

Newsletter to Parents

SINGLETON PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Week 8 Term 4

QUALITY RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY

29 NOVEMBER 2017

End of Year Activities

Parents and carers are urged to ensure that permission notes and payments are returned promptly to school for the various class and year activities to be conducted in these last few weeks.

Please also keep in mind the K-2 Christmas Concert which is always a highlight for our younger students. As per tradition, entry is by donation of non-perishable food items that we can donate to local charities for Christmas Hampers (more details in the newsletter).

Our 2017 Presentation Day is scheduled to be held at the Civic Centre on Monday, 11 December commencing at 12 o'clock. All students will be transported to the Civic Centre for the ceremony. As well as presenting our annual awards we will also be announcing the incoming School Captains and school leaders for 2018.

Support Unit Presentation

On Friday, a number of our students in the Support Unit will be recognised at our weekly assembly with their Annual Presentation awards. The students to be recognised are our younger students and those that may be overwhelmed at the larger presentation at the Civic Centre. Parents and carers of the students involved have been invited to attend this special assembly.

School Professional Development Day Change – March 2018

Please be advised that the school is proposing to alter the arrangements for our School Development Day for 2018. It is proposed that the School Development Day (Pupil Free Day) that is scheduled to be held on Monday, 23 July (Day 1, Term 3) be moved to Thursday, 29 March (Easter Thursday). This change is being proposed to enable all staff to engage with professional presenters to enhance the delivery of Writing across the school and embed common practice and language into our teaching. Students would not attend school on Thursday, 29 March (they get an extended Easter break); however would return to school on Day 1, Term 3. More information will be provided in 2018 however I wanted to give families early notice in case people wanted to arrange family vacations.

David Crowe
Principal



Education

Calendar of Events

Wednesday 29 November	Combined Scripture service Active After School Sports concludes
Thursday 30 November	Cultural Group Excursion leave school at 9.15 am sharp
Tuesday 5 December	Year 6 SHS Orientation Day 9.30 am - 2.30 pm - Students will walk from SPS Year 6 Party Day note and payment due (cash only) 2018 Student Council Election Assembly starting at 12.00 pm in the school hall
Wednesday 6 December	Years 2-6 Swimming Carnival P&C Meeting 6.00 pm in school Library
Thursday 7 December	Year 6 Party Day - held at school and netball courts K-2 and Support Unit Christmas Concert 9.45 am - 11.10 am Presentation Day note due back to teachers
Friday 8 December	Kinder Transition last day Stage 2 Party Day money and note due back K-2 and Support Unit Christmas Concert 9.45 am - 11.10 am Expression of interest notes for 2018 Year 6 Canberra due back to school
Monday 11 December	Presentation Day - Civic Centre 12.00 pm (arrive at 11.45 am)
Tuesday 12 December	Stage 1 Party Day - held at school Stage 2 Party Day - Majestic Cinemas
Wednesday 13 December	Year 6 Assembly 12.15 pm Year 6 Farewell 6.00 - 7.00 pm buffet and 7.00 - 8.30 pm Stage 3 disco
Thursday 14 December	Kinder Party Day - Townhead Park
Friday 15 December	Last day of Term 4

The Support Unit Group 1 awards will be presented at this weeks assembly at the starting time of 12.45 pm.

K-2 Christmas Concert

On Thursday, 7 December and Friday, 8 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.**

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Payments that are due:-

- *Swimming Carnival Tuesday, 5 December*
- *Year 6 Party Day (cash only), Tuesday, 5 December*
- *Stage Two Party Day, Friday, 8 December*

Notes that have gone home:-

- *Stage One Party Day Note*
- *Stage Two Party Day*
- *Swimming Carnival Note*
- *Year 6 Party Day*
- *Year 6 Canberra expressions of interest*

What's in this week's newsletter:-

- *Year 6 Canberra 2018*
- *Presentation Day*
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<http://www.singleton-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/newsletters>*

Year 6 Canberra 2018

Expression of interest notes for Canberra 2018 have been sent home, please return by Friday, 8 December.

Year 6 Party Day

Note and payment (cash only) for Year 6 Party Day to be returned to the class teacher by Tuesday, 5 December.

Swimming Carnival

The annual school swimming carnival will be held on Wednesday, 6 December. Please have all payments to school by Tuesday, 5 December. No money will be taken after this date.

Stage Two Party Day

Notes and payment for Stage 2 Party Day due to the Office by Friday, 8 December.

Cancer Council NSW Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to enjoy a healthy holiday season.

You can still enjoy treats this holiday season, just don't forget it's all about moderation and aiming for two serves of fruit + five serves of veg every day.

At family dinners or barbecues with friends try these healthier choices:

- Try veggie sticks with veggie dip as a starter. Fill up on healthier foods first.
- Snack on roasted chickpeas or popcorn, and baked veggie chips.
- Make sure half your lunch or dinner plate is filled with veggies or tasty summer salads.
- Serve a big bowl of fruit salad or fruit kebabs alongside dessert.



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

Eat It To Beat It

Canteen Roster - Week 9 Term 4 2017

Mon 4/12/17	Teagan Hartcher, Di Cooke, Carolyn Martin
Tues 5/12/17	Lynda Damstra
Wed 6/12/17	Sarah Land, Melissa Muddiman, Julie Thomas
Thurs 7/12/17	Nicole Furness, Kylie Broadbent, Cara Roohan
Fri 8/12/17	Paula Stokes, Jen Andrews, Lauren Hales

Please advise the Canteen if you have any changes to your rostered day.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop has now relocated to Lowes at Singleton Square. They are currently selling uniforms in-store and have now introduced an online ordering system at <http://www.lowes.com.au>.

