Newsletter to Parents

SINGLETON PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Week 9 Term 3

QUALITY RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY

19 SEPTEMBER 2018

Visit from the Minister

Minister Sarah Mitchell (Deputy Minister for Education, Minister for Early Childhood and Minster for Aboriginal Affairs) and Michael Johnsen MP, Member for Upper Hunter, visited SPS on Monday, 10 September in recognition of the Connecting Country Schools Program and the STEMShare initiative.

Students from Singleton PS, King Street PS and Singleton Heights PS were totally enthralled and engaged in a 3 hour session hosted by the STEMShare and T4L teams, learning and experimenting with Robotics, Coding, Virtual Reality, Green Screen Filming, 3D printing and Minecraft (education version). experimenting with Robotics, Coding, Virtual Reality, Green Screen Filming, 3D printing and Minecraft (education version).

Students demonstrated their new found knowledge and skills for our special guests and demonstrated the benefits of the CCS program and the STEMShare borrowing kits.

Many thanks to the STEMShare, T4L, ITD and Tech Support teams for their organisation and opportunities for our students today to experience the vast array of technology and STEM opportunities available to schools.

Fete Day

Our school fete was an outstanding success, despite the wet and rainy day. Our students had a wonderful time visiting the stalls, lip-sync battling, looking over the emergency vehicles and petting the animals from Oakvale Farm.

A massive thanks and huge appreciation to the band of P&C volunteers, fete committee, canteen staff, teachers and support staff and parents for working together to raise money for our much needed playground upgrade.

We are already looking forward to next year's fete day.

Congratulations

Keanu was successful last week in making the Hunter PSSA Cricket Team for the NSW State Carnival to be held in Barooga from 23-26 October. The team will play 4 x 50 over matches on the Tuesday through to Friday. Good Luck Keanu!

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Calendar of Events		
Wednesday 19 September	K-2 Sports Carnival at Cook Park leaving SPS at 9.30 am	
Thursday 20 September	Year 3 Outdoor Experience excursion please arrive at school by 8.30 am Girls cricket team to verse Mullumbimby PS at Port Macquarie	
Friday 21 September	Year 3 Outdoor Experience returning to SPS by 3.00 pm Kindergarten to Singleton Show leaving SPS at 9.30 am	
Monday 24 September	Year 5 Aussie Bush excursion deposit due "Pop Up" P&C second hand uniform sale near Breakfast Club 8.30 - 9.00 am	
Tuesday 25 September	Disco in school hall 5.00 - 6.00 pm K-2 Disco 6.00 - 7.30 pm Years 3-6 Please drop students off at Elizabeth St and collect them from Hunter St	
Friday 28 September	"Pop Up" P&C second hand uniform sale near Breakfast Club 8.30 - 9.00 am Last Day Term 3	
Monday 15 October	First Day of Term 4 for staff and students	
Friday 19 October	Kinder 2019 Transition Program commences Session 1 9.30 am - 12.00 pm Session 2 12.30 pm - 3.00 pm	
Monday 22 October	Second Kinder parent information evening at 6.30 pm in school library	

The Week 9 assembly will be hosted by 4/5R at the starting time of 12.45 pm. The Week 10 assembly will be hosted by KDM at the starting time of 12.45 pm.



Hunter PSSA Boys Cricket Trials 2018

On Thursday, 6 September three of our Singleton Public School students travelled to Maitland to trial for the next stage of the Hunter Boys Cricket team selections. Clancy, Lachlan and Keanu earnt selection as part of the Upper Hunter component to participate in these selections back in February. These boys continued to impress the Hunter selectors greatly on the day with their batting and ball skills and sportsmanship. Lachlan and Keanu were







then selected to participate in the final 24 Possible and Probables on Thursday, 13 September. Both boys were outstanding in their batting and bowling and the selectors commented on the high level of skill shown on the day. Congratulations to all boys for their amazing efforts and a huge congratulations to Keanu who was successful in his selection to the Hunter PSSA Team.

Stage 1 Hunter Valley Zoo Excursion

On Monday, 10 September Year 1 and 2 visited Hunter Valley Zoo. All the students had a wonderful day and enjoyed meeting the many animals there. During the visit they had a talk about reptiles and mammals as well as watching the white lions being fed. The students patted a blue tongue lizard, python, sheep, goats and kangaroos. They also viewed maned wolves, cheetahs, meerkats, capybara, koalas, echidnas, wombats, ring-tailed lemurs, black-capped capuchin's and cotton-top tamarins to name a few. The white lions were amazing as when they jumped up to be fed they were taller than a person. The students learnt many wonderful facts such as the male emu cares for the young, lions like koalas like to sleep twenty hours a day and the fighting sound made by the black and white reffed lemurs when we arrived was just them talking. When asked by the Zoo staff if they wanted to return to the zoo, all the students replied yes. Thank you Hunter Valley Zoo for a wonderful day.

