

Newsletter to Parents

SINGLETON PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Week 3 Term 3

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30 JULY 2014

POWER FM BREAKFAST

All students and family members are invited to come to school early on Thursday morning to be a part of the Power FM Breakfast Show. The radio station will be broadcasting live from our playground from 7:30am, and as an added bonus they will be serving breakfast to everyone. Come along and join in the fun. Throughout the morning the Power FM crew will be conducting competitions and promotions involving students, parents and staff. Breakfast will consist of cereal, milk and fresh fruit.

How good is your air-guitar? One of the promotions will involve sponsors "Coles" and their infamous 'Down, Down' theme song. Our local fire station will also be part of the excitement by bringing in one of their trucks, plus Café Mobilita will be serving fresh cappuccinos and other hot drinks.

If you can help with serving breakfast or help run some games please don't be shy on Thursday morning. All offers of assistance will be gratefully received.

Catch all of the excitement on **98.1 Power FM**. Thanks to corporate sponsors 'The Good Guys', 'Kelloggs', 'Green Ants Toys', and 'Coles Singleton'.

Education Week Awards

Presented on Tuesday evening at the 2014 Education Week Awards:-

Mrs Fallding - Contribution by a Community Member

Breakfast Program - School Achievement Award

Mrs Burns - Contribution by a Non-Teaching Member of Staff

Callum - Excellence in Student Achievement

Zaynab - Excellence in Student Achievement

Miss Moon - Excellence in Teaching

Welcome Back

Welcome back to one of our families as they return to Singleton Public School after a number of years in Queensland. Alex, Connor, Dustyn and Alyssa commenced school on Monday and have quickly caught up with friends both old and new.

David Crowe
Principal

Calendar of Events

Monday 28 July –Friday 1 August	Education Week
Wednesday 30 July	Grandparents Afternoon from 1.15 pm
Thursday 31 July	WOMBAT STEW EXCURSION Power FM broadcasting at Breakfast Club from 7.30 am
Friday 1 August	Zone Athletics at Alroy Oval from 9.00 am
Monday 4 August	State Library to visit Stage 2 at school 1.00 - 2.30 pm
Wednesday 6 August	Eat it to Beat it workshop 3.30 - 5pm 7pm P & C meeting
Monday 11 August	Year 3 Outdoor Experience Excursion - depart 8.00 am sharp
Tuesday 12 August	ICAS (UNSW) Maths Test Year 3 Outdoor Experience Excursion return at approximately 3.30 pm
Wednesday 13 August	Zone Public Speaking—SHPS
Thursday 14 August	Spelling Bee (Stage 2 and 3) in Hall Zone Public Speaking—SHPS
Friday 15 August	St Cath's Netball Gala Day
Sunday 17 August	Working Bee
Monday 18 August	Book Week Support Unit Intensive Swimming commences Year 5 Town Library 1.30 - 2.00 pm
Tuesday 19 August	Book Fair in School Library and dress up day Year 6 Town Library 1.30 - 2.00 pm
Wednesday 20 August	Meeting of the Minds at Singleton HS
Friday 22 August	Year 4 Sydney Excursion final payment due
Monday 25 August	Kindergarten Information Night from 6.30 pm
Thursday 4 September	Last day of Active After School Sports
Friday 5 September	School Fete

This weeks assembly is hosted by 3/4S at the starting time of 12.45pm.



Education &
Communities

Chess Competition

Congratulations to Darcy Andrews, Bradyn Parrey, Charlotte Morris, Steve Morris and Cameron Ella (absent for photo) who participated in the Chess Competition on Thursday, 24 July at All Saints Church Hall. The students had a great day and even won a couple of games.

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Athletics Carnival Medallion Recipients

Congratulations to the following Age Champions for their performance at the Athletics Carnival:-

Junior Boys - Logan Tredinnick

Junior Girls - Emily Brown

11 Year Boys - Cambell Bodiam

11 Year Girls - Chloe Schultz

Senior Boys - Mick Taylor

Senior Girls - Tess Orton

House Champion 2014 - Lawson

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Year 3 Outdoor Experience Excursion

The Year 3 Outdoor Experience Excursion bus will leave at 8 am sharp from Elizabeth Street gates on Monday, 11 August. The bus will be returning the following day Tuesday, 12 August at approximately 3.30 pm. Please check the school's new App on the day which will be updated with approximate return times.

