

Singleton Heights Public School Newsletter

Term 2

Week 10

4 July 2019



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Principal's Report

Girls' Touch Football

Well done to the girls' touch football team that defeated Scone PS on Monday, at Alroy Oval. A convincing win that now sees the girls progress to the next round of the PSSA Knockout, playing on Wednesday, 24th July at Branxton. Well done!

Multi Cultural Public Speaking

Congratulations to Cooper L, Emma U, Desiyer B and Lucas S who represented our school at the regional final at East Maitland Public School on Monday.

SDD change of date

Just reminding everyone that students will return to school on Monday, 22nd July, and the Staff Development Day (student-free day) will be on Monday, 12th August (Week 4) for several schools, including ours, in the Singleton Learning Community.

Academic Reports/three way conferences

Your child's academic report should have gone home with your children yesterday, Wednesday, 3rd July. A note is also going home about three way conferences with your child, yourself and the classroom teacher, to be held in Week 2 next term (from Monday, 29th July to Friday 2nd August). Teachers are being released from class for the day to conduct these interviews, so it would be beneficial for you to be available to attend. The discussion will revolve around your child's academic report and goals that your child will work towards in Semester 2.

Fete

Our big 40th Anniversary and Fete Day, on Saturday, 10th August, is fast approaching. There are still plenty of jobs to do to get this big event off the ground including working bees, setting up and helping out on the day.

We have rides and novelties, several food trucks, canteen catering, entertainment, memorabilia displays and a student art exhibition on show during the day. The Singleton Army base will have their obstacle course onsite and many other fun activities are planned at the school on the day. Come along with the whole family and enjoy what will be a great celebration.

New disabled parking



A new disabled parking space will be installed outside the school gates in the near future. The installation is in response to correspondence council has received in relation to a lack of disabled parking options at the school. The disabled persons parking space will be installed on Dorsman Drive, just at the beginning of the No parking (kiss and ride) section nearest the entrance to the school. The signs and line marking should be installed in the next 3 - 4 weeks.

Safety in the Holidays

Please discuss some safety aspects with your children when they are out and about in the school holidays. It is always important to talk about a safe place for children to go if they feel uncomfortable while in a public place, particularly if they are approached by strangers in holidays and/or coming to and from school during the school term.

Our Vision: POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS, HIGH EXPECTATIONS, AUTHENTIC LEARNING

Staff Movement

As published in last week's newsletter, Mrs Norris will be leaving us, retiring from the Department of Education after Week 2 next term. Mrs Laura Lantry will be replacing Mrs Norris on 4N.

I would also like to acknowledge the retirement of Mrs Lynne Russell, one of our staff stalwarts, who has decided to spend more time with her family, including her grandchildren. Mrs Russell has been an integral member of the school community for over 32 years. She is already missed.



Mr Orr will be on paternity leave for the first two weeks of next term. Miss Tolmie will be on leave for Week 1 next term.

Kindness Week

Next term, in Week 2, our school will again focus on kindness for the week. The main focus for lessons will be on kindness to animals. A representative from the RSPCA will be visiting the school on the Thursday of Week 2 and presenting some information to all of our students.

School Spelling Bee

The school's Spelling Bee finals will be held in the school hall on Thursday, 1st August. Finalists will be chosen from the classroom based Spelling Bees that are currently being conducted.

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease

We have a confirmed case of Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease in the school. Symptoms include fever, blisters around the mouth, on the hands and feet. Children should be kept at home until all blisters have dried.

NAIDOC Day

Our school will be celebrating NAIDOC Day on Friday, 5th July. We will be operating with a similar format to last year, in that students will be involved in a whole school assembly, followed by a series of rotations with many different cultural activities being offered, including art, sport, music and dance. We hope to have a wonderful celebration to recognise the significant history of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The theme for this year's NAIDOC Day is Voice, Treaty, Truth and our classroom teachers will also be providing lessons around this theme throughout the day.

As part of our NAIDOC celebrations our classroom doors have been decorated in a variety of different ways.



ICAS

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) is an independent, skills-based assessment program which recognises and rewards student achievement. ICAS helps to pinpoint strengths and areas for improvement for individual students.

Over one million student entries are accepted from over 6,300 schools in Australia and New Zealand annually. In addition, students from over 20 countries including Hong Kong, India, Malaysia, Singapore, South Africa and the USA participate in ICAS each year. (Information from ICAS website).

Singleton Heights Public School would like to invite students in Years 2-6 to sit the 2019 NSW University ICAS papers. There is a new format of students completing these assessments online this year. Students will be removed from class to sit their paper online on the dates specified below. Students may sit as many papers as they wish. All applications must be completed on the form below and returned with relevant fees to the office for Ms Rose by Wednesday 31st July, 2019.

Paper	Sitting date	Fee (inc GST)	Year level offered
Digital Technologies	Tuesday 3 rd September	\$14.50	3-6
Science	Thursday 5 th September	\$14.50	2-6
Writing (Paper)	Tuesday 10 th September	\$14.50	3-4
Writing (online)	Tuesday 10 th September	\$14.50	5-6
Spelling Bee	Thursday 12 th September	\$14.50	2-6
English	Tuesday 17 th September	\$14.50	2-6
Mathematics	Thursday 19 th September	\$14.50	2-6

My child _____ in class _____ would like to sit the following ICAS papers. I understand that they will be removed from class to complete these papers online and if absent on the day all monies paid will be forfeited.

