

Newsletter to Parents

SINGLETON PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Week 10 Term 1

QUALITY RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY

2 APRIL 2014

Harmony Day has been a great day for our school enabling students and staff to gain unique insights into a number of different cultures and nations. Included in the nations discussed were Switzerland, the United States of America, Portugal, Nepal, Papua New Guinea, Japan, Taiwan and India as well as a display Aboriginal cultural artefacts. With the support of Coles, all children had the opportunity to try a range of smallgoods from different lands including cheese, meats and other delicacies. The staff from Coles also prepared a barbeque tasting plate of various cultural based sausages and kangaroo.

We were also fortunate to have staff from Singleton Library in attendance to share a number of stories from various lands. In addition, we had a number of community members also in attendance talking about their cultural backgrounds, home lands and traditional dress including Germany, the Philippines and parts of South America.

It is encouraging to see the high level of turn-out for the parent-teacher interviews being conducted this week. At Singleton Public School our staff conduct a formal interview in the first half of the year and produce a written report at the end of term two and term four. Parents and carers are welcome to contact the school to arrange additional meetings with staff to discuss concerns or progress throughout the year.

As parents from 2P will be aware Mrs Price is away on Long Service Leave. Miss Meg Drinan has been engaged to cover Mrs Price and will be closely following her teaching program. If parents from 2P have any specific issues they may discuss these with Miss Drinan or phone the Office to arrange an appointment with Mrs Launders the Assistant Principal responsible for this grade.

A warm welcome to two new members of our school community; hello and welcome to Rubybelle and Frankie in 1DL and KS. Already both girls have made several new friends and have settled into our school well.

David Crowe
Principal

Calendar of Events

Wednesday 2 April	Harmony Day - out of uniform - gold coin donation Military Museum Payments due (covered by Supercover) P&C Meeting 7pm in School Library
Thursday 3 April	Parent / Teacher Interviews - 3P, KS, 3H and 6M Zone Cross Country
Friday 4 April	Hunter Winter Trials Parent / Teacher Interviews - 1G, KM and 5E
Monday 7 April	Military Museum - Years 4, 1, 6 (covered by Supercover) Easter raffle 1st break under the COLA
Tuesday 8 April	Military Museum - Years 5, 3, 2 (covered by Supercover)
Wednesday 9 April	Military Museum - Kindergarten (covered by Supercover)
Thursday 10 April	Easter Parade under the COLA starting at 10.30am
Friday 11 April	Canberra Final Payments due Last Day of Term 1
Friday 25 April	ANZAC March (School Holidays)
Monday 28 April	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 29 April	First day of Term 2 for students
Wednesday 30 April	Anzac Day assembly at school
Monday 5 May	After School Sports resumes for Term 2

**This week's assembly will be hosted by 2B
at the starting time of 12.45pm.**

School Crossing Near Miss Register

All parents and community members are encouraged to register with the school all cases of near misses on the School Crossings on Elizabeth and Hunter streets. The school is working with Singleton Shire Council to develop a proposal to upgrade the safety of these crossings and we need to produce relevant data.

When you contact the Office please list the street you were on; the approximate time; and the direction the vehicle was travelling. The Office can be contacted on 6571 2250.



**Education &
Communities**

ANZAC Day March

Marchers from Kindergarten to Year 6 are invited to participate in the ANZAC Day March to be conducted on Friday, 25th April down the main street of Singleton. This is a great tradition in which we can demonstrate our pride and respect to an important sector of our community. Students will need to be in full school uniform. Staff will be on-site to organise and march with our students.

All students are to meet at the Bailey's Union Park, John Street at 10.15 am and be ready to march at 10.30 am. The march will conclude at the Civic Centre where the official Anzac Service will be held on "The Civic Green" at 11.00 am. Students can be collected after they have marched and before the Service commences. It will be up to parents if they wish their child to participate in the service.

When: Friday 25th April.

Where: All students (K-6) meet at Bailey's Union Park, John Street.

Wearing: Full school uniform

Time: Arrive at by 10.15 am ready to march at 10.30 am

Canteen News

Just a reminder that there is a canteen meeting on Wednesday 2nd April starting at 6pm. Hope to see you there.

Positive Behaviour for Learning – PBL

Speaking in a friendly, polite manner and respectful interaction with visitors!

"Good morning."

"How do you do?"

"Can I help you?"

