

# Newsletter to Parents

## SINGLETON PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Week 8 Term 2

QUALITY RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY

14 JUNE 2017

### Gate Changes

Please be aware that the gate next to the notice board in Hunter Street will be opened for morning and afternoon drop-offs and pick-ups. The grassed area outside the Parsonage building is looking a bit worse from wear, therefore to give it a break we request that where possible students use this gate instead of the one directly in front of the Office.

### Kindergarten 2018

Parents and carers are requested to contact the school office to register their children for Kindergarten 2018. The Department of Education is enforcing school zoning restrictions across the State and this may impact the availability of places within our school in the future.

### Garden Club

Congratulations to all of the students involved on a regular basis with our Garden Club program. With the support and direction of Miss Moon, our 'Garden Clubbers' are producing some fantastic vegetables, herbs and a bumper crop of mandarins and other citrus fruit. I am not sure if "the girls" are laying eggs at the moment, but when they do we often have eggs available for sale as well.

Fresh produce is regularly available for purchase on Fridays at the commencement of the school assembly.

### School Reports

Staff are busy at present preparing mid-year reports that will be sent home during the last week of term. These reports are based on the work addressed this term in class and reflect the achievements and efforts of our students during the first two terms.

David Crowe  
Principal

### Calendar of Events

<b>Wednesday 14 June</b>	Life Education Van 5E,6M/6I,KL
<b>Thursday 15 June</b>	Life Education Van 5I/5S,4B,KM
<b>Friday 16 June</b>	Life Education Van 4S,3A,KS Science Day at Muswellbrook Year 3 Outdoor Experience deposit due
<b>Monday 19 June</b>	Life Education Van 3N,2J,1F
<b>Tuesday 20 June</b>	Life Education Van 7B,2PD,1LS BandLink 2017 held at Broadmeadow
<b>Wednesday 21 June</b>	Life Education Van 2L,7W,1H BandLink 2017 held at Broadmeadow
<b>Thursday 22 June</b>	Life Education Van 6D,6I,4Z Debating Day held in school hall
<b>Friday 23 June</b>	Jump Rope Jump Off. Sponsorship forms and payments due at school Panto auditions
<b>Monday 26 June</b>	Year 4 Sydney deposit due Athletics carnival notes and payment due
<b>Thursday 29 June</b>	Athletics Carnival Visiting show notes and payments due
<b>Friday 30 June</b>	<b>Last day of Term 2</b>
<b>Monday 17 July</b>	<b>Staff Development Day</b>
<b>Tuesday 18 July</b>	Students return for Term 3 <b>No money to be received at the office</b>
<b>Wednesday 19 July</b>	Visiting Aboriginal Show - Lucas Proudfoot

**This weeks assembly is hosted by 1F at starting time of 12.45 pm.**



Education

## Knights Knock Out Under 10's

Last week our Under Tens Rugby League team travelled to Waratah to play in the Knights Knockout. The team played very well only losing one of their games and by a close margin. Once again I was extremely proud of the players both for their on field and off field performance. Thanks to all the parents who came to support the children and provided transport. A big thank you to Mr Gilmore and Mr Davidson for running the team on the day and providing jerseys. Our new jerseys have now arrived and are ready for next year. Thanks to the P and C for funding these. Once again I thank Dylan Grant for the amazing support he has given me in coaching and training the teams.

Cathy Black  
Rugby League Coordinator



## Athletics Carnival

Our annual Years 3-6 Athletics Carnival is being run on Thursday, 29 June (Friday, 21 July if it is postponed this will be advised via the school app). Both track and field events will take place on one day. The carnival will be held at Alroy Oval, Singleton Heights. We will leave school at 9.00 am, ready to start at 9.15 am sharp. This athletics carnival is for all children in Years 3-6 and only those Year 2 children who turn 8 years old this year.

Children will be participating in age groups (eg. 8 years) for some events and the results will be collated/combined to determine who goes onto Zone Athletics on August, 11 at Alroy Oval.

