

Newsletter to Parents

SINGLETON PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Week 6 Term 4

QUALITY RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY

12 NOVEMBER 2014

What an amazing show our students put on for the whole school community in their production of "Sleeping Beauty". Congratulations to the whole cast and crew who have dedicated a lot of time and hard work over the past term and a half to create such a professional show. These productions are a wonderful event that really bring out the absolute best in our students and create everlasting memories. A massive thank you to Mrs Merrick (the Director) and her "left hand lady" Mrs Dibben for their ongoing brilliance in putting together such a masterpiece. Thank you also to Mrs Hackett, Mr Andrews, Mrs Bell and Mrs Barry for their time and effort in creating this year's pantomime.

This week is another busy week with our school Intensive Swimming Scheme kicking off for Year 2 and some Year 3-6 students. This is a brilliant program due to the success rate of students being able to achieve a life-long skill in swimming. It is really important that our students listen and learn so that by the end of the two weeks all students will be able to swim.

The Songroom Program, in conjunction with Coal & Allied, are today kicking off our school Mosaic. Lisa and a wonderful group of parent volunteers have smashed and collated tiles to assist our students in the presentation of the mosaic. If you are interested in volunteering some time to help out then please see the attached timetable in the newsletter.

It was a real exciting time for a group of new Kindergartens who visited our school for their first Kinder Orientation day. It is wonderful to see new faces and siblings of our students join our school community. The parents were treated to a tour of the school and then afternoon tea in the hall. Thank you to our P&C for supplying the afternoon tea. It was greatly appreciated.

Find your true colours and your most supportive team on Friday when all of our students will dress up to support Year 6 student Tess Orton. Tess has been selected to represent Team Singleton and Australia at the International Children's Games at Lake Macquarie in December. To show our support at such an amazing achievement, we have asked all students to come "muffi" as their favourite sporting hero or sporting team for a gold coin donation.

A warm welcome to Olivia who joined KL this week. I'm sure you will have an amazing time here at Singleton Public School.

Jonathan Russell
Relieving Principal



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Calendar of Events	
Wednesday 12 November	Year 2 Intensive Swimming Mosaic Day
Thursday 13 November	Year 2 Intensive Swimming Mosaic Day
Friday 14 November	Year 2 Intensive Swimming Year 6 Surf Life Saving Payment Due Mosaic Day Out of Uniform Day - Go Tess - bring gold coin donation and dress in favourite sports uniform
Monday 17 November	Year 2 Intensive Swimming Mosaic Day
Tuesday 18 November	Aussie Bush Camp Year 2 Intensive Swimming Kinder Transition to school 2.00-3.10 pm K-2 Backyard League free program at school Mosaic Day Book Club orders due back at school
Wednesday 19 November	Year 2 Intensive Swimming Year 5 Aussie Bush Camp Mosaic Day
Thursday 20 November	Year 2 Intensive Swimming Year 5 Aussie Bush Camp Mosaic Day
Friday 21 November	Year 2 Intensive Swimming Year 5 return from Aussie Bush Camp Mosaic Day
Tuesday 25 November	K-2 Backyard League free program at school Kinder Transition 2 - 3.10pm
Thursday 27 November	Active After School Sports concludes for 2014
Friday 28 November	Year 6 Surfing Australia Program
Monday 1 December	Year 6 Canberra Note to go home
Tuesday 2 December	K-2 Backyard League
There is no assembly this week.	

Kindergarten Transition Days

The first of the Kindergarten Transition days was held on Tuesday, 11 November and was a successful afternoon. The next two transition days will be held on Tuesday 18 and 25 November. During this time, the Uniform Shop will be open from 1.30 –3.00 pm.

Go Tess - Out of Uniform Day

On Friday, 14 November we are asking everyone to come dressed in their favourite sports uniform and to donate a gold coin to raise money for Tess Orton who is participating in the Lake Macquarie International Children's Games 2014. **Students must wear sensible footwear.**

We are extremely proud of Tess who has been selected to run in the 100 m, relay and long jump event. Let's get behind her and show her our support!

Band News

I had an amazing 40 children try out an instrument last week. It was wonderful to see so many children enthusiastic to learn an instrument. If your child tried out, they would have brought home a note. Please return the note to either myself or the office. You will need to organise lessons also, which was stated in the letter. The Conservatorium's handbook is available online. Learning a musical instrument is such a fun and valuable experience. I look forward to having new members in the training band next year.

Kristy Dibley
Band Co-ordinator

Year 6 Surfing Program

Payment is due for the Year 6 Surfing Program by this Friday, 14 November.

Book Club

Book Club orders are due back to school on Tuesday, 18 November 2014.

Garden Club

Due to there being no assembly's for the next two weeks, garden club will sell their produce on the verandah at the parsonage on Friday's at 8.40am.

