# SINGLETON HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 3 Week 9

16th September 2022





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## Relieving Principal's Report - Ms Rose

Another busy week of great learning and fun this week. There are a number of extra-curricular activities that have been taking place for students this term, including chess club, choir, dance, lego club, computers, library, coding, robotics, board games, art and craft, sport and Positive Playground activities. It is a credit to the staff and Year 6 students for organising a great variety of activities to engage our students in areas of interest to them.

#### **New Relieving Principal for Term 4**

After careful consideration of all applicants for the position of Relieving Principal at SHPS, the selection panel, convened by our Director, has recommended that **Kim Cummings** be offered the position, and she has subsequently accepted this offer. We look forward to Kim joining the team next term from Kurri Kurri PS.

#### **New Gardens**

Mr Gizzi has been hard at work, beautifying our gardens this week with lots of plants which Miss Harden went to the effort of organising and bringing to school. We will soon have lots of colourful flowers blooming.







### Year 3 and 4 Excursion

Our Year 3 and 4 teachers and students along with Mrs Rees and Mrs Winsor will be heading off to Sydney next week on Tuesday for their excursion visiting Taronga Zoo. Students will need to be at school at 6.15am and will be leaving on the buses at 6.30am. They will need to be in school uniform and bring along their bucket hat and enough food and drink for the day. The buses will return by approximately 5:30pm, to make the most of the wonderful day in Sydney. What a wonderful experience this will be for them.

#### **PBL Rewards Day**

Our Term 3 PBL Bingo game and our rewards day will be held next Wednesday, 21st September. Our PBL Bingo game will be held in the morning session and during the middle session, students who are eligible to participate, will get to choose, or be involved in a rotation of fun activities, to reward them for their great behaviour throughout the term. If a child has had more than two visits to consequence room, or been issued with suspension or suspension warning, they are not eligible to participate. These students will be involved in regular classroom work during this time, supervised by Mrs Linsley.

Our Vision: POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS, HIGH EXPECTATIONS, AUTHENTIC LEARNING

#### Mari Badge recipients

Congratulations to the many students, who received their Mari Badge last week, many of whom received their second bronze badge. These students, and a few others, have received invitations to the Principal's lunch with me, which will be held next Wednesday. We currently have a full cohort of students attending this lunch, and due to restrictions on amounts of students in particular spaces, any students who collect 15 Mari awards before the end of the term will be invited to the Term 4 Pizza Lunch.



#### **Public Holiday**

Following the recent passing of Queen Elizabeth II, Prime Minister Anthony Albanese has announced that Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September will be a one-off public holiday as a National Day of Mourning.

#### **School Fete**

Our annual School Fete is fast approaching and our P&C are busily organising what should be a wonderful day. The Fete will be held on Friday, 28th October from 11am, inside the school grounds. There will be a variety of food options, fun rides, activities and novelties, face painting and lots of other interesting stalls. This is a great family day out, so lock in the date and get ready to have some fun. Remember that if you would like to be involved in the organisation of the fete, please contact Alison Dagg our Community Liaison Officer on 6573 1363.



#### Show Bags

A reminder that if your child/children would like a showbag on Fete Day you will need to pre-order them. Showbags cost \$8 each with 6 to choose from. The showbag/s ordered will then be delivered to your child's classroom on the morning of the fete. This ensures that your child/children will get to choose and get the showbag that they want. A note with all the information about these, including the order form was sent out a couple of weeks ago. If you don't want your child/children to miss out please return the order form with **correct money** (cash only) to the office by next Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> September.

#### **P&C Meeting**

The next P&C Meeting will be held next Tuesday evening, from 6:00pm in the school staff room. Please come along and share your thoughts, particularly with the fete fast approaching.



#### **Children's University**

A reminder to our students who are participating in our Children's University program to keep visiting either Mrs Caelli or Mrs Mungoven to have their extra-curricular activities that students are participating in, entered into their passports. The last day for recording hours in student's passports is Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October. If student's don't reach a minimum of 30 hours they won't be graduating this year.

#### K-2 Character Strengths Carnival

Due to wet weather, our K-2 Strengths Carnival sadly had to be postponed today. This event will now be held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September, starting at 12pm and concluding at 2.50pm. All of Kindergarten, Year One and Year Two children will be involved. Parents and family members are very welcome to attend this and watch their child/children and share a picnic lunch with them. Our Canteen will only be able to service the students on the day, due to limited staff. If students want to then go and play, we ask that if parents stay then they remain in the grassed area by the flag poles for the remainder of the lunch break, rather than walking around the school grounds.

