All children will travel to and from the oval by bus and the cost will be \$3.50. All children must come to school, have their name marked and then travel on the bus to Alroy Oval at the allotted time. At the end of the day children may go home with parents after the carnival however, the children's names MUST BE marked off the roll by their teacher. Children should wear house colours, school hat and sunscreen. Bottled water needs to be brought as well.

In previous years, the support and help of parents on this day has been essential. Once again, we are in need of parent helpers to help make the day enjoyable for all. If you are able to help at the Carnival could you please fill in the note on the permission note and return it to school. Please have the permission note and money returned to school by Monday, 26 June. If the bus money is not paid by this date, the students will remain at school and be supervised by available staff.

As this carnival is for children in Years 3 to 6, all K-2 children (except those 8 year old Year 2 children participating) will stay at school and have normal classes. All Year 3 to 6 teachers will be supervising at the carnival.

Parents and spectators are most welcome. Come and support your child!

Cathy Black and Sharmyn Zeidler  
Sport Co-ordinators

## Payments to School

As stated in earlier newsletters, the Department of Education are introducing a new computer system for schools to use for finance, attendance, enrolments, health and wellbeing, etc. At Singleton Public School, this system will "Go Live" at the start of Term 3. Therefore the school will not be able to take payments between 18 and 24 July 2017.

In the lead up to this transition period, could all parents/carers please ensure that all payments are finalised before Monday, 26 June. This includes any voluntary contributions that you would like to pay for the year, P&C Levy payments, excursion deposits, visiting show payments and band instrument hire. Statement of Accounts will be sent home again towards the end of the term.

Your understanding in this matter is appreciated.

 **Nutrition Snippet**

## The simplest way

...to swap out sugary lunch box snacks.

Did you know that out of more than 260 kids' packaged snacks available on the market only three scored a top rating of five health stars?\*



With plugs like 'real fruit,' and 'no artificial colours or flavours' you could unknowingly be serving six or more teaspoons of sugar in one lunch box snack.

Swap the lunch box sugar with some of these healthy snacks that are tasty and easy to make:

- Veggie sticks with hummus or avocado dip.
- Homemade muesli bars and muffins.
- Plain popcorn, nuts or roasted chickpeas.
- Plain rice crackers.
- Baked pita bread with roast veg dip.
- Stewed apple with cinnamon and sultanas.

For more snack ideas visit: [eatittobeatit.com.au](http://eatittobeatit.com.au).  
 \*Miranda Herron. 2016. Kids' lunchbox snacks. CHOICE  
 Available at: <https://www.choice.com.au>. [Accessed April 2017]

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### Canteen Roster - Week 8 Term 2 2017

Mon 19/6/17	Teagan Hartcher, Di Cooke (when available)
Tues 20/06/17	Lynda Damstra, Lesley Evans
Wed 21/06/17	Sarah Land, Melissa Muddiman, Julie Thomas
Thurs 22/6/17	Nicole Furness, Kylie Broadbent, Cara Roohan
Fri 23/6/17	Paula Stokes, Jen Andrews, Kristine Lawrence

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:-

**“ Respectful people help each other ”**

### 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 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

## Visiting Show

On Wednesday, 19 July 2017 Lucas Proudfoot will be performing at our school.

Lucas is a member of the Tweed Coast Bundjalung/South Sea Islander Community with a background in professional surfing, music and traditional Aboriginal dance. He has performed in over 25 countries worldwide in a performance featuring guitar, stomp box and didgeridoo plus other Indigenous instruments including clap sticks and boomerangs.

There will be two performances at 12.00 pm and 2.00 pm.

The cost is **\$6.00** per student which should be returned to the class teacher with the permission note by **Thursday, 29 June 2017**. Please note this visiting show is covered by **Supercover**.

