

SINGLETON HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 2

Week 9

24th June 2022



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

Excursions, excursions, excursions!!! Our students have been able to experience wonderful extra-curricular opportunities this term, as we can finally participate in our excursion program that has had a hiatus for a couple of years.

Our Year 3 and 4 students participated in their local history excursion on Wednesday, and I hear that the bell tower in town was quite a height to climb! Our Year 5 and 6 Children's University passport holders had the opportunity to visit the University of Newcastle on Wednesday, and our Kindergarten classes visited the Hunter Valley Wildlife Park yesterday!



Parent Portal Access

We are excited to announce that our school will be opening a Parent Portal on our Sentral communication system today. The first component of this portal is to give you access to the 3-Way conference interview process for you and your children to meet with the classroom teachers. **Families will be receiving a letter today**, with the website link and access codes to register for the parent portal. Once you register, you will receive a notification email for you to log in to the Sentral Parent Portal. From there, you will be able to access your child's classroom teacher interview day and select a time for your interview. It is that simple. Look out for the letter coming home today.

Families that require a second access code for separated parents, will need to contact the school, if they do not receive one with their academic reports, or you have recently had this change in family circumstances. We will endeavour to do our utmost to ensure you all receive an access code to be able to get an opportunity to talk to your child's classroom teacher.

SENTRAL FAMILY PORTAL APP

You can also access the Parent Portal via the Sentral Parent Portal app, which is available to download.

How to register



Our Vision: POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS, HIGH EXPECTATIONS, AUTHENTIC LEARNING

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Teacher's Industrial Action

As noted in recent media releases, the NSW Teacher's Federation and the Independent Education Union will be taking industrial action next Thursday, 30th June. At this stage, our school will be operating with only minimal supervision for students on this day. More information will be posted to our Skoolbag and Facebook pages in the coming days.

Attendance and Explained Absences

As part of the NSW Department of Education's Attendance Policy, it is mandatory for schools to clarify unexplained absences with parents of children, within 7 days of the absence. It is vital that you call the school office to report your child's absence from school. If your child is not at school, and you have not notified the school, you will receive a text message from the school indicating your child has an unexplained absence for that day. Replying to this text message is one way of communicating the absence to the school. With the new Parent Portal/App that we are launching, you will be able to see your child's attendance status and report any unexplained absences from there.

Academic Reports –Change of Date

Student Academic Reports for Semester 1 will be going home on **Wednesday, 29th June** (Week 10). We are using the online Parent Portal to schedule 3-way conferences with parents, students, and teachers early in Term 3, to discuss Semester 2 learning goals for students.

PBL Rewards Day and Mari Badge Pizza Lunch

The PBL Rewards Day for Term 3 will now be held on Wednesday, 29th June and the Pizza Lunch for Mari badge recipients for Term 3 will also be held on Wednesday, 29th June.



Staff Planning Days

Your child's classroom teacher will be participating in a collaborative planning day in the last week of school this term. This provides valuable preparation time for teachers to plan consistent lessons and units of work across their grades and stages.

Last day of Term 2

The last day of Term 2 is Friday, 1st July. The Term 3 school term begins on Monday, 18th July with a Staff Development Day. Most of the SHPS staff will be travelling to King St Public School to participate in a Visible Wellbeing showcase and conference to finalise the last of our professional learning activities in this great initiative. Students return to school on Tuesday, 19th July.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS AT SHPS

OUR GOAL IS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS ATTENDING SCHOOL FOR MORE THAN 90% OF THE TIME

Our School Times

- School starts 9.10am
- Recess Eating Time 11.10am - 11.20am
- Recess Play Time 11.20am - 11.50am
- Lunch Eating Time 1.20pm - 1.30pm
- Lunch Play Time 1.30pm - 2.00pm
- School finishes 3.10pm

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

Minutes lost = days lost per year

A couple of minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...



Patterns of lateness can have a serious impact on your child's education.

Are your contact details up to date?

**Please contact the school office
on 65731363 if any changes
need to be made.**



Playgroup

Will not be on
next Thursday
30/6/22.

We look forward
to seeing you all
next Term.



In Library we love to Read



Our journey so far in 3/4S!



SINGLETON NAIDOC Family Fun Day 2022
 Wednesday 6th July
 Singleton Show Ground
 10-3pm

- Welcome Ceremony & Flag Raise
- Free BBQ
- Cultural Activities
- Koori oke, Jumping castles, & More
- 30 + Services & Community Stalls
- Elders Tent

MACH Energy
 Mount Pleasant Operation

GET UP! STAND UP! SHOW UP!



Last week Bradley L represented our school with the Upper Hunter signing choir when they participated in Star Struck in Newcastle. It was the 30th year that The Department of Education has put on the show and it was a wonderful performance. Well done, Bradley.



DATES TO REMEMBER



27/6	28/6	29/6 Mari Pizza lunch PBL Bingo and Rewards Day	30/6 Industrial Action Minimal Supervision	1/7 Band and lessons Last day of Term
4/7 School Holidays	5/7 School Holidays	6/7 School Holidays	7/7 School Holidays	8/7 School Holidays
11/7 School Holidays	12/7 School Holidays	13/7 School Holidays	14/7 School Holidays	15/7 School Holidays
18/7 Staff Development Day	19/7 Students Return	20/7	21/7	22/7



**TUE 12/7
WED 13/7
THU 14/7**
8:30am-11:30am
\$30/DAY
\$80/3 DAYS

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Singleton Square, 1 Gowrie Street
13 to 15 July

Wednesday 1 to 6.30 pm
Thursday 1 to 6.30 pm
Friday 9.30 am to 3.00 pm

give blood

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AT THE YOUTH VENUE

The Youth Venue is open Tuesday to Friday | 9am-6pm during the school holidays for young people aged 11 - 17

WHAT'S ON WEEK 1

SEWING BASICS

Tuesday 5 July | 11am + 2pm

Make your very own heat pack. Perfect for the chilly months ahead.

ABSTRACT ART

Thursday 7 July | 11am

Create your very own unique art piece. Learn to use some different textures and techniques with a range of mediums.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS™

Wednesday 6 July | 11am-6pm

Come in and play Dungeons & Dragons where all players are welcome, be they new players or seasoned adventurers. Multiple adventures will be happening so take your pick on the day.

MINUTE TO WIN IT

Friday 8 July | Multiple sessions
11am, 1pm + 3pm

Easy to learn, hard to master! Complete challenges in under one minute to win prizes!



WHAT'S ON WEEK 2

BASKETBALL COMP + BBQ

Tuesday 12 July | 11am

Will your team be 'king of the court'? Win prizes!

BUILD SOLAR LIGHTS WITH SOLARBUDDY

Wednesday 13 July
11.30am - 12.30pm

Come along and build solar-powered lights for children living overseas without electricity.

LASER TAG SESSIONS

Thursday 14 July | Multiple sessions
11am, 1pm + 3pm

Dodging lasers while shooting lasers! Eliminate your opponent before your opponent eliminates you!

DRONE WORKSHOP

Friday 15 July | 11am

Learn the basics of safely flying a small drone. After you get the hang of the basics, we will show you some tips and tricks.

ALL ages activity
FREE pizza lunch provided
Bookings via [eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com)

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