

# Singleton Heights Public School Newsletter

Term 2

Week 3

6 May 2021



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## Principal's Report

A big reminder that we have been focusing on Koalas across the school this week, in conjunction with Kindness Week last week, where we focused on kindness to animals. Student artwork will be on display and prizes will be offered. Tomorrow, Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> May, will be a mufti day, where students are able to come to school out of uniform in animal outfits, or clothing that reflects an animal theme, with a gold coin donation going towards the Port Stephens Koala Foundation.

We had a wonderful visit from several other schools last week, when we were able to visit over 12 classrooms and talk with the students about their learning. I really appreciate the effort of everyone involved in our school to prepare for this day and make it such a great success. The reciprocal visit will be tomorrow at Manly.

### Zone Cross Country success

Congratulations to all of the students who travelled to Muswellbrook on Monday, to participate in the Upper Hunter Zone PSSA Cross Country. We had a lot of success in our Stage 2 cohort, with Noah D, Josh S, Nick H and Kye T, all being selected to attend the regional carnival as Zone representatives. The regional Cross Country will be held at TOCAL College, Paterson on Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> May from 8am-1pm.



Student Representatives - Hailee V-N is attending the regional netball trials in Maitland on Monday and Bradley L has joined the Hunter Signing Choir for Starstruck, coming very soon. We wish these students all the best in their endeavours for success.

### Multi-cultural Perspectives Public Speaking

The Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition will go ahead again this year. Our school will be hosting our internal competition finals on Tuesday of Week 6 this term. Students in Years 3 to 6, who wish to participate in this public speaking competition will need to prepare a speech at home, and present it to their class, for an opportunity to participate in the school finals.

Year 3 and 4 students need to prepare a 3 minute (maximum) speech on any of the following topics:

Year 5 and 6 students need to prepare a 4 minute (maximum) speech on any of the following topics:

2021 Years 3&4 topics	2021 Years 5&6 topics
Stronger together	Stronger together
We are one and free	Racism: it's everyone's business
Racism - no way!	January 26
The Olympics - bringing people together	Sport - making a difference
Australia on TV	Media Matters
Language matters	Australia - where to next?
Sharing	It's complicated
Kids lead the way!	A safe place to call home
Reconciliation	Healing
Where do I belong?	Global voices

Students who make it through to the finals may also be required to present an impromptu speech (Year 3 & 4 - 1 minute, Year 5 & 6 - 2 minutes).

If you are interested in your child participating, please support them at home to draft and practice a speech, and contact your child's classroom teacher for further support or enquiries.

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

## **NAPLAN Year 3 and Year 5**

Next Tuesday, 11th May, until the 21st 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.



## **NAPLAN timetable**

NAPLAN Assessment	Year 3	Year 5
Writing	Tuesday, 11 <sup>th</sup> May - paper	Wednesday, 12 <sup>th</sup> May - online
Reading	Tuesday, 18 <sup>th</sup> May – online	Thursday, 13 <sup>th</sup> May – online
Language Conventions	Wednesday, 19 <sup>th</sup> May – online	Friday, 14 <sup>th</sup> May – online
Numeracy	Thursday, 20 <sup>th</sup> May - online	Monday, 17 <sup>th</sup> May - online



## **Statement of Accounts**

A statement of account will be sent home with your child this week, reflecting potential costs of excursions and the school voluntary contribution over the year. Please ensure payment of these accounts is made either at the office, or through the school's website in the Make a Payment link.

## **Great Aussie Bush Camp**

The Year 5 camp is fast approaching and we are asking that you really start talking with your children about the aspects of camp that they might be unsure about, including the structured meal times, sleeping arrangements in shared accommodation and the expectations of behaviour while away on overnight camps. Students are required to be organised with their clothing and toiletries, so please ensure you have a few conversations around this next week. Camp kicks off on Wednesday morning, 19<sup>th</sup> May. **Final payment and medical forms are due tomorrow, Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> May.** Please contact the school if this is an issue for you.



## **P&C Meeting**

The next P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> May, at 6pm in the school staff room. All community members are welcome to attend.

A casual position for our canteen is advertised on the back page of this newsletter, if you would like to apply, or know of someone who might like to apply.

## **Band Workshop**

Students who are currently in our school band, are being invited to a Band Workshop, coordinated by Bandlink, which will be held at King St PS on Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> May. Professional tutors will be running the workshops, and students will have the chance to play in a massed band. Mrs Winsor will be attending this workshop with our students. Cost will be \$60 per student for the two days. The day will run from 9:30-3pm each day.



## **Athletics Carnival**

Our Primary Athletics Carnival is scheduled for Thursday, 27th May. It will be held at Alroy Oval. Due to the size of our student population, only track events will be held on this day, as is traditional, while field events are conducted during school sport in Term 2. A canteen will be operating on the day, through our P&C and Canteen manager. Pricelists and items will be published closer to the day.

## **School Assemblies**

The next school assembly will be the Year 3-6 Assembly on Thursday, 13th May, in the school hall, at 12:50pm.