Kinder Buddies









# **Curriculum Support**

# Kindergarten—helping your child at home with Mathematics

These ideas can help parents support your Kindergarten children at home with some tips based on the focus areas of representing whole numbers and combining and separating quantities from the new mathematics syllabus that will be implemented in 2023.

## Number and algebra—Representing whole numbers

Representing whole numbers focuses on how whole numbers show quantity and reading and representing numerals to at least 20.

You can help your Kindergarten child at home by:

- helping them represent numbers from 0 to 10 with words, numerals and finger patterns. For example, the number 5 would be represented as 'five', 5 and  $^{(1)}$
- using household items to represent numbers 0 to 20. For example, counting out 15 pegs, 9 pencils, 11 marbles or 5 lollies
- counting objects you see while you are out walking. For example, you might count how many dogs you see, fence palings or flowers on a plant
- counting backwards by ones when your child is confident counting forwards. Practise the 'Rocket ship countdown 10-1 Blast-off
- using dice in board games to identify the number pattern
- playing a game of Bingo with the numbers 1 to 20
- playing Snap with a deck of cards
- identifying numbers on coins or letterboxes.

# Combining and separating quantities

Combining and separating quantities focuses on addition and subtraction and number pairs which make 10.

You can help your Kindergarten child at home by:

- playing adding and subtracting board games such as Snakes and Ladders
- using a deck of playing cards to add two number cards together from the same suit. For example, 4 hearts added to 3 hearts is 7 hearts. Count all the hearts by ones, from one, to begin. Alternatively, start the count from the largest number, as in 4 5, 6, 7
- using Lego pieces to model addition and subtraction. For example, start with 5 blue Lego pieces connected.
   Now connect 4 more red Lego pieces. How many are there altogether? Now take 2 red Lego pieces away.
   How many are left?
- playing Ten Pin Bowling with toilet rolls and a tennis ball for a subtraction game. Count how many pins have fallen down and how many are left standing
- getting to know number bonds, or 'friends of 10', which are number pairs which add together to make 10. These number pairs are 1 and 9, 2 and 8, 3 and 7, 4 and 6, 5 and 5.











# DATES TO REMEMBER



19/9	20/9 Strengths Carnival K-2 starts at12pm Stage 2 (Year 3&4) Zoo Excursion departing 6:30am P&C Meeting 6PM	21/9 Uniform Shop 8:45-9:15am PBL Rewards Pizza Lunch	22/9 Public Holiday	23/9 Band & music lessons Last Day of Term 3
26/9 School Holidays	27/9 School Holidays	28/9 School Holidays <u>NAIDIC Family</u> <u>Day 10am -3pm</u>	29/9 School Holidays Last day to claim BIG Childcare - see below voucher	30/9 School Holidays
3/10 School Holidays Public Holiday	4/10 School Holidays	5/10 School Holidays	6/10 School Holidays	7/10 School Holidays
10/10 Term 4 - Students and Staff return	11/10	12/10	13/10	14/10

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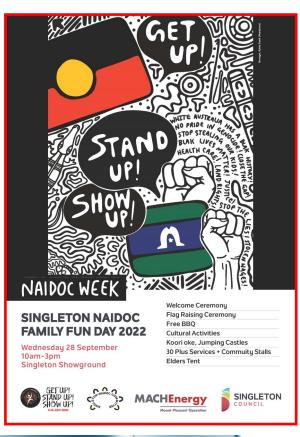
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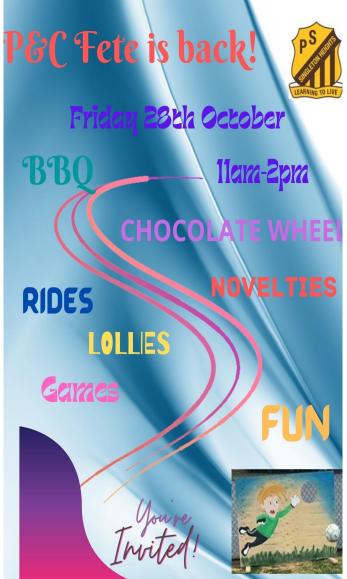






enjoy a morning of skills, drills, For players play netball and a sausage sizzle. Date: Saturday 17th September 2022 7-12yrs Time: 9am - 12:30pm Cost: FREE! Venue: SNA Netball Courts

For registration and further information visit our Facebook page or







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Breakfast Club

Students can enjoy Breakfast Club from Monday to Thursday.

It's a great way to catch up with friends to start the school day.

Breakfast Club is open from 8.30 to 9.00.