Three simple phrases that all of us should be using on a regular basis. It is important for us to demonstrate to our children how and when to use these types of phrases so that they learn the social niceties expected in our society. One of the simplest skills that we are reinforcing this week is to say Hi with a smile!

Canberra Excursion

The Year 6 Canberra excursion is fast approaching. Full payment is required at the office by **Friday 11 April** (last day of Term 1). Please contact the office if you have any queries regarding payments. Instalments can still be made up until the 11 April.

Easter Hat Parade and Raffle

On Thursday, 10 April the school will be having an Easter Hat Parade under the COLA starting at 10.30am. Parents and students are welcome to create their own hats or some classes may even make their own. There will also be a Easter Egg basket to be raffled on the day. Tickets for the raffle can be purchased under the Cola at 1st lunch starting on Monday 7th April. Tickets will be @1.00 per ticket or \$2.00 for 3 tickets.

Majestic Cinemas Colouring Activity

Attached to the last page of the newsletter is a colouring sheet for the children to colour in and take into the Majestic Cinemas Singleton to receive a special discounted movie voucher to use across the upcoming holiday period. The colouring sheets will be displayed in the foyer of the cinema over the 2 weeks.

P&C Meeting Agenda 2nd April 2014

1. Opening
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of Minutes of P&C Meeting held on 6th Mar (Rebecca Hobbs)
4. Correspondence (Rebecca Hobbs)
5. Treasurer's Report (Donna Croft)
6. Band Report (Jan Falding)
7. Canteen Report (Nicole Gray)
8. Uniform Shop (Cindy Dippel)
9. Magazine (Syed Alam)
10. Playground Design Team (Rob Ella)
11. Principal's Report (David Crowe)
12. General Business:
 - a) Uniform Shop Operation
 - b) P&C Promotion (newsletter, minutes posted on website)

DATE OF NEXT MEETING → Wednesday 7th May

 **Nutrition Snippet**

The simplest way

...to create a healthier lunch box

Choose these simple, tasty options for your child's lunchbox to give them the energy to get through the day.

When you next pack their lunches, have a think about healthier options.



Snacks	Healthier Snacks
Small packets of savoury bikkies	Wholemeal rice crackers with cheese + fruit slices
Buttered popcorn	Unbuttered popcorn with sultanas
Packet of potato or corn chips	Veggie sticks: carrots, beans, celery with a hummus or guacamole dip

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



Uniform Shop Roster - Week 11 Term 1 2014

Mon 7/4/14 (8.30 - 9.30 am) Tammie Cox, Rebecca Hobbs

Fri 11/4/14 (8.30 - 9.30 am) Kim Carter

Please contact someone else on the roster if you need to swap your duty.

Canteen Roster - Week 11, Term 1 2014

Mon 7/4/14 Mary Franks, Anna Adamthwaite

Tues 8/4/14 Rebecca Hobbs, 1 more helper please

Wed 9/4/14 Kerry Anne Baker, Kellie Della-Ca

Thurs 10/4/14 Tanith Bell, Teresea Mexon

Fri 11/4/14 Jenna Pfeiffer, Robyn Skinner

Please advise Nicole Gray if you have any changes to your rostered day.

Information from the DEC

What makes a good book for young kids?

Books with vivid imagery, exciting stories and strong characters will not only entertain your child but set them up to enjoy reading for the rest of their life.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/zh/homework-and-study/english/my-book-club/what-makes-a-good-book-for-young-kids>

Helping kids learn how to make friends

If children are happy socially they tend to be more engaged in their learning. Teaching your child about the importance of making friends is as vital as learning their ABCs.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/how-friendships-boost-your-childs-learning>

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

Turn up to
vote for the
People's
Choice
Award!

Watch screenings of
short film entries in each
competition category PLUS
feature films. FREE!

BLUE HEELER FILM FESTIVAL

13-16 April 2014



Sunday 13 April Muswellbrook Race Club

Outdoor family event
from 3.00pm with live
music, food stalls, Silks
Markets AND movies! You
will find the Junior
category competition
entries entertaining.

Feature film:
Monsters University
2013 / Rated G / 104 min

Bring a warm blanket and chairs for outdoor
events. No BYO alcohol. Children under 15 must
be accompanied by a parent/adult guardian.
Fundraising for Relay For Life.

Monday 14 April Highbrook Park

Live music and local
radio emcee will
keep you entertained
till dusk. Then from
5.50pm watch Senior
competition entries
PLUS the feature film.