School Magazine

The school magazine has been produced each year for the last few years. It will be created again this year by Mr Syed Alam. If you do not wish your child/ children to appear in the magazine, please complete the return slip on Page 7 of this newsletter and return to the school office as soon as possible.

Thank you

Thank you to Trish Drury for your kind donation of a Casio keyboard for use by our band students.

Mufti Day!

Come dressed in your favourite sports uniform or team colours for a gold coin donation to support Tess in the Lake Macquarie International Children's Games 2014!

Friday 14th November



Scholastic Bookclub

The school receives bookclub order forms from Scholastic which are sent home throughout the year via your child's class teacher. The children are given the return date by their teacher which is usually one or two weeks after the forms are received. The due date will also appear in the calendar on the front page of the newsletter. Should you wish to make an order, please complete all of the details on the order form on the last page of the brochure and return to school with payment in an envelope or zip-lock bag. You can send cash, a cheque made payable to Scholastic Australia or alternatively pay by credit card direct to Scholastic using the instruction below.

Paying Bookclub by Credit Card??

If you would like to pay for your Scholastic Book club orders by credit card please note the following steps to take:

- To make credit card payments faster and more secure you must either pay Scholastic direct by phoning Freecall 1800 557 908 or;
- Online at www.scholastic.com.au/payment;
- A receipt number will then be provided, which needs to be recorded on the bottom of the order coupon and returned to the school office as normal;
- The school then sends that receipt/coupon to Scholastic so they can marry up your order with the payment.

Nutrition Snippet



The simplest way

...to make sandwiches fun

Casey the Caterpillar

Ingredients

- 2 slices wholegrain bread cut into four circles, using a cookie cutter
- 2 slices reduced-fat cheese cut into four circles, using a cookie cutter
- 1 cucumber, sliced
- 1 cherry tomato
- 1 wooden skewer
- 2 raisins/sultanas
- Chives/toothpicks – for antennas



Method

1. Layer bread, cheese and cucumber
2. Slide onto skewer to create body, with a tomato head
3. Cut slits in tomato to add raisin eyes, cucumber mouth and antennas

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at [facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://www.facebook.com/eatittobeatit)



Uniform Shop Roster - Week 7, Term 4 2014

Mon 17/11/14 (8.30 - 9.30 am) Rebecca Hobbs
 Fri 21/11/14 (8.30 - 9.30 am) Kirsten Roxburgh, Sally Menere
 Please contact someone else on the roster if you need to swap your duty.

Canteen Roster - Week 7, Term 4 2014

Mon 17/11/14 2 more helpers please
 Tues 18/11/14 Nadia Brown, Nicole Furness
 Wed 19/11/14 Liz Tudor, Renee MacDonald
 Thurs 20/11/14 Karen Bull, Louise Cuttriss
 Fri 21/11/14 Paula Stokes, Kim Carter, Mandy Ward
 Please advise Nicole Gray if you have any changes to your rostered day.

Information from the DEC

Little Aussie Songsters competition

An Australia Day competition where primary students can video their singing of our national anthem. For further details, visit <http://www.aussievault.com.au/vault/136/detail/little-aussie-songster>.

The competition is now open and will close on **Saturday 14 February 2015**.

Ready for high school

Just to let you know that the Transition to high school, Ready for High School Checklist is now available in 36 languages. Search by language: http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/languagesupport/documents/start_ss/rfhsc.php

Credit Card Payment Slip

The school can accept credit card payments (Visa and Mastercard only) over the phone or by mail. Please note, this is not an EFTPOS facility. EFTPOS (Savings or Cheque a/c) can only be paid over the counter.

This facility can be used to pay school contributions, excursions, uniforms or P&C levy etc. The minimum payment is \$20.00. Building Fund and Library Fund cannot be paid by credit card.

Student's Name: Class:

What are you paying for?

Credit Card Type (please tick one) VISA Mastercard **Amount paying \$.....**

Cardholder Name (as shown on card) Please print in capitals

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Credit Card Number _____

Expiry Date ____ / ____

CSV ____ (last three digits on back of card)

Signature of Cardholder Contact Number:

2014 WHOLE SCHOOL MOSAIC PROJECT
 “Once upon a time in Singleton.....”

Hi Singleton Public School! My name is Lisa, I'm an artist, and Songroom has asked me to help with your school's art project. Mr Crowe, has chosen a 2 x 5 metre mosaic work that the whole school community can contribute to. **No mosaic experience necessary!** We'll be setting up the mosaics in the hall next week. Year 6 students, volunteer parents and carers will be assisting the rest of the school, 1 class at a time to complete the images. We still have tiles to break and sort, so please come along on Thursday and get involved, all welcome!