Dog tag Orders for Fete

As a fundraiser for this year's fete students will have the opportunity to place an order for Dog Tags. Students can choose the colour of tags and the design to be created on them. The tags also come on an adjustable ball chain. The tags are priced at \$8.00 each. Order forms will be sent home this week.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL PAYMENTS ARE CASH ONLY, AND ARE IN A SEALED ENVELOPE SEPARATE TO ANY SCHOOL PAYMENTS. ONE ORDER FORM PER CHILD PLEASE.

Thank you to Jo Garland for your support and organisation of this fundraiser.

Garden Club

WANTED: Old boots, gumboots, teapots, metal strainers, pots and other things suitable for potting floral arrangements in for the fete. Please send to Miss Moon for Garden Club.

Don't forget our produce is picked fresh each Friday and sold at the back of the hall before Assembly. Thanks to those who buy it. All funds raised go straight back into buying more seedlings. A never ending cycle that teaches children about where our food comes from and how "fresh is best".

Miss Moon, Garden Club

 Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to find new recipe ideas

Eat It To Beat It has a jammed packed website, including hundreds of healthy eating recipes that are all Cancer Council NSW approved!


This means you can make them knowing that your family is getting the very best from every meal!

Eating well can help to fight against cancer, so try and aim for at least 2 serves of fruit and 5 serves of vegies every day.

Check out our website for more healthy tips and loads of free new recipes for you to print out and keep.

Visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au today!

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Eat It To Beat It

Uniform Shop Roster - Week 4, Term 3 2014

Mon 4/8/14 (8.30 - 9.30 am) Tammie Cox, Rebecca Hobbs

Fri 8/8/14 (8.30 - 9.30 am) Kim Carter, Amanda Ward

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

Canteen Roster - Week 3, Term 3 2014

Mon 4/8/14 Mary Franks, Anna Adamthwaite

Tues 5/8/14 Angela Johnston, Janine Justen

Wed 6/8/14 Pam Dicks, Di Cooke

Thurs 7/8/14 Deb Boston, 1 more helper please

Fri 8/8/14 Jenna Pfeiffer, Robyn Skinner

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

Information from the DEC

Keep brains ticking

If your child is working on a personal project or a school assignment, don't forget www.SchoolAtoZ.com.au has lots of information and fact sheets to help with homework.

For students polishing their spelling skills, the free Spelling Bee mobile app also allows them to record a list of their own words and then test themselves. You might even want to challenge them with a list you create. Here's where you'll find the free app to download: <http://bit.ly/Q9ez0G>

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

.....

Credit Card Number _ _ _ _ _

Expiry Date _ _ / _ _

CSV _ _ _ (last three digits on back of card)

Signature of Cardholder Contact Number:

Education Week - Celebrating 60 Years

This week is Education Week and this year we are celebrating 60 years. As part of the week's celebrations which included an Award Ceremony at Singleton High School, today will be the Grandparents Afternoon and on Thursday the Power FM Breakfast; all of the school's students and staff were photographed in the shape of the number "60" as per the picture below.

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Mr Russell and Miss Edgar have also created a display of some of Singleton Public School's work at Coles Supermarket, Singleton. If you are in Singleton Square be sure to pop in and see the wonderful display.



Thank you

Thank you to Mrs Melissa Murry for her help in organising Rhythm Sticks from the Men's Shed for the Kindergarten classes.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2015 Open

Is it time for your child to commence their school education? Our books are now open to take names of all siblings and family members for Kindergarten 2015. If you would like to start your child at school next year please do not hesitate to contact the school to record your interest. Limited positions available—don't miss out.

