

# Singleton Heights Public School Newsletter

Term 2

Week 9

25 June 2020



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## Principal's Report

### Mari Award Winners

Congratulations to our latest Mari badge recipients, who received their badges from our Upper Hunter Network Director, Educational Leadership, Mr Sean Andrews, last Friday. Our Mari Badge Pizza lunch will be taking place next Wednesday. I look forward to sharing in the joy these students have, in receiving this bonus, once they have collected their Mari awards.

Just to remind you that Mari awards can be accumulated over a number of years, not just over one year. Keep collecting them and remember to bring them in when you receive 3, 6, 9, 12 or 15 Mari awards.



### Academic Reports and Parent Interviews

Academic reports will be sent home next Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> June. Due to the COVID-19 restrictions placed on schools in Term 1 and Term 2 this year, our school is providing a comment, in both English and mathematics, explaining the content covered. Your child's individual progress and achievement, that has been observed, will be provided in the general comment. A commitment to learning summary is included in the report. You are able to request a phone interview with your child's classroom teacher, prior to the end of term, however, we are planning to conduct Face to Face 3-way conferences with you, your child and the classroom teacher, sometime in Term 3, once the social distancing restrictions are lifted. I feel that this would be the best time to talk with your child's classroom teacher about future directions for your child.



### 2021 Kindergarten Enrolments

If you have a child starting Kindergarten in 2021, or know of a family in our school zone who has a child starting Kindergarten next year, please contact the school to put your name down for enrolment. We are looking at scheduling our Kinder Café next term, and we would like to get details from as many families as possible to invite them along to our information sessions and Kinder orientation days. A very exciting time ahead.

### SHPS Playgroup

Our school playgroup is going to start back up again tomorrow, Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> June, from 9:15am -11am, in the Community Room. Please contact the school, to speak to Mrs Dagg about coming along and enjoying some time socialising with other families in our community, and allowing your child to experience the school grounds and have fun with plenty of structured activities to play with.



### Social Distancing restrictions

I really do apologise for the restrictions around drop off and pick up times, around parents needing to stay out of school grounds. I want nothing more than to see our parents positively interacting in our school community, however, until the government protocols allow for it, it is safer to keep the restricted access tight. I am hoping that by Week 2 next term, we will hear an announcement around easing some of these restrictions. Thank you for your support and patience during these times.

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

### School Uniforms

It is so great to see so many students wearing their school jumpers and jackets now. It makes you so proud to see our wonderful uniform so prominent in the school. Just a reminder that if your child does not bring a school jumper or jacket to school, we will replace the out of uniform jumper with a school jumper for them to wear for the day. Please provide a note for your child to indicate why they don't have a school jumper or jacket available to them.

### Excursions Term 3

The school will make a decision on the go ahead for major excursions for the rest of this year at the beginning of Week 3 next term. Some restrictions have already been put in place on some of our Year 5 and 6 major excursions, however these will either be eased or tightened in the coming weeks, so watch this space for an announcement in Week 3.

### School Assemblies

Our school has decided to wait until Term 3 to start our award assemblies again, as 15 minutes is not enough time to get through our assemblies. We will likely run our first few assemblies without parents attending, and then monitoring the easing of restrictions early in Term 3. More information about when these assemblies will be held, will follow in future newsletters.



### Term 2 End

Next week is our last week of school for Term 2. It has been challenging, strange and unprecedented time. I thank you all; staff, students and families for your continued support in providing a quality education for the children at this school. Let's have a great last week of term and celebrate the fact that we have all been able to come back together at school and gain some sort of normality.



Students will return to school on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> July next term, as our School Staff Development Day will be held on Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> July. No students will attend on this day.

## Canteen News

It has been really busy in the canteen the last few weeks. I have completed the winter menu which will start term 3. A copy will be going home in the next week of term.

The students have been enjoying the pizza muffins, vanilla scones and tomato and cheese scrolls. The choc bliss balls are also very popular.

We have been picking lots of fresh dutch carrots and snow peas for our veggie & cheese cups.

We have been busy getting ready for our footy themed day tomorrow.

Special treats will be for sale. Please see Menu.

These fun days are always exciting for the students and staff.

A quick reminder to parents if your child orders lunch and is unwell or sick and goes home, please let the canteen staff know and we can arrange it for another day or it may be ready and able to be taken home with you.



### Footy Day Special Treats Menu

- Marshmallow footy biscuit 50c
- Fairy bread 50c
- Chocolate mousse \$1.00
- Jelly Cups \$1.00
- Cupcakes \$1.50



**We are now taking Kindergarten Enrolments for 2021. Please contact the school office on 65731363.**