Feature film:
Warm Bodies
2013 / Rated M / 98 min

Tuesday 15 April Muswellbrook Regional Arts Centre

Starts at 5.30pm. Dress
up for an evening of
indulgence. Sample
local food and wine
before settling down
to view short film
competition entries
for the Open category.

ABC Open presentation:
Upper Hunter Stories
from 10.00pm / 60 min.

Wednesday 16 April Two Rivers Wines

AWARDS NIGHT starts
at 5.30pm. Who will win
the ultimate prize -
THE BLUE? Watch all
short film category
winners plus a classic
Australian feature
film under the stars.

Feature film:
The Sapphires
2012 / Rated PG / 103 min

A special thank you to Harvey Norman Muswellbrook for their assistance with supplying competition prizes.

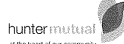
Check website for details. www.BlueHeelerFilmFest.info

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Holiday Tennis Clinics

April 2014



WEEK 1 CLINIC

Tuesday 15th, Wednesday 16th &
Thursday 17th April 2014



WEEK 2 CLINIC

Tuesday 22nd, Wednesday 23rd &
Thursday 24th April 2014

Ages 3 - 15 yrs

- Fun games
- Learn the basics
- No tennis experience required
- Racquets available if needed

Half Day Clinic: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
\$35 per day OR
\$89 for the 3 day clinic

Full Day Clinic: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
\$55 per day OR
\$149 for the 3 day clinic

BOOK NOW!

www.huntertennisacademy.com.au

02 6572 3889

Info@huntertennisacademy.com.au

Boundary street, Singleton NSW



Baerami Bush Dance, Sat 5 April

Baerami Hall, Bylong Valley Way
via Sandy Hollow, Upper Hunter.
Join our family bush dance with
traditional music played acousti-
cally by Singleton & Hunter musicians. Dances
explained. BYO dinner and supper to share. Danc-
ing starts 7.30pm. Camp at the hall if needed.
Guided bushwalk on Sunday morning.
Cost \$15 adult (prebooked at
www.trybooking.com/EFNA) or \$20 at door. Chil-
dren free.

Contact Martin & Jan Ph 6571 1208 [in-](mailto:info@calli.com.au)
fo@calli.com.au www.calli.com.au
or find Baerami Bush Dance on Facebook



Become a CHESS HERO



Chess Workshop

Learn cool techniques to outsmart your opponents. Chess Wizard,
David Absalom will facilitate the morning sharing his expert
knowledge of the game.

9am to 12noon Saturday, 5 April 2014
Singleton Public Library
Gold coin donation

TWO EVENTS
WITH DAVID ABSALOM
CHESS WIZARD
Great prizes

Chess Tournament

Battle it out with other under 18s in a Chess Tournament
umpired by David Absalom

9am to 12noon Saturday, 12 April 2014
Singleton Public Library
Gold coin donation

RSVP rstalker@singleton.nsw.gov.au or 6571 4687



Congratulations to our assembly award winners for Term 1 Week 9, 2014

CLASS AWARD RECIPIENTS K - 6

Assembly Awards

KL	Jack Ella	KM	Ashton Lily
KS	Chad Bailey	1A	Tyler Borden
1G	Taj Donny	1DL	Charlie Laila
2B	Blake Lucy	2P	Jacques Lucas
2Z	Max Jack	3H	Amber Miller Ciara
3P	Clayton Jack	3/4S	Tairawa Lucie
4A	Braedyn Ameila	5E	Campbell Maddison
5RV	Appi Ethan Jayden	6D	Zaynab Kye Reece
6M	Chelsea Garcie Andrew	Support Unit	Sakura Amber

