

Newsletter to Parents

SINGLETON PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Week 8 Term 4

QUALITY RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY

30 NOVEMBER 2016

Kindergarten 2017 commencing visits

Throughout this week, sixty eager young boys and girls are coming to our school as part of their transition ready for Kindergarten next year. I have had the opportunity to meet many of these children personally during our 'Meet the Principal' meetings. During these meetings, I have been getting to know the many different personalities as well as playing some simple card games to assess memory skills and number recognition.

At the conclusion of my interviews with the children, I am able to gift each of them with a new school library bag and a deck of SPS playing cards. Two simple measures that I hope can contribute to their continued development in literacy and numeracy.

We are full!

At present, our school is not taking any new out of zone enrolments due to full classes however people are still able to put their names down on a wait list. As we head towards 2017, I would ask that any families that know that they are moving from the Singleton area please advise the Office as soon as possible so that we can plan accordingly. We have a growing list of families on our waiting list seeking enrolment at our school.

Surf Skills

As everyone else sweltered in the heat on Monday, our Year 6 students with Mrs Dibben, Mrs Merrick and Mrs Cox were having a lovely time at Newcastle Beach learning a wide range of surf skills. This is a fun day, however the lessons that the students are exposed to may help protect them in the future.

Reports are coming

Teachers are busily writing and finalising their end of year reports as the distribution day will be Friday 9 December. As I read through each report, I am impressed by the variety of skills that our students have developed throughout the semester. For many boys and girls, they will be celebrating considerable growth in their knowledge and application of reading and writing skills, numeracy skills and applications to work. Congratulations everyone on some fine efforts.

David Crowe
Principal

Calendar of Events

Friday 2 December	Aboriginal Culture Group Excursion to Rose Point Park / Hunter River - walking from school at 9.30 am
Monday 5 December	Final 2017 Kindergarten Transition to School afternoon 1.00 - 3.10 pm, Uniform Shop open 1.30 - 3.00 pm Glee Club and Band to perform at Our Care 12.00 pm - 1.30 pm
Tuesday 6 December	Year 6 Orientation Day SHS - students will walk to SHS at 9.15 am
Wednesday 7 December	Year 6 Party Day P&C Meeting 6.00 pm in the School Library, followed by an end of year dinner at 7.00 pm at Mamas Kitchen
Thursday 8 December	K-2 and Support Unit Christmas Concert 9.45 am to 11.00 am (donations of non-perishable food items requested)
Friday 9 December	Student report cards will be sent home Sports Presentation Day 12.00 pm K-2 and Support Unit Christmas Concert 9.45 am to 11.00 am (donations of non-perishable food items requested)
Monday 12 December	Presentation Day - Civic Centre 12.00 pm Canteen closed from 11.45 am Deposit and Expression of Interest notes for Canberra Year 6 2017 due today by 12.30 pm
Tuesday 13 December	Year 6 Farewell Assembly 12.00 pm Year 6 Farewell Supper 6.00 - 7.00 pm Year 6 Disco 7.00 pm - 8.30 pm for Stage 3 Last day for Canteen
Wednesday 14 December	Hunter Sports Awards
Friday 16 December	Last day for Students
This weeks assembly is hosted by Band and Glee Club at the starting time of 12.45 pm.	

K-2 Christmas Concert

On Thursday, 8 December and Friday, 9 December the K-2 and Support Unit Christmas Concert will be held in the school hall. The concert will begin at 9.45 am and should conclude by 11.10 am. **Please bring a non-perishable food item for your entry which will be then donated to the Singleton Neighbourhood Centre.**



Education

Surf Life Saving Excursion

On Monday, 28 November Year 6 travelled to Nobby's Beach for the Surf Life Saving program. A great day was had by all students.



Summer Reading Club and School Library Books

Not only is Christmas coming but so is our Summer Reading Club!

Notes will go home this week. They need to be returned as soon as possible to Mrs Van Der Wel in the library. Students need to return overdue loans before they can participate in the program. Students will get to borrow their books in the last week of school.



Band News

The band has been busy the past month. On Saturday, 5 November, both the Concert and Training Bands performed alongside King Street, Singleton Heights and St Catherines in a combined bands performance at the Town Band's annual concert at the Civic Centre. They performed 4 pieces and it sounded absolutely amazing. On Thursday, 24 November Gillian, Hannah, Caroline, Brock, Lachlan, Whyatt, Aaron and Samuel performed at the Singleton Town Library's Summer Reading Program launch. Their performance was well received and greatly appreciated by the library staff. Many thanks to Lee at the library for inviting us to show off our school's talent.

On Monday, 5 December the Concert Band and Glee have been invited to perform at the Our Care Services Christmas Party. A note for this will be sent home this week.

Training Band are very excited to be hosting this week's assembly and performing for the school.

