your child to opt out, as non-scripture students cannot receive any additional teaching whilst Scripture lessons are being taught. This is made even more problematic due to space restrictions for students who are not attending scripture. Scripture lessons are designed to teach core values which support and reinforce the values of the school. These values include: creativity, acceptance, compassion, hope, communication skills, understanding, encouragement, caring, confidence, good choices, resilience, responsibility, consequences, leadership, positive influence, and inclusiveness. ***Please contact the school if you decide to re-enrol your child into scripture lessons.***

## Dates to Remember Calendar

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
25/3	26/3	27/3	28/3 Infants Assembly and Community Ideas Group - Fete	29/3 Year 2 swim school ends
1/4	2/4 Positive Playground Training Day	3/4	4/4 Primary Assembly and Community Ideas Group - Fete	5/4 Rugby League Gala Day
8/4	9/4 *PBL Rewards Day *Scripture Service *Elizabeth Gates Easter visit	10/4	11/4 *Cross Country 3-6 *Infants Assembly	12/4 Easter Hat Parade
15/4 School Holidays	16/4 School Holidays	17/4 School Holidays	18/4 School Holidays	19/4 Good Friday School Holidays

### CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 1 Week 9

MON 25/3	TUE 26/3	WED 27/3	THU 28/3	FRI 29/3
Jenny / Vacancy	Jenny / Vacancy	Jenny / Vacancy	Jenny / Vacancy	Jenny / Vacancy

### NOTES DUE

NOTE	WHO	Action Required	Date Due	✓
Space Incursion	Years 3 - 6	Note and Payment	25/3/19	



# PBL Assembly Awards K-2



Class	Student
KA	Zoe W
KL	Levi F
KL	Mia Mc
KM	Diezel Mc
KS	Bailey C
1C	Claudia B
1D	Boston M
1K	James H
1/2W	Willow T
2A	Bella R
2B	Jaxon G
2H	Bethany P

## Entertainment Books



Save money and help us raise money at the same time.

Books are \$65 - \$12 per book goes to our school.

To order contact the office or alternately order online using the link below

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/354h04>

## GIVING BLOOD FEELS GOOD

Every donation can save three lives.

### Mobile Blood Service visiting: Singleton

Singleton Square, 1 Gowrie Street

#### Whole Blood and Plasma

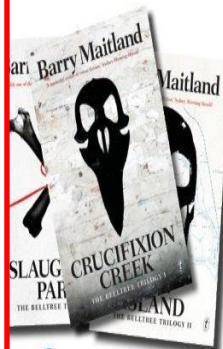
Monday 15 April	9.30am – 3.00pm
Tuesday 16 April	1.00pm – 6.30pm
Wednesday 17 April	1.00pm – 6.30pm
Thursday 18 April	1.00pm – 6.30pm

**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](http://donateblood.com.au)



### Big Book Club with Barry Maitland

Share wine, cheese and a mystery with the author!

What more could you want from a free night out?  
Open to everyone, so drop in and borrow a copy of Crucifixion Creek today.

Thursday 04 April | 5pm-7pm



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## Uniform Shop

### Opening Times

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