# Singleton Heights Public School Newsletter



Week 2

9 May 2019

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#### **Principal's Report**

Happy Mother's Day for Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> May. I do hope all of our special mums, grandmothers and carers have a beautiful day, and may it be filled with wonderful family moments, as well as whatever you wish for on this day (breakfast in bed, a movie, to be left alone, etc)! *Let's hope your children were able to purchase a memorable gift from our P&C Mother's Day stall today.* 





#### **KAOS Concert**

It was wonderful to see many of our talented students being active on stage at Singleton High School last night, while performing in our school choir and dance groups. The KAOS concert is a combined showcase from all of the Singleton community public schools and a wonderful way to celebrate the performing arts talents across the community. Well done kids! I am so proud of your performances, and thank you to the parents for supporting your child. Thank you to the staff at SHPS who have spent many hours rehearsing and teaching the students prior to this great event. What a great finale it was!

#### **PSSA Sport**

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Our school had two PSSA teams compete earlier this week. Our Senior Rugby League team were narrowly defeated by Singleton Public School in the PSSA knockout held on Monday, before they defeated Muswellbrook PS 66-0 in a second round playoff. Our senior Netball team played Singleton PS on our school courts on Tuesday and were also unfortunately beaten. Well done to the students for representing the school so well, and thank you to the teachers and parents/ community members who supported our teams with training and on match day.

I would like to wish our Year 3 and 4 students, who are participating in the Netball Gala Day in Maitland on Friday, all the best for fun and success on the day.

Several of our students will be participating in the Hunter Region PSSA Touch Footy trials on Friday. All the best Kaiden, Kai, Keleah ,Alexi and Maronay in attempting to gain selection in the Hunter Region team.





#### NAPLAN

Year 3 and Year 5 students will be participating in the NAPLAN assessment during Week 3 of Term 2, from Tue 14th May until Thu 16th May. The school will continue to use the paper form of assessment, rather than opt for the online assessment. The **Writing** and **Language Conventions** assessment will take place on the Tuesday, **Reading** on the Wednesday and **Numeracy** on the Thursday. The school has the opportunity to provide students with time on Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> May, if they missed any of the assessments on other days. Please contact your child's classroom teacher promptly, if you wish to withdraw your child from the assessment, as you will need to sign a form to request this option.

Our Vision: POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS, HIGH EXPECTATIONS, AUTHENTIC LEARNING

#### **School Anzac Ceremony**

I would like to send out a big thank you to Mrs Claire Daubeney, our Defence Mentor, who coordinated a very moving and memorable ANZAC Ceremony last Thursday. Our school leaders and students from defence families made great contributions to this ceremony. I must also thank our two special guests, Sergeant Lucas Boye, who gave a very moving speech, and Chaplain Major Gary Pope who played the bugle for the Last Post and Rouse, and really made a positive impact on our students during this ceremony.



#### **Primary Athletics Carnival**

Our Year 3 to 6 Athletics Carnival is fast approaching and will be held at Alroy oval on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May. All students in Years 3 to 6 are expected to attend. Students will be escorted to the oval by their classroom teacher. This carnival will host track events only, as our field events are coordinated during weekly school sport with grades. The P&C will be operating a canteen on the day, however, the canteen will also be open at school for K-2 students.

#### Staff movement

Miss Hazelwood will be attending a librarian conference this Friday, with special guest Morris Gleitzman presenting. Hopefully she can bring some great stories and ideas back.

Several of our executive staff will be attending a leadership conference next Wednesday. Mrs Meredith, Miss Rose, Mrs Winsor and Mrs Vern will all be travelling to this conference to further develop their skills and knowledge of best practice leadership approaches. I will also be out of the school from Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May, at an Art of Leadership course.

#### Excursions

- $\Rightarrow$  Year 5 Great Aussie Bush Camp will take place from Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> May until Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> May.
- $\Rightarrow$  Year 1 and 2 will be going to Australian Reptile Park on Wednesday and Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> June.
- $\Rightarrow$  Kindergarten will be heading to the Hunter Valley Zoo on Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> June.
- $\Rightarrow$  Year 3 and 4 will participate in separate excursions in Term 3. Information is forthcoming shortly.
- $\Rightarrow$  Year 6 will go to Canberra on Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September. Notes were sent home earlier this week .

#### P&C Meeting

I would like to thank the P&C Committee for their wonderful contribution of \$20000 that has provided a much needed refurbishment of our school PA and bell system. Although we are still ironing out some technical issues, the students will now hear music playing prior to the morning bell, end of recess and end of lunch. We also have a "happy" tune playing at the end of the day as the students leave the school grounds. The system also allows us to make announcements across the whole school.



Our next P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> May, from 6pm in the school staff room. The Com-

munity Ideas group have been meeting to coordinate our Fete/40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary combined fundraiser, which will be held on Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> August (end of Week 3, Term 3). This will be a large part of the agenda at the meeting. Come along and share your ideas and perhaps pick up a little job on the way.

#### **New Yarning Circle**

Wow! More on this next week. How good does it look?



#### BandFest

BandFest is a community event being held as part of Singleton Festival at Burdekin Park on Sunday, 19th May from 11:30am. The town band are hosting this event and our school band will be performing. So why not come along for a listen to the musical talent our town has to offer.

#### **Election Day BBQ**

Our P&C are hoping to run a fundraising BBQ on Election Day , but they urgently need volunteers, can you help?