# Stage 1 Gymnastics

Stage One students will be participating in a gymnastics program in the school hall every Monday this term. This has been made possible by a Community Grant from Singleton Diggers. This week was the first session for each class and, as you can see by the smiles and the concentration on their faces, the students in 1K and 2A had an enjoyable time. The activities included stretching, rolling, balancing, hanging, jumping, and lifting their own body weight.



## *Dates to Remember Calendar*

10/5	11/5 Playgroup - Hall Naplan Online Y3 Writing	12/5 Naplan Online Y5 Writing Kitchen Kart	13/5 Naplan Online Y5 Reading Primary Assembly	14/5 Naplan Online Y5 Language
17/5 Naplan Online Yr 5 Numeracy	18/5 Playgroup - Hall Naplan Online Reading Yr 3	19/5 Kitchen Kart Naplan Online Yr 3 Language	20/5 Naplan Online Yr 3 Numeracy	21/5 Yr 5 Aussie Bush Camp
24/5	25/5 Playgroup - Hall Multicultural Public Speaking Band Workshop	26/5 Kitchen Kart Band Workshop	27/5 Infants Assembly Primary Athletics Carnival	28/5 Hunter Cross Country
31/5	1/6 Playgroup - Hall	2/6 Kitchen Kart	3/6	4/6

### **Birthday Buckets**

SHPS can cater for your child's birthday with a special bucket of Quelsh ice blocks.

For your child to receive one of these birthday buckets delivered to their classroom to share with their classmates, please see the canteen staff.

Your birthday child will also receive a small foil balloon to keep and a \$2 canteen voucher to spend.

Please give 24 hours' notice and you can also pre-purchase ahead of time.

Payments must be made at the time of purchase. Prices starting from \$15.

Thank you  
Canteen Ladies



# PBL Assembly Awards K-2



Class	Student
KA	Millie F
KM	Harvey E
KS	Abbie H
KW	Ryder W
1C	Audrey T
1K	Mia Mc
1/2W	Felicity A
2A	Matthew L
2H	Khloe F
2L	Finlay K

## GRAHAM LAW SOCCER CLINIC

FROM MONDAY 17TH MAY 2021  
GRAHAM LAW SOCCER WILL BE RUNNING A 4 WEEK  
TRAINING PROGRAM AT CIVIC PARK.

Graham will be working with young players to build confidence, receive and pass the ball correctly, dribbling, shooting and playing in a team environment.

Groups are limited to ensure each player gets the most out of each session. This will also enable Coach Graham to provide 1-1 time.

Open to all kids from the Singleton Strikers, and all clubs from the Upper Hunter

### Group Times

7 year olds @ 4.30pm (\$90)

8 year olds @ 5.15pm (\$90)

9 year olds @ 6.00pm (\$100)

Players attending this program are entitled to 10% off our next school holiday clinic.

To register please contact Ashley at [glaw.soccer@gmail.com](mailto:glaw.soccer@gmail.com).  
Don't forget to check out our Facebook page - Graham Law Soccer Clinic

### About Graham

B Licence Qualified - Commencing A License  
5 Time First Division Winning Coach  
3 Time First Division Winning Grand Finalist Coach  
Ex Newcastle Jets Youth Coach



Current NPL azzurri coaching them in his first year to NPL finals for first time in almost a decade.

## 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.



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# Singleton Heights Public School

## Parents & Citizens Association

### Casual Canteen Assistant

Singleton Heights Public School P&C are seeking a **Canteen Assistant**.

This is a **casual position** requiring you to be **on call / available when permanent staff are unavailable**.

Pay level: Casual Level 2 (Fast Food Industry Award 2010). Reports to: Canteen Manager and P&C Association.

The Canteen Assistant will support the Canteen Manager. Duties include:

- Food preparation and window service.
- Assisting in managing the daily operation of the Canteen including open and close.
- Following and maintain food safety and hygiene practices and procedures.
- Assisting with coordination of special event days.
- Counting, recording, reconciling and banking the daily takings.
- Ensuring a positive and team oriented working environment for the volunteers.
- Operating the Flexischools online ordering system.
- Workplace Health and Safety compliance.

### ESSENTIAL CRITERIA

- Experience with food preparation and basic baking skills.
- Ability to practice safe food handling and preparation and cleanliness to meet the requirements of the Food Standards Code.
- Demonstrated organisational skills and ability to work in a fast-paced environment.
- Experience working as part of a team.
- Ability to lead and educate volunteers with organisational and food preparation skills.
- Strong communication skills and ability to engage with students, volunteers, staff, the school community and P&C Association.
- Sound cash handling and banking skills.
- Computer literacy.
- A positive approach to work, willingness to learn and ability to follow direction.
- Knowledge of the Healthy Schools Canteen Strategy.
- Safe food handling or similar certification or willingness to obtain.
- Awareness of Workplace Health and Safety.

The successful applicant will need to possess a current paid Working with Children Check and National Police Check.

**Apply by 5:00pm Thursday, 20 May 2021** with a resume and cover letter addressing the essential criteria.

Please also include two current referees and send your application to:

The Secretary, Singleton Heights Public School P&C. Email: [singletonheightspandc@gmail.com](mailto:singletonheightspandc@gmail.com)