Training Band and Concert Band will be joining forces to perform at Presentation Day on Monday, 12 December.

On Tuesday, 6 December, we are conducting an instrument drive to recruit new players for 2017. Notes were sent home last week for those students who are interested in learning an instrument and joining our school band program.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have supported the band this year. It would not happen without you!

Kristy Dibley

Band Coordinator

Nutrition Snippet



The simplest way

...to make the festive season fruity.



Fruit makes a healthy addition to the festive season spread and it's great for making all sorts of edible Christmas creations too!

Trees: use a knife or cookie cutter to shape trees from watermelon (left), or place kiwi wedges on a plate and top with star cut from other fruit (below).

Candy cane: place alternate banana and strawberry chunks on a plate to form a cane shape.

Santas: Layer marshmallow, banana and strawberries. Hold together with icing, or a toothpick. Use raisins for eyes and a Jaffa for a nose.





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Uniform Shop Roster - Week 9, Term 4 2016

Mon 5/12/16 (8.30 - 9.30 am) Tammie Cox

Fri 9/12/16 (8.30 - 9.30 am) Volunteer required please

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

Canteen Roster - Week 9, Term 4 2016

Mon 5/12/16 Renee Mouser, Sandika Tickell

Tues 6/12/16 1 more helper please

Wed 7/12/16 Sarah Land, Melissa Muddiman

Thurs 8/12/16 Robyn Skinner, Sarah Oxlade

Fri 9/12/16 Paula Stokes, Kim Carter, Maxine Kolinos

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:-

“Demonstrating awareness that our playground and classrooms are shared spaces, requiring cooperation.”

Parent Online Payment Advice - send to school office

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Total Paid: _____ Date: _____

Description of Payment:

Online Payment Receipt number: _____

Where applicable, please ensure that you also send the permission note back to the class teacher.

Singleton Pubic School Details	
Phone	02 6571 2250
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Principal	David Crowe
AP ES1	Christine Launders
AP Stage 1	Katrina Hackett
AP Stage 2	Di Merrick
AP Stage 3	Robyn Edgar
P&C Meetings	First Wednesday of the Month

Bell Times	
8.40 am	Play
9.10 am	Morning Muster - class time
11.10 am	Eating in Class
11.20 am	Lunch 1
11.40 am	Lunch 2
12.00 pm	Middle session
1.30 pm	Recess
2.00 pm	Afternoon session
3.10 pm	Home

Presentation Day

The school's annual Presentation Day will be on Monday, 12 December at 12.00 pm at the Civic Centre. All parents and carers are welcome to come along.

K-2 and Support Unit Christmas Concert

On Thursday, 8 December and Friday, 9 December the K-2 and Support Unit Christmas Concert will be held in the school hall. **The concert will begin at 9.45 am and should conclude by 11.10 am.**

The concert is repeated on both days to allow for parents and family to come on the day that suits them best. The concert will finish with a finale performance by all children in K-2.

Each year the school supports local charities with donations of non-perishable food items for Christmas.

We would appreciate a donation of a food item from those families who attend the K-2 Christmas Concert.

The items kindly donated will be used in hampers that will be distributed to targeted families for Christmas by the Singleton Neighbourhood Centre.

Year 6 Formal

On Tuesday, 13 December, Year 6 will be having their School Formal. This is an exciting way for the students to celebrate the end of their primary school years. The details are as follows:-

Time: 6.00 pm - 8.30 pm

6.00 pm - 7.00 pm - A finger food buffet for Year 6 students and their parents will be served.

7.00 pm - 8.30 pm - A disco will take place for the Stage 3 students.

Dress: Smart/Formal

Venue: Singleton Public School Hall

Year 6 End of Year Party

On Wednesday, 7 December, Year 6 are going to have a party day to celebrate the end of the year.

In the morning students will watch a movie and then eat a packed lunch. We will then watch the K-2 Christmas concert rehearsal before walking to the Bowling Alley for a game of bowling at 1:30 pm. Year 6 will then return to school for a variety of activities planned for the afternoon. At approximately 6.00 pm we will have pizza for tea. We will then enjoy our night games until pick up at 10.00 pm.

Total cost for the bowling, party food, pizza and drinks will be \$15.00 per child (cash only please). Money and permission notes for this activity are to be handed TO THE CLASS TEACHER by Friday, 5 December.

Notes have been sent home.

Thanks again for all of your support throughout the year.

