

# Singleton Heights Public School Newsletter

Term 1

Week 9

25 March 2021



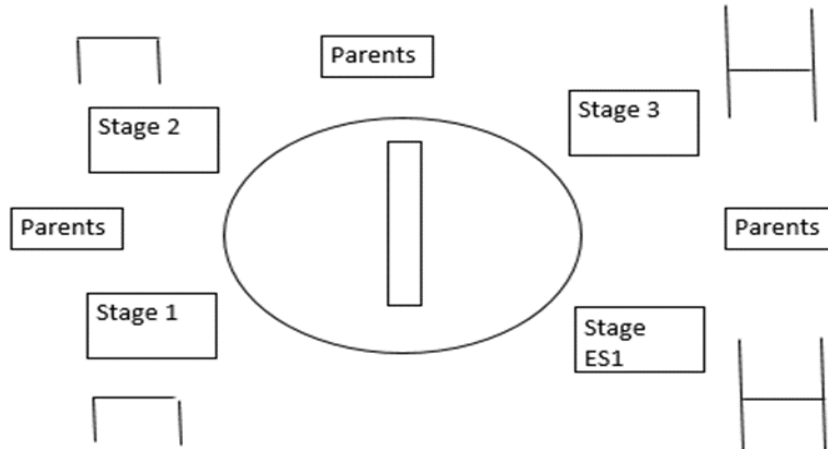
R E S P E C T | R E S P O N S I B I L I T Y | E X C E L L E N C E

## Principal's Report

Get your creative skills flowing, as our Easter Hat Parade is fast approaching! The Easter Hat Parade will take place on the last day of school for Term 1, **Thursday, 1st April**. The parade will be held on the back oval, from **12:15pm**, and to avoid congestion in these social distancing times, parents will be allocated to certain areas of the back oval, with the students' classes being spread out across the field. See the map below. When you enter, please **sign in with the COVID app**, from Services NSW, which will be distributed in many areas around the school.



Easter Hat Back Playground Map



After the parade, if you wish to take your child home with you, collect them from their classroom and then proceed to the sign out desks at the front of the school with your child. Please remember social distancing. We appreciate your patience while waiting to have your child signed out.

**Students can wear mufti clothes on the day** but please remember that sun-safe clothing and closed-in shoes need to be worn.

Students, K-6 and parents can make or buy:

- a decorative Easter hat
- rabbit ears and/or tail
- an Easter basket etc.

Please do not include real Easter Eggs or other food items in your creation as chocolate melts in the sun and we have a number of children with severe allergies.

We look forward to sharing our Easter celebration with you.

### End of Term

The last day of Term is on Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> April. Students will then return to school on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> April to begin Term 2.



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

### NAPLAN Year 3 and Year 5

From the 11<sup>th</sup> May until the 21<sup>st</sup> May, our school will be participating in the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) with Year 3 and Year 5 students. NAPLAN will assess the literacy and numeracy learning of students in all Australian schools. The results of these tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement and will be able to compare their child's performance against the national minimum standard.



### Withdrawal/Exemption/Adjustments for NAPLAN

Students may be withdrawn from the tests at the request of their parent/carer. Parents will need to contact their child's classroom teacher to discuss withdrawal and complete a form, which is available in the office. Exemption from the test will require parents to consult with the principal, or their delegate, before exemption will be permitted. Consideration for exemption can be given to students: with a language background other than English who arrived in Australia less than a year before the tests, or for a student with a significant intellectual disability or condition that may severely impact their capacity to participate in the test.

Disability adjustments may be made to support individual students. Adjustments permitted in NAPLAN are intended to enable access to NAPLAN on an equivalent basis to students without disability. The adjustments will reflect the kind of support and assistance provided for assessment in the classroom. Disability adjustments need to be discussed with the classroom teacher and a consent form will need to be completed before 23<sup>rd</sup> April. Forms are available in the office. If you have any other questions about NAPLAN, please contact the school to discuss with the Principal.

### Sporting prowess and success

Deanda S is heading to the State PSSA Swimming Championships at Homebush next Wednesday. We wish her all the best, and hope she does well. Deanda was selected to go last year, but the event was cancelled due to COVID restrictions. Well done to Riley and Kye T for making it in to the Zone Soccer (Football) team to trial for the Hunter team early next term.

Well done to the Girls Cricket team for making it through to the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the PSSA Knockout.





### PBL Bingo and Rewards Day

Our Termly PBL Rewards Day is scheduled for Wednesday, 31st March – all students who have been displaying excellent behaviour will get to participate in a rotation of fun activities during the middle session of this day. Our PBL BINGO will also be running on this day, in the morning, to see who the class winner will be for Term 1. Well done to the PBL team for organising these great events for our students.