## Election BBQ - Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Volunteer Form

Dear Parents / Carers

Our P&C would like to hold another **Election BBQ on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May from <u>8am – 2pm.</u> In order for the BBQ to go ahead, we need volunteers to help on the day.** 

If you, or a family member, are available for any amount of time during 8am and 2pm, please complete the slip below and return it to the school office **before Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May**.

Jo Wensley (P&C President) ELECTION BBQ VOLUNTEER

(name)

would like to help at the Election BBQ on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

I am available from \_\_\_\_\_\_ until \_\_\_\_\_\_.

My contact phone number is: \_\_\_\_\_

<u>*Please note:*</u> You will receive a text or call from Jo Wensley to confirm your availability once your slip has been returned.

## <u>PSSA Boys Soccer</u>

On Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May the Singleton Heights Boys PSSA soccer team travelled to Alroy Oval to play Singleton Public in round 1 of the PSSA Knockout tournament.

After a tough and tight first half that included great sportsmanship from Jack Newman and a missed penalty, the boys Knew they were in for a tight game.

At half-time the team knew that scoring first was going to be very important. To the boys credit they came out firing and took the lead from a corner with a cool, calm finish from Riley. A second goal was scored by Kaiden from the penalty spot for a 2-0 lead. A late goal from Singleton Public resulted in a 2-1win.

Special mention must go to the boys at the back who did a wonderful job defending their goal. It is always important to remember to defend as a team and the boys did that from the first whistle to the end.

A huge thank-you to the parents for attending the day and for your support.

We look forward to our next game which will be against King Street.

Mr H







Menu preparation is underway for the Athletics Carnival to be held on Wed 22 May at Alroy Oval. If anyone can assist to move equipment there and then back to the school, please see the Canteen. Any help on the day will be very much appreciated.

Things to remember:

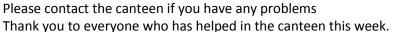
Sausage rolls are \$2.50

Chicken nuggets are 5 x \$4.50

Ice block choices are limited due cooling of weather

Hot chocolate is \$2.00

We now sell banana milk \$2.20, Plain milk \$2.20, yoghurt sachets in vanilla and strawberry \$1.50





CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 2 Week 3					
MON 13/5	TUE 14/5	WED 15/5	THU 16/5	FRI 17/5	
Jenny / Vacancy	Jenny / Liz	Jenny / Tammy	Jenny / Vacancy	Jenny / Rebecca	

# **Netball News**

PSSA Knockout Netball is competitive by nature. Our PSSA Netball team played Singleton Public School on Tuesday after recess with high hopes of winning and getting through to the next round. They did well to score 8 points, mainly in the second half. However, this year, Hunter Street had many experienced and Representative players and came away with a 29-8 victory. Despite this, our players had an enjoyable time. Thank you to Stevie B. and Alexi L who filled in for us at the last minute due to injured Amber H who was so keen to play. Sienna V suffered further injury to her finger during the game and we wish both Amber and Sienna a speedy recovery in time for the Newcastle Schools Cup later in the term. Well done to all the players who worked well together as a team and a big thank you to Gail for the time she spent training the girls each week.

The next netball event on the calendar is the Year 3 & 4 Netball Gala Day at Maitland this Friday. Two teams of students will travel to Maitland Netball Courts for a day of friendly games against other schools in the Hunter. We wish them a safe and fun day.



Gail Solman, Maycee S, Tori C, Jessica H, Sienna V, Rosie H, Alexi L, Amber H, Stevie B, Venice B, Matilda D, Kealah B, Miss Lewis



Gail giving the team a few pointers!



We are excited to be collecting Earn and Learn Stickers, these provide extra resources for our students. Please help support our school! Stickers can be placed in our school box at Woolworths, or in the box provided in the office foyer.



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## Dates to Remember Calendar

13/5	14/5 NAPLAN	15/5 NAPLAN	16/5 Infants Assembly NAPLAN	17/5 NAPLAN Make up Day
20/5	21/5	22/5 Primary Athletics Carnival	23/5 Primary Assembly	24/5
27/5	28/5 Multicultural Public Speaking	29/5 Aussie Bush Camp Yr 5	30/5 Infants Assembly Aussie Bush Camp Yr 5	31/5 Aussie Bush Camp Yr 5
3/6	4/6	5/6 Reptile Park Excursion 1C,1D and 2A	6/6 Primary Assembly Reptile Park Excursion1/2W, 1K, 2H and 2B	7/6

## School Banking

Welcome back to another term of school banking. It is exciting to see we are still getting new bankers, almost every week. Last week started with our first awards for the year. The school banking bronze awards last week go to: Emmaline, Samuel, Laylah, Riley, Kane, Olivia, Sophie, Harry, Aden, Jasper, Rylee, Addisyn, Lilly, Tilly, Thomas, Kye and Tiger.

This weeks go to:

Nicholas, Amey, Sienna, Joseph, Grant, Aria Congratulations to all our recipients, keep up the excellent work everyone. Happy Banking :)



### STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE



Envelopes will be sent home today. If you would like to support the work of Stewart House, please place \$2 into the envelope and return to the school's office before Friday, May 17. Additional information is printed on the envelope.

Thank you in anticipation of your support. Janelle Cox

NOTES DUE						
NOTE	WHO	Action Required	Date Due	$\checkmark$		
Aussie Bush camp	Year 5	Final Payment Due	15/5/19			
Year 6 Shirts	Year 6	Orders and payment due	24/5/19			
Reptile Park Excursion	Year 1 & 2	All notes and payment due	31/5/19			