P&C News

The next P&C general meeting is our last for the year and will be held at 6.00 pm Wednesday, 7 December in the Library. All are welcome, so please come along to have your say and help make important decisions for the school community. At the next P&C general meeting the canteen sub-committee will present a number of proposals related to future operation of the canteen to be voted on, including new documents such as the canteen manager role description and contract and associated P&C policy documents, new canteen opening days/times, and the proposed process for filling the Canteen Manager role. The Uniform Shop will also present an update on the proposal from Lowes to sell our current uniforms through their shops. We hope to have received from Lowes in time for the next meeting sample uniforms and price list, an agreement for transfer of the uniform shop to Lowes, proposed timing for handing over stock to Lowes, and proposed timing for Lowes to commence selling SPS uniforms. If so we can have a final vote on selling our stock to Lowes and agreeing to have Lowes sell SPS uniforms in their Singleton store and on-line store. We will also get an update on the 2016 SPS Music program tryouts from our band coordinator.

The Uniform Shop will be operating as normal 8.30 to 9.30 am Monday and Friday, as well as operating from 1.30 to 3.00 pm on the Kindergarten orientation days.

James Skinner – President, Singleton Public School P&C Association

Year 5 and Support Unit Aussie Bush Camp



SPS Volunteer Canteen Roster 2017

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W E E K 1	Anna Adamswaite	Julie Thomas	Nicole Furness	Kirsten Roxbourg	Amy Stone
	1 more helper please		1 more helpers please	Lisa Kramers	Rebecca Cooke
					1 more helpers please
	20-Feb-17	21-Feb-17	22-Feb-17	23-Feb-17	School Development Day 24-Feb-17
	20-Mar-17	21-Mar-17	22-Mar-17	23-Mar-17	24-Mar-17
	15-May-17	16-May-17	17-May-17	18-May-17	19-May-17
	Public Holiday	13-Jun-17	14-Jun-17	15-Jun-17	16-Jun-17
	07-Aug-17	08-Aug-17	09-Aug-17	10-Aug-17	11-Aug-17
	04-Sep-17	05-Sep-17	06-Sep-17	07-Sep-17	08-Sep-17
	30-Oct-17	31-Oct-17	01-Nov-17	02-Nov-17	03-Nov-17
27-Nov-17	28-Nov-17	29-Nov-17	30-Nov-17	01-Dec-17	
W E E K 2	Renee Mouser	1 more helper please	Sarah Land	Robyn Skinner	Paula Stokes
	1 more helpers please		Melissa Muddiman	1 more helpers please	Maxine Kolinos
					1 more helpers please
	30-Jan-17	31-Jan-17	01-Feb-17	02-Feb-17	03-Feb-17
	27-Feb-17	28-Feb-17	01-Mar-17	02-Mar-17	03-Mar-17
	27-Mar-17	28-Mar-17	29-Mar-17	30-Mar-17	31-Mar-17
	School Development Day	Public Holiday	26-Apr-17	27-Apr-17	28-Apr-17
	22-May-17	23-May-17	24-May-17	25-May-17	26-May-17
	19-Jun-17	20-Jun-17	21-Jun-17	22-Jun-17	23-Jun-17
	School Development Day	18-Jul-17	19-Jul-17	20-Jul-17	21-Jul-17
14-Aug-17	15-Aug-17	16-Aug-17	17-Aug-17	18-Aug-17	
11-Sep-17	12-Sep-17	13-Sep-17	14-Sep-17	15-Sep-17	
09-Oct-17	10-Oct-17	11-Oct-17	12-Oct-17	13-Oct-17	
06-Nov-17	07-Nov-17	08-Nov-17	09-Nov-17	10-Nov-17	
04-Dec-17	05-Dec-17	06-Dec-17	07-Dec-17	08-Dec-17	
W E E K 3	Kristine Lawrence	Melissa Wilson	Claire Elgar	Maree Davidson	Kate Howe
	Di Cooke		1 more helper please	Lisa Karmers	Renee Mouser
					1 more helper please
	06-Feb-17	07-Feb-17	08-Feb-17	09-Feb-17	10-Feb-17
	06-Mar-17	07-Mar-17	08-Mar-17	09-Mar-17	10-Mar-17
	03-Apr-17	04-Apr-17	05-Apr-17	06-Apr-17	07-Apr-17
	01-May-17	02-May-17	03-May-17	04-May-17	05-May-17
	29-May-17	30-May-17	31-May-17	01-Jun-17	02-Jun-17
	26-Jun-17	27-Jun-17	28-Jun-17	29-Jun-17	30-Jun-17
	24-Jul-17	25-Jul-17	26-Jul-17	27-Jul-17	28-Jul-17
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13-Nov-17	14-Nov-17	15-Nov-17	16-Nov-17	17-Nov-17	
11-Dec-17	12-Dec-17	13-Dec-17	14-Dec-17	15-Dec-17	
W E E K 4	Myffany Laurie	Rebecca Tutt	Susan Henderson	Tammy Cox (1/2 Day)	Maxine Kolinos
	1 more helper please		1 more helper please	Felicity Murray	Sandy Tickell
					1 more helper please
	13-Feb-17	14-Feb-17	15-Feb-17	16-Feb-17	17-Feb-17
	13-Mar-17	14-Mar-17	15-Mar-17	16-Mar-17	17-Mar-17
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	23-Oct-17	24-Oct-17	25-Oct-17	26-Oct-17	27-Oct-17
20-Nov-17	21-Nov-17	22-Nov-17	23-Nov-17	24-Nov-17	

