# SINGLETON HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 4

Week 4

4th November 2022





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#### **Relieving Principal's Report - Mrs Cummings**

What a fantastic day we had at last Friday's school Fete. The children had a ball and enjoyed buying treats, eating yummy food, playing games, going on rides and spending time with family and friends. We were also treated to a performance by our combined schools band, who played for us at the Fete opening. Thank you to everyone who came along and enjoyed the day with us, and also to those organisations who supported us and contributed to the Fete's success. A big thank you to our P&C Executive and members, Mrs Dagg and Mr Gizzi, for their organisation of the Fete. A huge task but I'm sure you will agree, very well done by them all. Congratulations to those students who have received awards at Primary assembly this week, and welcome back to our students who have been away at Stewart House, returning today after two weeks of fun and adventure in Sydney.









#### <u>Uniform</u>

School uniform should be worn to school every day by all students. Shorts, socks, jumpers, shirts and hats that are not school colours or uniform, should not be worn to school. Red joggers are also not a part of the school uniform. As the weather gets warmer, students are reminded to bring a bucket hat to school to wear when in the playground. Our aim this year was to have as many students as possible wearing a sun safe bucket hat during play breaks, and we are happy to say that we have achieved that. Of the bucket hats being worn, some are school bucket hats, and some are not. In 2023, all students will be required to wear the school bucket hat at play breaks, and we ask for your support in ensuring that your child has the correct hat for 2023. A reminder that caps are not suitable for school as they are not sun safe. Please leave caps at home for after school use.

#### Selective High School Year 7 2024

The Selective High School application website is now open until 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022. Selective High Schools cater for high potential and intellectually gifted students. They help students learn by:

- grouping them with other gifted students,
- using special teaching methods so students can learn concepts in more detail and more quickly, and
- supporting their wellbeing.

For more information follow the link: education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc

Apply at: shsoc.education.nsw.gov.au

Our Vision: POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS, HIGH EXPECTATIONS, AUTHENTIC LEARNING

#### **Cooler Classrooms**

We now have fully installed and operational Cooler Classrooms equipment, thanks to the NSW government investment of more than \$500 million dollars over five years to improve indoor comfort and air quality in public schools around the state. Reverse-cycle air conditioning will now keep learning spaces comfortable during summer and winter, while fans and fresh air ventilation systems maintain healthy air quality. By creating healthy and comfortable learning environments at our school, our students can focus on what matters – learning.

#### Attendance - Every Day Matters

Consistent attendance improves student outcomes, increases career options, and helps students build relationships and confidence.

#### 95% attendance

Students are expected to have above a 95% <u>school attendance</u> rate, because days missed is years lost. That's why making sure your child comes to school every single day (unless genuinely sick) is so important.

#### **Holiday time**

Please remember, holidays should only be booked during school breaks. Students should be at school every day during school term, right from the first day until the last.

#### Safe learning environment

We know that the last couple of years have been tough, and we will continue to prioritise student's health and wellbeing by listening to health advice, providing support and maintaining a safe learning environment.

#### Some reminders:

- If your child misses school due to illness, religious reasons, family circumstances, or other reasons, remember to contact the school within 7 days to explain the reason for absence.
- If your child arrives at school late or needs to leave early, you will need to go to the school office to sign your child in or out and explain the reason for the absence.
- If you're having difficulty getting your child to school and on time every day, contact the school for support.





# **Curriculum Support**

#### Mathematics K-2

#### The new Mathematics Syllabus K- 2: what is new?

Next year, K-2 teachers start to teach from the new syllabuses for mathematics and English. This week, we are looking at some of the new language from the maths syllabus.

The three area names that students build their knowledge, skills and understanding around, have slightly changed. They are called:

- Number and Algebra
- Measurement and Space (Previously—Measurement and Geometry)
- Statistics and Probability

Within these areas, the Focus Area names have changed.