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	Rachel Nichols
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 time
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

Canberra Year 6 2018

Year 6 teachers have booked the 2018 excursion to Canberra from the 9 April – 13 April, 2018.

Expression of interest notes for the 2018 Year 6 Canberra excursion will be sent home this week. This note needs to be returned to school by Friday, 8 December. A \$50 deposit will need to be paid by Monday, 12 February 2018.

APPROXIMATE COST: **Students - \$650** **Parents - \$700**

Di Merrick, Robyn Dibben and Stewart Ison
Year Six Teachers

Presentation Day

The school's annual Presentation Day will be on Monday, 11 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, 7 December and Friday, 8 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. Please don't put strollers or stand in the aisles marked on each side of the hall.

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.

KS Market Day

This coming Friday, 1 December, before and after assembly KS will be holding a market stall at the back of the hall. On sale will be items leftover from the KS Handicraft Fete Stall. The market stall will also take place on Thursday, 7 and Friday, 8 December before and after the K-2 Christmas Concert.

Year 6 Party Day

On Thursday, 7 December, Year 6 are going to have a party day to celebrate the end of the year. They will begin the day by having a device or game morning, followed by a packed lunch. We will then walk to the netball courts to finish off our netball comp before returning to school and watching a movie. The afternoon and night activities include a water slide, Nerf war and scare light game. Total cost for the party food and pizza dinner will be \$10.00 per child **(cash only please)**. Money and permission notes for this activity are to be handed TO THE CLASS TEACHER by Tuesday, 5 December.

Robyn Dibben, Di Merrick and Stewart Ison
Year 6 Teacher

Year 6 Farewell

On Wednesday, 13 December, Year 6 will be having their School Farewell. 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

Thank you to McDonalds Singleton

On Tuesday, 5 December McDonalds Singleton is kindly supporting Singleton PS with their Coffee for a Cause promotion. From 6.00 am to 10.30 pm, 50 cents from every large McCafe beverage purchased will be donated to Singleton Public School. Please consider supporting the school with a purchase!

Summer Reading Club

The library staff are preparing again for the Summer Reading Club. Sign up letters will come home shortly. Research shows children who continue to read over the break are more likely to maintain their reading and comprehension levels (if not improve them).

Students who join the club get to borrow six school library books to read over the summer break. When we return to school they need to return their completed reading log and books by the end of the first full week of school to go into our club draw. We have some great prizes from our sponsors who are listed below. So, keep an eye out for the sign-up letter and make sure you have no overdue books so you can join in.

Thank you to the following sponsors:

Singleton Chicken Spot	Moss and Twine
Redbourneberry	Hunter Floral Studio
Majestic Cinema	Singleton Optus
AIE Optical	Michael Bestic Solicitor
Kevin O'Brien Optometrist	Singleton Hi-Fi
LionCrest	Bakers Delight
McDonalds Singleton	Modern Teaching Aids
Howard Storage World Rutherford	

We will keep you up to date as new sponsors join the program.

Benita Van Der Wel
Librarian

Library News

The library has been undertaking the annual stocktake and is looking for missing books. Please add this link to your browser to watch.

<https://youtu.be/tEXNSF28fCk>

Benita Van Der Wel
Librarian

Work Experience

For the next two weeks we have some excited Year 10 students here from Singleton High School completing work experience.



Singleton High School

Extends an invitation for you to attend

Year 6/7 Orientation Day

on

Tuesday, December 5th, 2017

from 9.30am to 2.30pm

Students will meet in MPC on arrival.

Please bring food and drinks for recess or use the school canteen. Hot food can be ordered from the canteen in the morning. A sausage sizzle will be provided for all students by the SRC for lunch.

Students will be organised into their Year 7 classes and will participate in a range of activities to get to know each other and the high school.

Parents/carers are welcome to attend the Orientation Morning and are invited to stay for Morning Tea as well as to talk to staff.

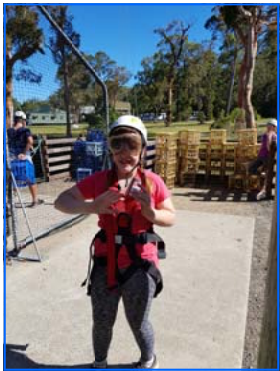
(The day's schedule will be forwarded closer to the date)

For further information, please contact Mark Henderson (Transition Coordinator) or

Year Advisers – Luke Davis & Rachael Said

Singleton High School – Ph: 0265 711 199

Aussie Bush Year 5 and Support Unit



Congratulations to our assembly award winners for Term 4, Week 7 2017

CLASS AWARD RECIPIENTS K - 6

Assembly Awards

KM	Laylah James	KL	Olivia Lochie
KS	Sam Oliver	1F	Logan Amelia
1LS	Sybella Alexis	1H	Eric Stevie
2J	Nate Chloe	2L	Ava Ewan
2PD	Archie Mackenzie Mitchell	3A	Sheridyn Ashton Jack
3N	Frankie Molly Jack Zedekai	4B	Charlie Talan Siaan
4Z	Jack Kayden Ella	4/5S	Abbie Jackson Charlotte
5/6I	Aussie Bush	5E	Aussie Bush
6D	Georgia Matthew Ella	6M	Coen Ruby Nozipho
7B	-	7W	Damian

Singleton Stars

Early Stage 1	Lochie	Stage 1	Hamish
Stage 2	Talan	Stage 3	

Super Citizens

KS/KM	Macey / Jasmyn	3A	Kayley
1LS/1F	Mia / Ila	4Z / 4/5S	Harrison / Charlotte
2PD / 2J	Sarah / Jackson	6D	Claire
2J / 2L	Abbie / Noah	7W	Bella



The colours of the rainbow



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