Tick	Paper	Sitting date	Fee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Digital Technologies	Tuesday 3 rd September	\$14.50
<input type="checkbox"/>	Science	Thursday 5 th September	\$14.50
<input type="checkbox"/>	Writing (Paper - Yr 3-4)	Tuesday 10 th September	\$14.50
<input type="checkbox"/>	Writing (Online - Yr 5-6)	Tuesday 10 th September	\$14.50
<input type="checkbox"/>	Spelling Bee	Thursday 12 th September	\$14.50
<input type="checkbox"/>	English	Tuesday 17 th September	\$14.50
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mathematics	Thursday 19 th September	\$14.50

I have enclosed the sum of \$ _____ or I paid online : _____ (receipt number)

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Dates to Remember Calendar

8/7 School Holidays	9/7 School Holidays	10/7 School Holidays	11/7 School Holidays	12/7 School Holidays
13/7 School Holidays	14/7 School Holidays	15/7 School Holidays	16/7 School Holidays	17/7 School Holidays
22/7 Students and Staff return for Term 3	23/7 100 Days of Kindergarten	24/7	25/7	26/7 McDonald's Reading program 1K, 1/2W and 2A
29/7 Kindness week	30/7 Debating Workshop	31/7 Photo Makeup day Family Maths Workshop	1/8 Spelling Bee	2/8 Mufti Day/Animal Costume

Canteen News



Holidays have now arrived and the wind down is happening. This term seems to have been longer than the first one although we all know it has not been. Thank you to Dannielle who has found us the tin opener we have been searching for. It felt like Christmas had come early. Also thanks go to all our parents/grandparents who have helped in the canteen in any small way. A special thank you goes to Tammy who has been looking after the gardening plots. Fresh vegetables next term will be awesome. Have a great and safe holiday everyone.

Thank you!



We would like to say a big 'Thank You' to all our wonderful parent helpers who helped us on the Stage One Reptile Park Excursions. We really appreciated your help on the day. You were awesome!

CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 3 Week 1

MON 22/7	TUE 23/7	WED 24/7	THU 25/7	FRI 26/7
Jenny / Rebecca	Jenny / Liz	Jenny / Tammy	Jenny / Liz	Jenny / Kathy / Julie



37 Days to go!
Celebrate good times!




4 Years
WHAT'S COMING UP?

This year SHPS is celebrating its 40th Anniversary!!!

EXTRA FETE RAFFLE TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE
RIDE PRE-SALES WILL BE AVAILABLE WEEK 1, TERM 3

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR FETE DONATIONS, GREATLY APPRECIATED!!!

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR VOLUNTEERS
Volunteer during our working bees or on the day for your chance to win a Dolphin Cruise for 2 with Lake Macquarie Cruises!



THANK YOU

for Supporting our **Breakfast Club**



GLENCORE Australia






Volunteers' Expressions of Interest – 40th Anniversary Fete Celebrations

This year Singleton Heights Public School is turning 40 & we are excited! We will be celebrating with the school & local community by holding a 40th Anniversary Fete on Saturday 10th August. The fete will run from 11am – 4pm.

The P&C are calling out for Expressions of interest for volunteers that would like to kindly donate some of their time to make our Celebration one to remember!

If you are able to donate your time, please fill out the form below & return to the School Office.

Thank you!

Angela Penton – P&C Fete Coordinator 2019

Volunteers Expression of Interest - 40th Anniversary Fete Celebrations

Name: Contact Number:.....

WWCC:.....

Can assist from 9am – 5pm

Can assist during these times (Please specify times)

PBL Assembly Awards K-2



Class	Student
KA	Ruby B
KL	Jake S
KM	Zane B
KS	Zari S
1C	Thomas H
1D	Grant P
1K	Chase B
1/2W	Abigail M
2A	Charli W
2B	Deanda S
2H	Savannah B

Reading is my
SECRET POWER

CBCA Book Week
17-23 August 2019
#CBCA2019

Illustration by Bob Graham © 2019 The Children's Book Council of Australia

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

Bookings essential for most activities due to limited spaces.
Contact the library for more information

CWA Craft (Free, ages 6-14)

Tuesday 9 July | 1.30-3pm

The lovely ladies from CWA are using their experience to instruct us in all things craft, including knitting, sewing or crochet

NAIDOC Story Time Adventure (Free, ages 1-10)

Wednesday 10 July | 10-11am

Starting with our story in the library we will then venture to Civic Lawn and join the NAIDOC celebrations

VR Afternoon (Free, ages 7-14)

Friday 12 and 19 July | 3-5pm

Come along and try out our VR for an afternoon of adventure

Imaginaturalists: the heart of science (\$5 ticket, ages 8-12)

Monday 15 July | 10am-12pm

A program using creativity, art and fun to teach scientific concepts and powers of observation to children

Poetry Slam Workshop (Free, ages 8-12)

Tuesday 16 July | 2 - 4pm

Are you the next Australian Poetry Slam Champion? Hone your writing and performance skills and get ready for the Hunter Poetry Slam

Make a Bee Hotel (Free, ages 8+)

Wednesday 17 July | 10-11.30am

Help save native bees by creating your own bee hotel for native solitary pollinator bees.

Tech Petting Zoo (Free, ages 6+)

Thursday 18 July | 10am-12pm

Introduce yourself to Lego EV3 robots, Ozobots, Code-a-Pillars, and all the fun tech at the LABrary

Salt Painting (Free, ages 8-12)

Friday 19 July | 10am-12pm

Illustrations in salt will be painted, creating interesting swirls and patterns



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School Holidays
are here!!