#### New Mathematics Syllabus K- 2

Focus Areas Outcome Names

#### 1. Number and Algebra

- Representing Whole Numbers
- Combining and separating quantities
- Forming Groups

#### 2. Measurement and Space

Geometric measure

- Position
- Length
- Fractions

Two-dimensional(2D) spatial structure

- Two-dimensional Space
- Area

Three-dimensional (3D) spatial structure

- Three-dimensional Space
- Volume
- Mass
- Time

#### 3. Statistics and Probability

- Data
- Chance

#### Previous Maths Syllabus K- 6

Strand Outcome Names

#### 1. Number and Algebra

- Whole numbers
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division

#### 2. Measurement and Geometry

- Length
- Area
- Volume and Capacity
- Mass
- Time
- Three-dimensional Space
- Two-dimensional Space
- Position

#### 3. Statistics and Probability

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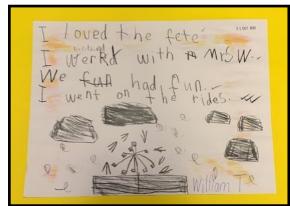
# Fete Fun





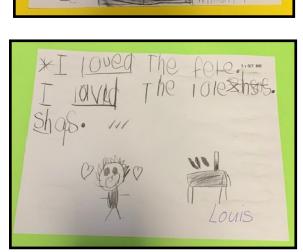


















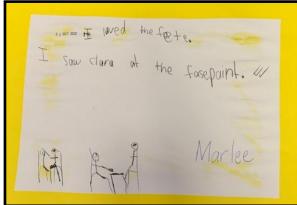






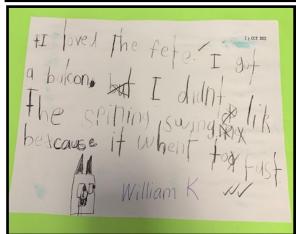


























### Defence School Mentor

### Singleton Heights Public School

A Defence School Mentor (DSM) provides assistance and support to the children of Australian Defence Force members as they move from school to school and during times of parental absence.

The DSM would develop and implement a range of resources and activities to assist these children and their families to integrate into the school community and to increase their ability to cope with the military lifestyle.

This is a contract position until 30 June 2023.

The continuation of the position beyond this date is dependent on funding from the Australian Department of Defence.

The DSM is an employee of Singleton Heights Public School and is responsible to the school Principal or nominee for everyday activities.

Interested applicants may obtain a copy of the DSM role description and selection criteria from the school office.

For information relating to this position please contact Jo Tucker on (02) 6573 1363 or joanne.tucker2@det.nsw.edu.au

Applications close 16th November 2022 4pm



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Class	Student			
3R	Aria D			
3W	Felicity A			
3/4M	Bailey C			
3/4S	Finlay K			
4B	Jake P			
4L	Sam B			
5G	Rylee G			
50	Charli W			
5S	Monique H			
6B	Axel McT			
6H	Mikayla M			
6T	Tray C			
K-6T	Dusty W			

# Computer Lab Lessons

**Keyboarding**— Just one of the skills students are working on in **Stage 1** and **Stage 2** in computer lessons with **Mrs Baker**.





Stage 1—We are using the typing software to help us learn where the letters are on the keyboard. We are trying to use 2 hands and the correct fingers too.







<u>Stage 2</u>—We are using the typing software to improve our speed and accuracy. This is important for our other computer work.















## DATES TO REMEMBER



7/11	8/11	9/11 Kindergarten Orientation	10/11 Playgroup 9:15-11am Remembrance Assembly 12:40pm In the Flagpole area	11/11 Band and Music lessons
14/11	15/11 P&C Meeting 6pm	16/11 Kindergarten Orientation	17/11 Playgroup 9:15-11am K-2 Assembly 12:50pm	18/11 Band and Music lessons Library Stocktake
21/11 Library Stocktake	22/11 Library Stocktake	23/11 Kindergarten Orientation Library Stocktake	24/11 Playgroup 9:15-11am Children's University Graduation leaving school at 2pm	25/11 Band and Music lessons
28/11	29/11 SRE last day	30/11	1/12 3-6 Assembly 12:50pm	2/12 Band and Music lessons