Payments for this visiting show must be received this term as the new LMBR finance system will be in operation at the beginning of Term 3 and there will be a freeze on the school accounts during the transition period. **Strictly no late payments will be accepted.**

## P&C Meeting

The P&C held their June meeting on Wednesday, 7 and I would like to thank all that were in attendance.

At the meeting we agreed to fund the purchase of 2 x Commboxes for the school. Commboxes are the latest technological device with interactive screens that will replace the current Smart Boards through out the school. Many Smart Boards will need to be replaced over the coming years and the P&C hopes to be able to help out again with funding in the future if possible.

We also committed around \$30,000 to start a Playground Upgrade Fund. This will be a major project that will be funded in part by the school and the P&C, we also hope to secure some funding from available grants. The P&C hope to totally refurbish the playground area where the soft fall and fire engine are. Watch this space as this major project progresses.

In other news, the Breakfast Club is always busy nourishing little bodies each day. In May, we had an average of 33 students each day in attendance. We thank all the amazing Mums and Dads who help out and welcome Dale Green who will be helping out coordinate the Breakfast Club with Sandy Tickell. A big thank you to both Sandy and Dale for all their efforts, we really appreciate all that you do. Sandy and Dale are looking for volunteers particularly on a Tuesday and a Friday, if you can help out these days please get in touch with the ladies.

The P&C are also starting the task of organising this year's school Fete. The school Fete is the P&C major fundraiser for the year and is a day where we invite all of the school community to come along and join the students and teachers for a day full of fun and fundraising! We are having our first Fete Committee Meeting this coming Friday, 16 June at 2.00 pm in the school canteen. We welcome anyone to come along and share ideas and help out with the organisation of the Fete.

The P&C would like to bid a fond farewell to the Rasmussen Family who are leaving the school this month and moving to sunny QLD. We would like to thank Alethea and James for their support and contribution to the P&C over the past few years and wish them the very best of luck with their move and for the adventure that awaits their family. Thank you!

Remember the Canteen is now open all day everyday!! Lisa & Tracy are always looking for volunteers so if you have a spare day or a spare half day to help out please see Lisa or Tracy in the canteen and they will be happy to answer any questions you may have and to get you onto the roster. Dads, grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends - everyone is more than welcome!

Best regards,

Nicole Furness

President

Singleton Public School P&C Association

## Lost Property

There are currently a lot of items in lost property. If your child is missing an item of clothing could you please check in the lost property blue tub, located outside of the Breakfast Club.



## Statement of Accounts

Statement of Accounts have been sent out this week. The enclosed statement of account may include "Voluntary Family School Contribution", "P&C Voluntary Levy" or payments for excursions. Could all parents/carers ensure that all payments are finalised this term in readiness for the new LMBR system.

## Life Education Van

As you know the Hunter Life Van will be visiting our school over the next two weeks. If children wish to purchase any of the merchandise, could they please send their order into their class teacher. Please label clearly with name and class. We have three changes to the class programs.

Kindergarten– Harold's Friendship

Year 5 - It's Your Call

Year 6 - Decisions

Also a huge thank you to the Singleton Lions Club who have offered to fund some students to attend the van.

Day/Date	Wed 14/6	Thurs 15/6	Fri 16/6	Mon 19/6	Tues 20/6	Wed 21/6	Thurs 22/6
Session 1 9.30 to 11.00 am	5E	5I/5S	4S	3N	7B	2L	6D & 6I
Session 2 12.00 to 1.30 pm	6M & 6I	4B	3A	2J	2PD	7W	4Z
Session 3 2.00 to 3.00 pm	KL	KM	KS	1F	1LS	1H	

### Introducer Program with the Newcastle Permanent

The Introducer Program with the Newcastle Permanent is a great way to raise money for Singleton PS. For every eligible new home loan (over \$100,000) simply mention Singleton Public School and the Newcastle Permanent will donate a generous \$600 to our school!