Singleton Stars

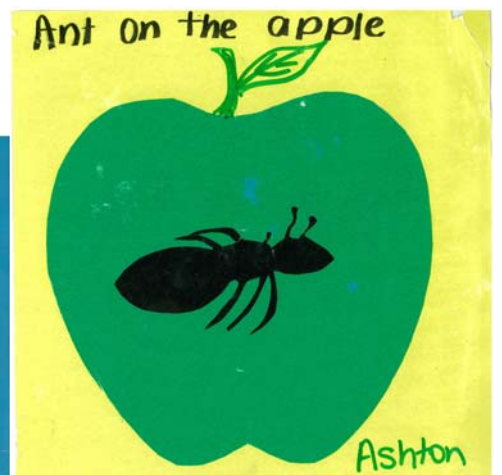
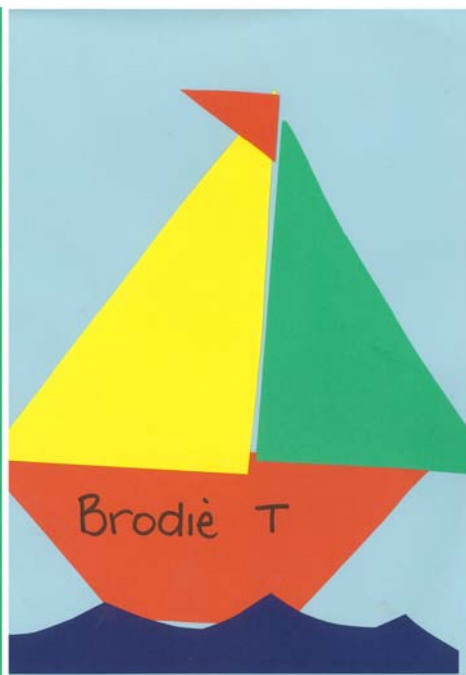
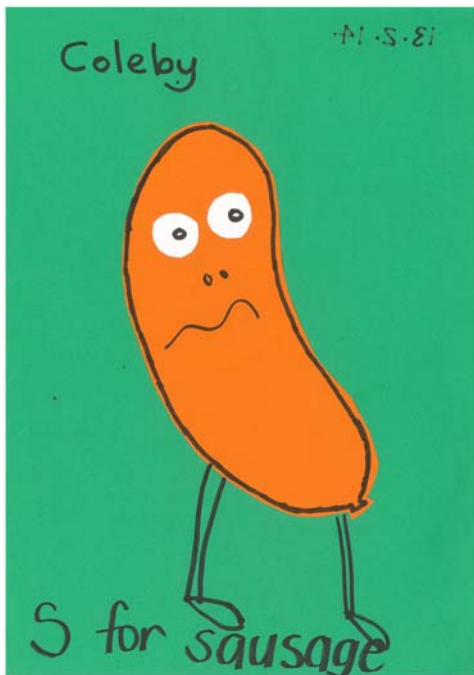
Early Stage 1	Clancy - KS	Stage 1	Clancy - 2P
Stage 2	Rylan - 3H	Stage 3	Jules - 5E

