

Newsletter to Parents



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Week 11 Term 4

QUALITY RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY

16 DECEMBER 2015

What an extremely busy week to finish the year. Congratulations to all our award and certificate recipients. It was wonderful to hear all of the achievements from our students throughout 2015 at our Presentation Day's and in the student's reports. You all have really achieved some greatness throughout the year.

To Year 6 – Well done on an amazing year and one I'm sure you will never forget. Good luck to all of you in your future high school endeavours and please drop in to say hello to your teachers and fellow students. You all have really made Singleton Public School extremely proud in 2015.

It was lovely to see our volunteers throughout the school join us for a morning tea. The volunteers do a magnificent job and we all appreciate the efforts and time they put into our school. Our volunteers help out in several ways and the morning tea was just a small way for our staff to say thank-you.

Singleton Public School will start on Wednesday 27th January, 2016 for all staff members. Students in Year 1 -6 will start school on Thursday 28th January, 2016 and our Kindergarten students will start their first day on Monday 1st February, 2016.

In closing, on behalf of the staff at Singleton Public School we would like to wish all of our families an enjoyable and relaxing Christmas break and have a safe and wonderful new year.

Jonathan Russell
 Relieving Principal

| Calendar of Events | |
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| Thursday 17 December | Staff Development Day |
| Friday 18 December | Staff Development Day |
| Wednesday 27 January | First Day of 2016 for staff only (staff development day) Uniform Shop opened 8.30 am - 10.00 am |
| Thursday 28 January | First day of 2016 for Students Years 1-6 Uniform Shop opened 8.30 am - 10.00 am Best start Assessments Kinder 2016 |
| Friday 29 January | Best start Assessment Kinder 2016 Uniform Shop opened 8.30 am - 10.00 am |
| Monday 1 February | First day of 2016 for Kindergarten First day of Canteen for 2016. |
| Friday 26 February | Supercover due |
| Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all the staff at Singleton Public School, we are looking forward to seeing you all in 2016. | |



Good luck Year 6 on your future educational journey.

TERM DATES FOR 2016

Term 1 – 28/1/16 – 8/4/2016 (27/1/16 School Development Day)
 Term 2 – 27/4/16 – 1/7/16 (26/4/16 School Development Day)
 Term 3 – 19/7/16 – 23/9/16 (18/7/16 School Development Day)
 Term 4 – 10/10/16 – 16/12/16 (19/12-20/12/16 School Development Days)



Education

Sports Presentation

Pictured below are the sports Years 2-5 recipients that received certificates on Friday, 11 December. Also a big congratulations goes to Jules for being presented with the Sportsperson of the year award.

The Champion House for 2015 is Paterson.



Year 6 Formal

Well done to all of the Year 6 students who attended the Year 6 formal on Monday night. A great night was had by all and the students looked very smart in their formal wear!!



Thank You

A big thank you to Heights Bakery for donating the cake for the Year 6 formal on Monday night.

Canteen

The canteen will reopen on 2016 on Monday, 1 February 2016.

Cancer Council NSW
Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way
...to add fruit at brekky

This delish recipe will give your kids' a great start to their day!

Ingredients
2 eggs
1 tbsp honey
2½ cups reduced-fat milk
3 bananas, sliced
2 cups self-raising flour
2 tbsp sugar
2 tsp margarine, melted
3 medium apples, peeled, cored and grated



Method
In a large bowl beat eggs, margarine + milk. In a separate bowl mix flour and sugar, stir into wet mixture until smooth. Add grated apple. Heat oil in a pan over medium heat. Add 2-3 tbsp of mixture, flip when bubbles appear and cook until golden. Serve with banana and drizzled honey. Makes 10.

Adding fruit in fun ways can make it more appealing to fussy eaters – for more ideas, visit our website today!