Congratulations to our assembly award winners for Term 4, 7 Week 2016

CLASS AWARD RECIPIENTS K - 6

Assembly Awards

KM	Brendan Pin-Ling	K/1L	Grace Ewan Sean
KS	Carson Sybella	KJ	Stevie Levi
1FL	Sophie Abbie	1/2H	Hudson Bailey
1E	Kaiden Ellie Ann	2L	Arky Thomas
2P	Sam Clancy	3A	Alison Erica Seth
3S	Josh Indi Chelsea	3/4R	Abbie Samuel Lachlan
4Z	Jena Krystal Harrison	4/5B	Nick Joseph Hugh
5I	Aussie Bush	5E	Aussie Bush
6D	Jack Aaron Charla	6M	Logan Jorja Macy
7B	Dre	7W	Noah

Singleton Stars

Early Stage 1	Nate	Stage 1	Mia
Stage 2	Alex	Stage 3	Mason, Shane

Super Citizens

KM	Karlie	3/4R	Talan
1FL	Mitchell	6M	Maddison
2L	Charlotte	6D	Gypsie



SATURDAY

3rd December 2016

Singleton Showground

This is a **FREE** Event!

- * **EXHIBITIONS**
- * **DEMONSTRATORS**
- * **STALL HOLDERS**

To enter as a Stall holder or to participate in the exhibition the cost is \$20

Reps in attendance from Jasco, Chroma Australia, S&S Wholesalers and National Art Materials, with great product information and freebies.

Enquiries 02 6572 1364
2/96 John Street, Singleton (facing Coles carpark)

SINGLETON STRIKERS FOOTBALL CLUB



SSFC Junior Committee invites all new and returning boys and girls to come and register for the 2017 season.

TEAM AND PLAYER REGISTRATION DAYS AT CLUB SINGLETON (William St)

Saturday 4th February & Sunday 12th February
from 10:00am to 2:00pm

Come and register your team or as an individual.
New **GIRLS ONLY** teams for 2017.

PLAYER REGISTRATION FEES

Under 6 - Under 7 : **\$120**

Under 8 - Under 11 : **\$140**

Under 12 - Under 18 : **\$160**

\$10 discount for registering on our Rego Days

New players are most welcome and **must** bring along a **photocopy** of their birth certificate. Players must be turning 5 years of age in the 2017 calendar year to play.

CONTACT: President Mark Henderson - 0417 445 233
Registrar Matt Creagh - 0468 544 773

Note that registration with FFA **MUST be completed online** by all players prior to registering with SSFC. Go to: www.myfootball.com.au

Full registration details, instructions and registration forms are available on the club website: www.singletonstrikers.com.au

Vacation Care January 2017

Bookings, enquiries and information

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Monday 2 nd Jan	Tuesday 3 rd Jan	Wednesday 4 th Jan	Thursday 5 th Jan	Friday 6 th Jan
Closed Public Holiday	Closed Public Holiday	D.I.Y Crafts and Design Day	Ten Pin Bowling \$9pp includes hot chips	Messy / Crazy Craft and water
Monday 9 th Jan	Tuesday 10 th Jan	Wednesday 11 th Jan	Thursday 12 th Jan	Friday 13 th Jan
Wacky Water Day Slip N Slide Paint Bombs	Majestic Cinemas Movie Day \$22pp Movie- Sing Includes bus, movie, popcorn and drink	Record own Stories at library	Master Chef If You love cooking then today is the day for you! Become a master chef in the kitchen as we explore the wonderful world of food.	Yrs 4- 6 Youth Venue Safe Self Defence Class
Monday 16 th Jan	Tuesday 17 th Jan	Wednesday 18 th Jan	Thursday 19 th Jan	Friday 20 th Jan
Ghost JAM@ Singleton Library \$10pp	Science Day	Rock Pool Adventures visit Sea Life Show \$20pp	Wacky Water Day Sprinklers	4-6 Youth Venue Video game tournament K-3 Crazy Craft
Monday 23 rd Jan	Tuesday 24 th Jan	Wednesday 25 th Jan	Thursday 26 th Jan	Friday 27 th Jan
Ten Pin Bowling \$9pp includes hot chips	Yrs K - 3 Library 4-6 Movie Popcorn	Australia Day Festivities Sausage Sizzle Lunch Lamingtons Craft Games	Closed Public Holiday	Majestic Cinemas Movie Day \$22pp Movie Moana Includes bus, movie, popcorn and drink

Yellow Bus Stands for excursion; fill out permission forms on the day of arrival.



Bake Off 2016



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