WHAT: Stained glass window image created from mosaic tiles.

WHY: To celebrate the school's story telling traditions, add visual interest, and integrate old and new buildings.

WHERE: The mosaic will be installed on the brick wall, at the ramp end of the Infants building

HOW: Each class will help create a 70 x70cm mosaic image, to be joined with others and installed on wall at the end of the year.

WHO: Every child in the school will be able to help make this happen, with the assistance of year 6 students, teachers, and volunteer parents/carers.

WHEN: Thursday November 6th- **We need YOU!** Volunteer parents & carers to break & sort tiles at 9am-11.30 & 12.30-3pm in the “Drumming room”. No mosaic experience necessary!

November- 12- 21. Year 6 students, volunteer parents and carers will be assisting each class to work on mosaic images in the hall. We need as many hands as possible. Ask your kids when their class will be going.

December- Installation (dates to be confirmed)

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Mosaic Timetable from 12th – 21st November

Week 6	Monday 10 th	Tuesday 11 th	Wednesday 12 th (Lisa)	Thursday 13 th	Friday 14 th
9.10 – 10.10			Year 6	5E	3/4S
10.10 – 11.10			Year 6	5E	3/4S
Lunch 1					
Lunch 2					
12.00 – 1.30			Year 6	5RV	4A
Recess					
2.00 – 3.00			Year 6	5RV	4A

Week 7	Monday 17 th (Lisa)	Tuesday 18 th	Wednesday 19 th	Thursday 20 th (Lisa)	Friday 21 st
9.10 – 10.10	3H	2P	2Z	2B	KM
10.10 – 11.10	3H	2P	2Z	2B	KS
Lunch 1					
Lunch 2					
12.00 – 1.30	3P	1G	1A	1DL	KL
Recess					
2.00 – 3.00	3P	1G	1A	1DL	Year 6

Pantomime

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Movies Under the Stars

Movies under the stars at Callicoma Hill Eco-cabins (50km north of Singleton), Sat 22 November.

See the classic 1946 Australian feature film 'Bush Christmas', and other shorts from the 1920's to 50's. The films are all very suitable for children. They will be screened on a traditional reel to reel projector with the surrounding forest providing a fitting ambience.

Tickets \$10 adults, \$5 children. Bookings essential.

BYO drinks, comfy chairs or rugs, plus supper to share. Optional BYO picnic or BBQ dinner before the movies begin.

Accommodation is available if required.

Contact Martin & Jan at Callicoma Hill Cabins & Camping, Mt Royal Road, Carrowbrook
Ph 6571 1208 info@calli.com.au
www.calli.com.au



Little Athletics has commenced for the season, but there are still places available across all age groups. Our season runs through until April 2015, so there is still plenty of time to come and enjoy being part of the Singleton Track and Field club! Competition nights every Tuesday from 5.45pm (5.30pm for Tiny Tots)
Tiny Tots \$70, U-6 to Seniors \$90,
Club Singlets \$20.
www.stfc.com.au

Temporary and Casual Teacher's Aides 2015 (SLSOs)

Throughout the year our school has limited employment opportunities for experienced casual and/or temporary teachers' aides (School Learning Support Officers).

As this is a paid position (approximately \$28.54 per hour for casual employment) we would like to invite suitably experienced or qualified people to provide an expression of interest to the school. In **one page** please outline:-

- Your experience or qualifications to fulfil this position;
- Specific knowledge or understanding of children with additional learning needs.
- First Aid, Working with Children Checks and previous experience are highly desirable.
- Two referees that can attest to your ability to work well with children.
- Written application addressed to the Principal by 3.30 pm on Thursday, 13 November.

Any queries, please contact Kerrie Burns in the school office.

Please note you will be contacted by the school if we require further information or if your application has been accepted.

David Crowe, Principal



6th December 2014
5.00pm — 9.00pm

Community Carols
@
The Heights

Free Family Event

Sausage sizzle & drink, face painting, jumping castles, bands, entertainment, carols and fireworks

Bring a chair or rug to sit on and enjoy a stress free night




Held at Alan Bull Reserve
Crn Bridgman Rd & Acacia Cirt
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Contact for more info:
Linda Butler 041113059

Highlights

- ◆ Singleton Town Band
- ◆ mainly music
- ◆ One Accord
- ◆ Quiz Worx puppet show
- ◆ Carols by Singleton Baptist Church



If wet will be held at Singleton Baptist Church

Pantomime Continued

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PHOTOGRAPHS IN SCHOOL MAGAZINE

My child/ren listed below ARE NOT to have their name or photograph published in the 2015 school magazine:

..... of class

..... of class

..... of class

Signed: Parent/Guardian

Dated:

Class work by KS

By Bailey



By Polly



By Campbell

By Sheridyn



By Chad



By Frankie