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit



Uniform Shop Roster - Week 1, Term 1 2016

Mon 25/1/16 (8.30 - 9.30 am) CLOSED

Fri 29/1/16 (8.30 - 9.30 am) Nicole Furness

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

Canteen Roster - Week 1, Term 1 2016

Mon 25/1/16 CLOSED

Tues 26/1/16 CLOSED

Wed 27/1/16 CLOSED

Thurs 28/1/16 CLOSED

Fri 29/1/16 CLOSED

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

Positive Behaviour for Learning – PBL Post-It

Every fortnight our school focuses upon a new behaviour to reinforce our school values of RESPECT – RESPONSIBILITY – QUALITY. All classes engage in small discussions about the various behaviours and students are rewarded for acting in an appropriate manner. This fortnight's focus is:-

“Recognising and valuing the achievement of others”

Information from the DEC

Teach your kids to be waterproof

As temperatures rise, the risk of drowning increases too. Review these water-safety tips to help keep your family safe this summer.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/water-safety-tips>

Credit Card Payment Slip - Singleton Public School

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? Date

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:

Changes to Bus Transport

A reminder that all students in Year 2 travelling with HV Buses will need to apply for a new OPAL bus pass online at <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/applyNow>.

Year 2 students travelling with Saxbys or Anvil must complete the standard blue Department of Transport bus form available in the school office.

All Year 2 bus students must complete either form BEFORE returning to school in 2016.

Invoicing

The 2016 school financial year began on Monday, 1 December 2015. All families have now been invoiced for the 2016 Voluntary General Contribution, P&C Levy and Supercover. Payments can be taken at the school office. Please note, payments for 2016 Kindergarten children cannot be made until Week 2, 2016.

Supercover

The school has once again decided to implement the “Supercover” system in 2016. Supercover will only be available to those families who have paid their voluntary school contribution at the beginning of the year (\$60.00).

What is Supercover?

“Supercover” is an optional fee that can be paid at the start of the year for each student. (Individual payment for the shows and excursions that Supercover includes is still possible as the events occur through the year should you choose not to take the Supercover option.)

The cost for 2016 is \$19.00 which can be paid in advance for the following shows and includes a discount per child:- Hunter Life Education Van; 1 x Visiting Show and the Military Museum Excursion.

The system is much easier for both parents and carers and for the administration staff because there will be less money coming in small amounts and less permission notes. Please note: Permission notes will still be sent home to all children. It will state on the permission note if the event is covered by Supercover. If you have paid Supercover, there will be no need to return the permission note.

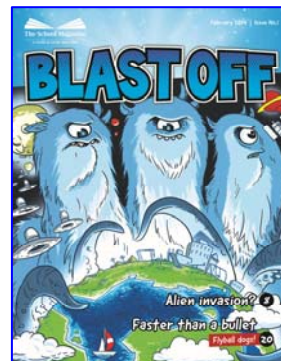
When will Supercover need to be paid?

Supercover will need to be paid before Friday, 26 February 2016.

A permission note will need to be filled out to give your child permission to attend the relevant activities and will appear in the newsletter in 2016.

School Supplies

In 2016, the school will be supplying all students with exercise books and some limited stationery needs. Parents and carers of students in Years 1-6 are asked to supply basic stationery requirements such as rulers, eraser, coloured pencils, lead pencils, pencil case, glue sticks, sharpeners, textas, pens (for older grades), etc and replace these items throughout the year. Parents will be advised of any other requirements when classes are formed in early 2016.



Updated - Great News - School Magazine Subscription 2016

“The School Magazine” is created in association with the Department of Education. It contains stories, poems, plays, articles, activities and comic serials which engage students and instil a life-long love of reading. Years 3-6 will be using the School Magazine in 2016 which will support our Guided Teaching of Reading and Writing.

Each child will now receive a subscription purchased by the school.

Sharmyn Zeidler



School Holiday Clinic

GAMES+TECHNIQUE+PRIZES+MATCH PLAY

\$2
Per Child
Donated back
to your school

When: **Monday 21st - Wednesday 23rd December or
Monday 18th - Thursday 21st January**

Where: **Hunter Tennis Academy, Howe Park Tennis Club**
9am to 1pm each day

Age: Catering for ages 3yrs to 16yrs with age appropriate groups arranged by coaches.

Participants to bring own hats, drinks, snacks and lunch and wear sunscreen.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
 Phone Kate or Mitch on 02 6572 3389
info@huntertennisacademy.com.au
 Boundary Street, Singleton NSW

3 days (Dec only) \$79
 4 days (Jan only) \$99
 or
 1 day \$40

2015 Presentation Day Class Awards winners





Major Prizes



*Merry Christmas from all of the
staff at Singleton Public
School. We hope you have
a safe and happy new year.*