### Fundraising made easy

Introducer Program



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## Book Club LOOP

**LOOP** is the Scholastic Book Club  
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform.

It's easy to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order using your credit card. If your school is not yet in the **LOOP**, speak with your school's Book Club Organiser.

Head to [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://scholastic.com.au/LOOP)

or  GET IT ON Google play

Follow these **easy** steps!

**1** Simply grab your child's Book Club catalogue and either **SIGN-IN** or **REGISTER** your account.

**2** Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for), then select your **SCHOOL** and your **CHILD'S CLASS**.  
Note: You can order for multiple children at once if they attend the same school.

Looking for **MORE** product information? Additional content such as videos and downloads are available for select titles. Select your issue and enter the item number to view information on titles and some great resources, such as videos and reviews.

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**3** Click on **ORDER** and enter the item number from the Book Club catalogue.

**4** All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date.

*That's it!* There's no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details to your school.

 SCHOLASTIC





*The Coal & Allied 2017 Singleton Art Prize  
is being held in July*

*CALLING ALL BUDDING JUNIOR ARTISTS*

*OVER \$2000 IN PRIZE MONEY*

*FOR KIDS AGED 8-18*

*Opening Night & Winners Announced Friday 21 July 2017*

*Junior entries \$5 per painting  
Proceeds donated back to the Singleton community*

Open daily 10am to 6pm (entry \$2) Saturday 22 July to Tuesday 25 July

Venue Singleton Civic Centre – Queen Street Singleton NSW 2330

Download entry form from Website:- [www.singletononhunterrotary.org.au](http://www.singletononhunterrotary.org.au)

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**Come play with us!**

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# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

## for Breakfast Club

In 2016, Breakfast Club hosted 6000 students,  
ensuring a healthy start to their school day.

We are open from 8:40am to 9:10am.

We roster 2-3 volunteers per morning.

Volunteers are welcome to bring younger siblings of our  
students.

### Tasks include:

- Preparing toast, cereal and fruit for students.
- Making lunches, as requested by teachers.
- Washing up.
- Sharing laughs!

If you can spare 1 hour a week,  
or 1 hour a fortnight please contact:  
Sandy Tickell - 0418 452 905

# Can you help?



## Congratulations to our assembly award winners for Term 2, Week 6 2017

### CLASS AWARD RECIPIENTS K - 6

#### Assembly Awards

<b>KM</b>	Adysin Nevaeh	<b>KL</b>	Ryda Olivia
<b>KS</b>	Allira Liam	<b>1F</b>	Nicalais Arlo
<b>1LS</b>	Knox Jamilla	<b>1H</b>	Grace Anthony Harry
<b>2J</b>	Sophie Jackson	<b>2L</b>	Zeke Ewan
<b>2PD</b>	Mitchell Riley	<b>3A</b>	Sheridyn Hunter Hayden
<b>3N</b>	Zoe Evan Jack	<b>4B</b>	Josh Seth Beth
<b>4Z</b>	Harrison Jack Caleb	<b>4/5S</b>	Lillyan Harrison
<b>5/6I</b>	Ciara Marcus Ivy	<b>5E</b>	Jackson Lachlan Hugh
<b>6D</b>	Samuel Adam Samuel	<b>6M</b>	Amber Mav Lili
<b>7B</b>	Harley	<b>7W</b>	Damian

#### Singleton Stars

<b>Early Stage 1</b>	Annabelle	<b>Stage 1</b>	Hannah
<b>Stage 2</b>	Caleb	<b>Stage 3</b>	Alex

#### Super Citizens

<b>KS</b>	Hunter	<b>4/5S</b>	Lauren
<b>1LS</b>	Amelia	<b>5E</b>	Josh
<b>2PD</b>	Siddique	<b>6D</b>	Oliver <b>7B</b> Colby

**Class Award: Congratulations to 5E**



## Classwork By 6M



# Canberra 2017

Thank you to all the wonderful students and parents  
that took part in the Canberra excursion!