Book Week Library Visits

Students from our school have been invited by the Town Library to attend their celebrations for Book Week and to take part in their planned activities. The children will walk to and from the library and will need to be in full school uniform, including a hat. The children will leave school at 1.10 pm and return by 3.00 pm. The attendance days are:

Monday, 18th August	Year 5	1.30-2.30 pm
Tuesday, 19th August	Year 6	1.30-2.30 pm
Wednesday, 20th August	Year 2	1.10-3.00 pm
Monday, 25th August	Year 1	1.10-3.00 pm
Tuesday, 26th August	Kinder	1.10-3.00 pm

This excursion will be covered by the General Permission Note returned earlier in the year.

Many Canteen Helpers Required!

The Zone Athletics Carnival is on Friday, 1 August. Our school is hosting the carnival so our canteen is urgently requiring helpers to prepare food on the Thursday, 31 July as well as additional helpers on the day. Please let Nicole know if you are able to help, even if it only for a few hours.

Bike at school

Last week a parent saw our General Assistant, Garry about a lost bike at school. If your child has lost their bike, please contact the school office.

P & C Points of Interest

HELP – our P&C is currently in the planning phase of our annual school fete and your assistance would be welcomed. Do you have any talents, skills, or even time to assist with the conduct of a great school community day? We would love to hear from people with busking skills, talents as a face-painter, or willingness to whip together some candy-floss. Every bit of support contributes to a successful day. If you can assist please forward your details to Mrs Bunnemeyer through our School Office.

SCHOOL FETE NEWS

Singleton Public School Fete is on Friday 5th September 2014, and this years Theme is called

“MAKE BELIEVE”.

There is no need to buy new costumes. Be creative and find something in your cupboards or wear costumes that you already own. Here are some suggestions - Fairies, Witches, Butterflies, Lady Beetles, Warlocks, Magicians, Iron Man, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles etc.

However, please take note, not to wear costumes with obtrusive objects as it could poke into your child or another child while they are playing on the rides. For example, make Fairy wings that can be easily removed, before going on the rides.

Please keep an eye out for the School's Weekly Newsletter, as class teachers will start advertising what they need for their stalls.

Volunteers Wanted!!

If parents, aunties, uncles, grandparents, guardians or any other family members that are free on the day and can spare an hour or two on the stalls, please let your class teachers know.

Just a reminder to kindergarten parents that staff will be busy running their Cake and Craft stalls in the morning (first 1 ½ - 2 hours from 10:00am) and that there will be minimal supervision.

The Fete Committee is currently busy planning our big day, if you have any ideas or suggestions please let us know through the school office.

Elaine Bunnemeyer

School staff - Fete Committee Member

Second Hand Soft Toy Fete Stall 3H

Once again 3H are running a second hand soft toy stall. We are looking for the donation of soft toys of all sizes, shapes and styles to sell to new loving owners at the school fete on Friday 5th September. Donations can be left at the office where 3H class members will collect them or placed in the large box outside 3H classroom.

Over the years this has been a popular stall with many children enjoying obtaining a new soft toy friend to take home. We have been fortunate previously to gain hundreds of soft toys and hope to continue this. We look forward to all donations.

Trash and Treasure Stall 3/4S

3/4S and Miss Sullivan are excited about running the trash and treasure stall for the school fete. We are looking for wonderful and exciting items, please no electrical we are not allowed to sell it at the fete. However books, dvds, cds, baskets, toys, stationary, and all other wonderful varieties of treasure are accepted. Donations can be left at the office for collection by 3/4S class members or delivered and left outside 3/4S classroom located in the double room building near the enter to learn gate.

Showbags and Lucky Dips

3H are running the Showbag and Lucky Dip stall as part of Show Alley. The showbags this year will be only available on the day and closer to the fete the types will be outlined.

Lucky Dips are always a fun novelty at the fete. Should you find you have party favour toys, McDonald toys or other small items eg stationary, kids jewellery that you no longer use or want these would be gladly accepted as donations.

2B Fete Stall

This year 2B will be holding the Bottle Stall.

Please start collecting glass jars and bottles and send them in filled with goodies. Some ideas are: small toys; jigsaw puzzles; ribbons, hair ties and clips; a mini sewing kit eg scissors, needles and cottons; rainbow playdough; bathroom needs such as cotton buds, cottonwool balls etc; small soaps; plastic bugs etc; stationary items eg pencils, erasers, post-its, paperclips etc; toy cars; marshmallows; chocolates.