### Mari Badge Pizza Lunch

Over 20 students will be celebrating receiving their Mari Badge this term, with a pizza lunch on Tuesday, 30th March. Students who are participating, should have received their invitations, and I will be taking pizza orders on Monday for these lucky students, who very much deserve the reward for behaving and engaging in school so well, so often!

### School Cross Country

The school will be again holding our Cross Country on Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> April (Week 2, Term 2). Year 3 and 4 will run in the morning session and Year 5 and 6 will run in the middle session of the day. Parents will be able to help out on the day. More information will go out in the newsletter next week, as we endeavour to coordinate this event. The Zone Cross Country will be held on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May (Week 3, Term 2).



### Term 2 activities

Staff Development Day (student-free day): Monday, 19th April

Students return to school: Tuesday, 20th April

Boys and Girls PSSA Soccer – Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> April

Anzac Day Ceremony: to be held on Thursday, 22nd April

On Friday of Week 1, the school will have a visit from the team who are delivering the Visible Wellbeing professional learning, to see how our school is implementing this approach.

School Cross Country – Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> April

On Friday of Week 2, the school will have a visit from seven other primary school principals and their executive staff, to participate in a Learning Walks trial to visit many of our classrooms and talk with our students about their learning.

Swim School lessons for Year 2 start in Week 2 and go through to Week 3 as well.

On Tuesday of Week 3, 4<sup>th</sup> May, the school will have a visit from our Regional North and West Executive Director, who is visiting several schools in Singleton to witness first hand the great initiatives and support that our school provides to students and families.



## School holiday snacks

Easter school holidays are approaching, which can be a good time to test out foods kids don't normally eat.

Try a new recipe: hot cross scones

Try a new everyday snack food: hommus mini dip pack and crackers

Try a new combo: celery with cream cheese and sultanans



You never know, you might be able to add these to the lunchbox next term!

For new recipes and tips, head to the SWAP IT website:  
[goodforkids.nsw.gov.au/primary-schools/swap-it/](http://goodforkids.nsw.gov.au/primary-schools/swap-it/)



# PBL Assembly Awards

## 3-6



Class	Student
3C	Alyssa L
3W	Calais M
3/4M	Ella G
3/4S	Savannah B
4B	Xavier H
4L	Ruby C
5L	Aden C
5O	Molly P
5/6H	Piper H
5/6V	Kane D
6T	Mikhaila W
K-6K	Rhiannon S

# PBL Assembly Awards

## K-2



Class	Student
KA	Londyn P
KM	Halle B
KS	Jack T
KW	George L
1C	Roc S
1D	Lezanie N
1K	Aribella T
1/2W	Emily M
2A	Allyra B
2H	Skyler W
2L	Ayra S

# Canteen News

We celebrated Harmony Day last Friday and WOW what a day. The students really enjoyed all the canteen had on offer and we completely sold out of all our food items. These days are so fun and very important for our P&C fundraising. A huge thank you to all the wonderful volunteers that came in and helped out. The day certainly wouldn't run as smooth without all of your help.

As we near the end of term 1 there will be limited menu items available as we run our stock out. I have a new menu ready for the start of term 2 which will be sent home next week.

Also a quick REMINDER for anyone ordering lunch for their child/children next Thursday (Easter Hat Parade) and wishing to take their child/children home after the parade please note that lunch orders will not be ready until 1.20pm.



Look at our lovely little lions.



## Dates to Remember Calendar

29/3	30/3 Playgroup - Hall  Mari Principals lunch	31/3 PBL Bingo PBL Rewards Kitchen Kart K-6K	1/4 Easter Hat Parade	2/4 Good Friday School Holidays
5/4 Easter Monday School Holidays	6/4 School Holidays	7/4 School Holidays	8/4 School Holidays	9/4 School Holidays
12/4 Easter Monday School Holidays	13/4 School Holidays	14/4 School Holidays	15/4 School Holidays	16/4 School Holidays
19/4 Staff Development Day	20/4 <b>Students return</b> Playgroup - Hall	21/4	22/4	23/4

**graffiti** **PCYC**  
REMOVAL DAY SINGLETON

**VOLUNTEER** Young children need guardian supervision.

Meet at Singleton Scout Hall  
14 Edward Street, Singleton  
Starts 8:30am – till afternoon

Paint for as long as you like!

**LOVE Where YOU Live**

SUNDAY 28TH MARCH  
Sausage sizzle provided

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL  
Singleton PCYC 6572 1653  
[GRAFFITIREMOVALDAY.ORG.AU](http://GRAFFITIREMOVALDAY.ORG.AU)

PROUDLY SPONSORED BY

NSW Rotary Dulux ses

## Playgroup is back!

Playgroup is held on Tuesdays, from 9:15 - 11am in our school hall. Come join us for a cuppa and a chat. We would love you to join us, no cost involved. Everyone is Welcome.