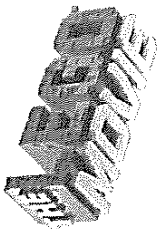
Super Citizens

KS	Arthur	3/4S	Holly
1G	Abbey	5RV	Coby
2Z	Kaeli	SU	Arnold

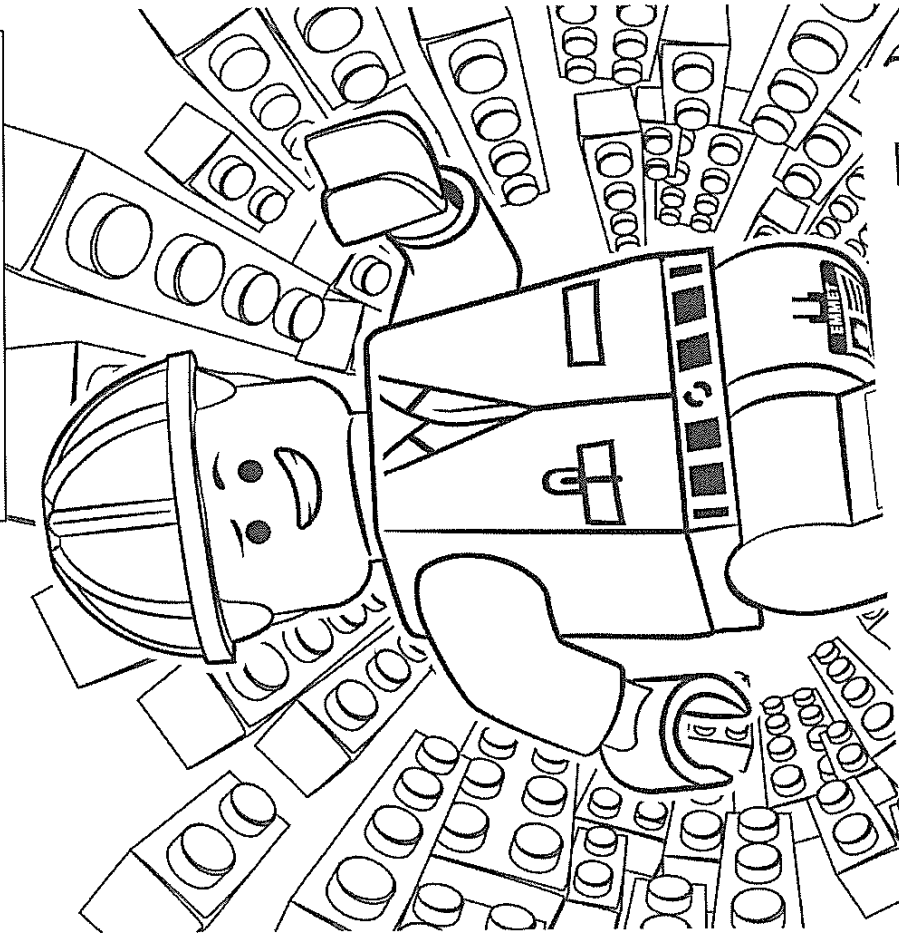
Environmental Award - Abby

Class work from 7BD





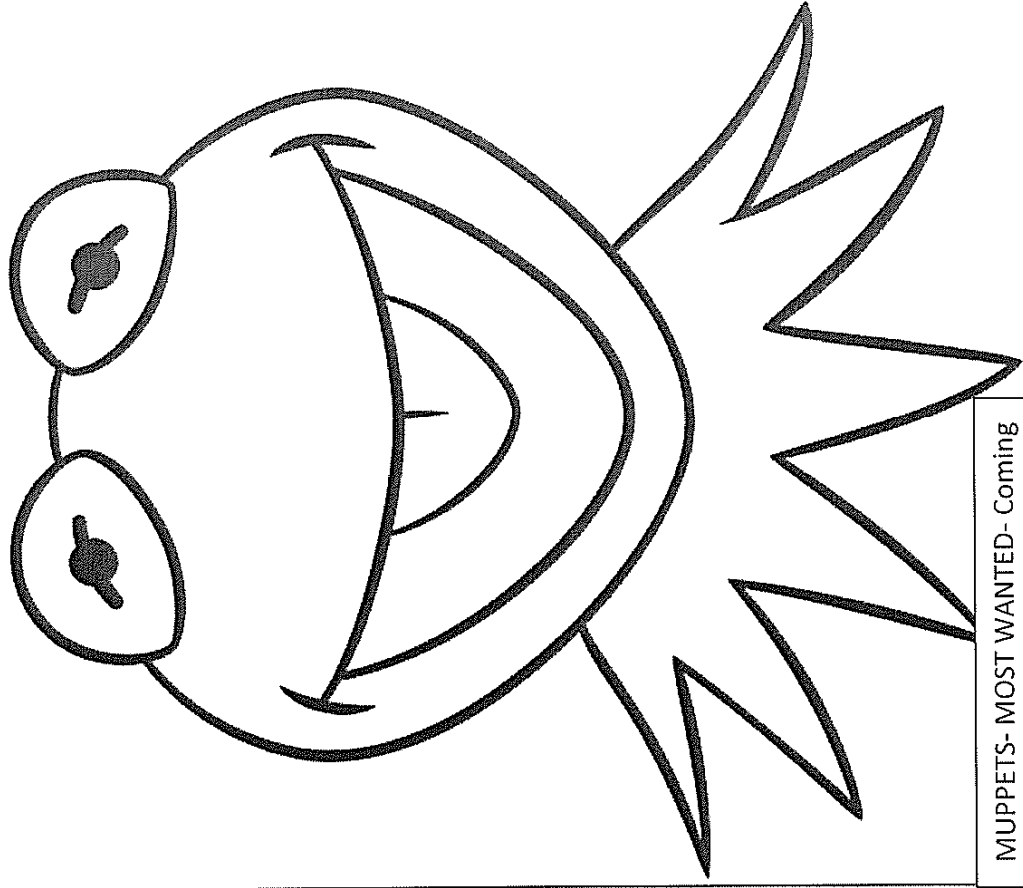
THE LEGO MOVIE- Coming to
Majestic Cinemas Singleton April 3rd.
Hand this in to receive a special
discounted holiday voucher!



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Disney
MUPPETS
MOST WANTED



MUPPETS- MOST WANTED- Coming
to Majestic Cinemas Singleton April
10TH . Hand this in to receive a
special discounted holiday voucher!