Your contributions will be most appreciated.

Thanking you,
Cathy Black and 2B

Musicians, performers, dancers, singers - would you like to share your talent at the Fete?

The P&C would like to organise 'busking spots' at the Fete where you can perform and your audience can give you money in return! The only catch is that you will have to pass on this money to the school as part of the Fete fundraising!

Any standard of performance is fine (as long as you've practised!) It's all about standing up and having a go. You can perform by yourself, with a friend, or grab a bigger group to play something. It can be short or long.

If you're interested, please fill in the slip below and return to the office (via your teacher).

Parents - we can only make this possible if we have parent help to supervise the buskers on a simple roster.

Questions? Call Jan Fallding, SPS P&C Band representative 6571 1348 or jfallding@bigpond.com

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Busking at the school fete (return to school office)

I / we (circle) would like to have a go at Busking at the Fete.

Name(s) and Class(es).....

What will you perform? (please write your instrument(s), or type of performance (eg singing, dancing, speaking). You don't need to give us the name of each piece just yet.

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For Parents interested in helping to supervise the busking:

Your name.....

Contact details (preferably email and land line)

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Support Unit Donations

The Support Unit is after donations of any spare small school clothes. If you can help out with any spare uniforms please leave them at the school office.

Major Art

Through the support of The Song Room program, the students and staff of our school will be working together to produce a major art-piece for display within our school. There will also be opportunities for our community to become involved but at this moment that help we need is in relation to the collection of resources:

- Tile, tiles, and more tiles – the more colour the better – in all conditions – full/broken
- Broken pottery with interesting colours and designs
- Empty, clean 3 litre milk cartons (washed, lids removed)

Our goal is to create a mosaic mural to bring colour and interest to a bare area of our playground. Your assistance to make this goal into a reality will be greatly appreciated. Bags and boxes of tiles can be placed on the verandah at the back of the staffroom. Milk bottles can be delivered direct to your child's classroom.

Additionally, if you have any skills or experience in mosaic work your assistance would be gratefully received by the school. Please let your child's teacher know if you can assist in any way.

DONOR MOBILE COMING SOON!!!

The Australian Red Cross Mobile Blood Service is visiting **Singleton**,

Monday 11 August, **10.00am – 3.00pm** (**10** more donors needed)

Tuesday 12 August, **1.30pm – 6.30pm** (**10** more donors needed)

Wednesday 13 August, **1.30pm – 6.30pm**

Thursday 14 August, **1.30pm – 6.30pm** (**20** more donors needed)

Friday 15 August, **<10.00am – 3.00pm** (**15** more donors needed)

If you haven't already made an appointment to give blood, you can [make an appointment online](#) or call us on **13 14 95**.

1 in 3 Australians will need blood, but only 1 in 30 donates. Donated blood helps cancer patients, people with blood disorders, mothers-to-be and newborn babies, as well as trauma and surgical patients.

We look forward to seeing you again soon.

WANTED!



**SAVE YOUR
CANS AND DROP
THEM OFF AT THE
CAN SHED IN GAR-
DEN CLUB AREA.**

Wesley LifeForce will be conducting a **Suicide Prevention Workshop** at **Singleton Diggers – York St, Singleton NSW 2330** on **Tuesday 18 November 2014** from 9am – 4pm. There is no charge to attend the workshop. The program helps participants recognise when a person may be having thoughts of suicide, and provides a simple strategy to intervene and assist them. Anyone who may be interested in attending this workshop please register using this link: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/wl-3143-wesley-lifeforce-suicide-prevention-6hr-workshop-singleton-nsw-tickets-12438258165> The training is open to community members aged over 18 years.

TAFE

Outreach is proposing to run an introduction to computers and the internet **FREE** course at Singleton TAFE on Wednesdays from 10 am to 2 pm, starting 13 August til 12 November 2014.

The course will cover topics including operating a computer, the internet and social media, using the internet safely, word processing, PowerPoint and spreadsheets.

Please contact Annabelle at TAFE on 6542 1115 for more info

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What Gonski means for your child

National Gonski Week is taking place from July 28 to August 1 and it is an ideal opportunity to focus on what the benefits of additional resources are for your child and our school.

Gonski, as you may know, is a way of funding schools based on the needs of students. It was recommended by the Gonski Review that found too many students were missing out due to a lack of resources.

For us, the additional Gonski funding over the next six years will allow us to really expand the educational programs and learning support we know will make a difference in what our students achieve.

With this funding we will be able to:

- put in place additional literacy and numeracy programs and provide one-on-one assistance to students at risk of falling behind
- increase the specialist support and assistance for students who really need it — such as those with disabilities or special learning needs
- take a whole-of-school approach to building the skills and knowledge of teachers
- provide extension programs that will help teachers really push our smartest students to do even better.

The one problem we have is that the Federal Government, in the May Budget, announced it will only provide the Gonski funding we are relying on for four years, not six. That is a serious issue because only one-third of the funding comes in the first four years.

Teachers and parents are working hard to try to get the Prime Minister to change his mind on this critical investment. You can learn more at www.igiveagonski.com.au

Authorised by Sue Simpson, Acting General Secretary, NSW Teachers Federation, 23-33 Mary Street, Surry Hills 2010. July 2014. 14217



National Gonski Week

July 28- August 1

Sean Choolburra Visiting Show

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School Captains and Leaders, House Captains and School Council Photos

Sample photos of the 2014 School Captains and Leaders, House Captains and School Council are now available to view at the school office. A personalised order sheet with further details have been sent home with the children who had their photos taken in these groups.

Should you wish to place an order, please complete the form sent home with your child from MSP Photography. Payment can be made with the order form with the correct cash, cheque to MSP Photography or the credit card slip on the order form placed in an envelope and sent to the school office. Payments can also be made online but please let the school know if you have placed an order. Payments and orders need to be placed by Friday, 28 August 2014.

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Congratulations to our assembly award winners for Term 3 Week 2, 2014

CLASS AWARD RECIPIENTS K - 6

Assembly Awards

KL	Charlotte Dax	KM	Hamish Taneesha
KS	Nash Amelia	1A	Tyler Cooper
1G	Cooper Lachlan	1DL	Charlie Jaxon
2B	Lucy Nicholas	2P	Charlie Lachlan
2Z	Nathan Kaeli	3H	Ciara Brandon Billy-Jean
3P	Ava Dustin Harry	3/4S	Aaron Emily Samuel
4A	Gypsyie Shae Kobey	5E	Hayden Chelsea Seth
5RV	Olivia Jasmine Jaidyn	6D	Sadie Konnor Darcy
6M	Mick Tess Tom	Support Unit	Tomeeka Noah

Singleton Stars

Early Stage 1 Dannyboy

Stage 1 Nathan

Stage 2 Faith

Stage 3 Ivy

Super Citizens

KM Hamish

3P Elyse

1DL Kaden

5E Sam

2P Joshua

6M Cambell



The simplest way

to improve the health of your family and save money

Come to our FREE Fruit & Veg Sense Workshop

Date: Wednesday 6th August

Time: 3:30pm until 5:00pm

Venue: Singleton Public School

Did you know that eating enough fruit and vegetables all their lives can help protect children against diseases, including some forms of cancer? This **free workshop** run by Cancer Council NSW will show you how you can easily:

- 🍌 Save time and money making healthy meals
- 🍏 Learn clever ways to entice fussy eaters
- 🍌 Get a free recipe book simply by attending

Don't miss out – registration is essential. To book your place please register no later than 01/08/14 by:

contacting the school office
emailing eatittobeatit@nswcc.org.au
visiting www.cancercouncil.org.au/eatittobeatit/register
or phoning (02) 4923 0704



You are invited to...

Celebrate 25 years of
service to the local Community

Tuesday 2nd September 2014

10.30 Celebrations commence

11.30 Free BBQ lunch

1pm AGM

Free BBQ & Kids activities

followed by our Annual General Meeting - ALL welcome.

Singleton Family Support are seeking people to join our Committee and support us in supporting the Singleton Community, if you are interested, please join us for the AGM after the celebrations

RSVP 19/8/14

by email admin@singletonfs.org.au

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Singleton Relay For Life Info Night
Have you ever wondered what Relay for Life is all about? Would you like to register a team or join the survivors and carers lap but not sure what happens next?

Come along on Thursday 14 August 2014 at 7.30pm Cancer Council Office 69 John St. Meet the committee and have all your questions answered.



Singleton Heights
Indoor Sports
Centre

4th June
3rd September
3rd December
9am-1pm

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Class work from 5E

5E - Extracts from a Gold Miner's Journal

So cold, snow on the ground, freezing! I assayed 2oz of gold for £9. **Tahlia Leach**

My luck has left me. Today I only found ½oz of gold by Hayden got three. Boy do I wish to get my hands on his loot! **Dan Melamed**

I noticed that someone had robbed my area and my pick, pan, billy...were gone. I started to hate mining but held myself together, hoping that I would have luck tomorrow. **Mea Mossley**

I went panning this morning but the water was making my fingers turn white, then EUREKA five oz. of gold. **Ivy Chapman**

There's a heavy frost, its freezing! The frost on the canvas tent just makes it colder. It's hard to pan as the cold freezes your hands. **Hayden Garland**

Someone shouted, 'Look out bushfire!' I looked back there was a hot blazing bushfire. **Charli Ramsey**

The water was freezing cold and my hands were numb and wrinkly. Suddenly, I saw something golden and shiny. Gold! **Leena Shahwali**

Finally, at last, I found 2oz of gold. I felt like dancing for ever. **Makayla Langdon**

I heard loud screaming at the tents. It was a bushfire. Some of us lost our tents and clothes. We have nowhere warm to sleep. **Chelsea Small**

First day at the river panning for gold. It is freezing with a strong wind from the west. I found 2oz of gold! **Amy Little**

I found out my neighbour died and left me with 10oz of gold! At least he is in a better place now. **Erin Hannan**

I rushed over to the tents and the tents were demolished. I have lost all my clothes and everything in my tent. I guess it is going to be a cold, cold night for me. **Maddison Gardiner**

I went gold panning but the water was still cold. The water was making my hands go wrinkly like an old person. **Jules Kirkpatrick**

At lunch I heard a crackling sound, it was getting hot. I stepped outside. It was a bushfire. I ran, trying to get to town. **Jamin Cooper**

It was a freezing morning while I was down at the river and Josh was sick in the tent. I got lucky and found 1oz. **Jack Halsey**

First day of panning blood, sweat and tears were shed but finally 3oz of gold was found in the freezing cold river. Wow!

Seth Johnston



I saw shiny little pieces of gold about 8ozs. BUSHFIRE! It was too quick. It burned most of the tents and now I will have to go to the shop. **Evan Gilson**

First day and I was so excited to go to work and find gold. I was digging and digging and I got it. 15ozs of gold! **Campbell Harris.**

Bought new tent and blanket and exchanged gold. I got £13.10-. A blizzard came through and I didn't work this morning. **Louis Moore**

I was as cold as a piece of ice last night. A sheet of ice covered the ground. When I walked on it the ice crackled. **Sam Little**

First day went panning and found 1oz of gold. A bushfire came and I lost my tent and clothes. **Bryce Darr**

The frost was so heavy and the wind brushed against me as I was digging for gold... And there it was. I had found 6oz of gold! **Olivia Cuttriss**

Woke up freezing cold from the snow. Went gold panning still no gold. I don't know what will happen later today. **Simon Beasley**

Today I found 11oz of gold. The sun was out but the water was still cold. One of the women was fined and had to pay £5-. **Alissa Maytom**

I heard a woman named Georga lost her licence. It was very hard for her. It's very hard here being a woman. **Hannah Small**

Today I heard more whispers than usual. "Women on the field!" they would yell and whisper. **Georga Woodley**

I'm still sick, at least I don't have to go gold panning in the freezing cold snow! **Joshua Roberts**