Katrina Hackett Year 1 Teacher/ Assistant Principal

















Good for Kids good for life

GUIDE TO HEALTHY EATING

Have you seen the Australian and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Guide to Healthy Eating? Children and adults should enjoy a wide variety of nutritious foods from the 5 food groups every day:

- Plenty of vegetables of different types and colours and legumes/beans.
- Fruit
- Grain (cereal) foods, mostly wholegrain and high fibre varieties, e.g. pasta, rice, bread etc.
- Lean meats and poultry, fish, eggs, tofu, nuts and seeds.
- Milk, yoghurt, cheese and/or alternatives, mostly reduced fat (full fat milk for children under 2).
- And drink plenty of water.





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www.eatforhealth.gov.au for more information.

PHONE 4924 6499

Canteen Roster - Week 10, Term 3 2018

Mon 24/9/18 Morgan Lees, Di Cooke, Aleks Jelaca

Tues 25/9/18 Evette Anderson

Wed 26/9/18 Julie Thomas, one more helper please

Thurs 27/9/18 Melissa Wilson, Maree Davidson

Fri 28/9/18 Rebecca and Craig Cooke, Amy Stone

Canteen Roster - Week 1, Term 4 2018

Mon 15/10/18 Rebecca Beattie, Allison Hodge, one more

helper please

Tues 16/10/18 Lisa Mortensen

Wed 17/10/18 Cara Roohan, Alan Hamson

Thurs 18/10/18 Kylie Broadbent, Nicole and Todd Furness

Fri 19/10/18 Maxine Kolinos, Sandy Tickell, Tracey Adams

Please advise the Canteen 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 – RESPONSIBIL-ITY – 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:-

Using school property responsibly

Notes that have been sent home:-

- Year 3 Outdoor Experience Excursion Final note
- Year 5 Aussie Bush note
- Kindergarten show note
- Intensive swimming note for all Year 2 students and selected Year 3-4 students

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AP Stage 1	Samuel Johnson (Relieving)	
AP Stage 2	Sharmyn Zeidler (Relieving)	
AP Stage 3	Katrina Hackett	
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		

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Year 3 Outdoor Experience Excursion

The Year 3 Outdoor Education Excursion is quickly approaching us.

Departure Time: Thursday, 20 September at the Elizabeth Street Gate at 8:45 am sharp.

(Please arrive to the school hall by 8:30 am at the latest).

Return Time: Friday, 21 September at the Elizabeth Street Gate by 3:00 pm.

If there are any changes to the time it will be updated on the school app. Please be mindful of parking during collection so regular school buses have access to the site.

Meals are provided from lunch on Day 1 to lunch on Day 2. Students are **required to pack morning tea and water for Day 1.** This needs to be packed in a small backpack (daypack) so it is accessible. Students will NOT be able to access their large packed bag.

<u>Reminder:</u> Students need to bring a mess pack (plate cup bowl fork spoon), sleeping bag, pillow, plus a refillable water bottle, hat and sunscreen – as per suggested packing list.

Activities: The following activities are available

*Giant Swing, plus many more activities.

Please note that this itinerary is still subject to change (due to weather etc).

Important Information

*No lollies or junk food are to be brought on the excursion.

*Souvenir money will need to be handed to classroom teachers in an envelope labelled with student's name, class and amount, (\$20 maximum), on the morning of Thursday, 20 September, prior to boarding the bus.

*Ipods, phones and cameras are **not to be taken** on the excursion. Please note that the teachers will take photos.

*Medication- All medication is to be handed to a teacher in original packaging with script procedures, medication administration times and with a with a completed medication form. Unsealed or unpackaged medication without student name and delivery instructions cannot be accepted.

Year 3 Teachers

Sporting Schools

Unfortunately Sporting Schools will not be running in Term 4 as the school was not successful in gaining funding.

Year 5 Aussie Bush

The Year Five major excursion for 2018 is a four-day (over-night) trip to The Great Aussie Bush Camp at Tea Gardens. The excursion supports and enhances our study of PD/H/PE, as well as encouraging independence and mutual co-operation.

During the excursion we are hopeful that the following activities will be available (weather permitting): *High Ropes *Rock Climbing *Lost (Mud world) *Canoeing *Night Activity (Country Fair) *Flying Fox

Travel is by bus which will depart at 8:45 am sharp on Tuesday, 27 November 2018 and return to school by 3.00 pm on Friday, 30 November 2018. Full information packs will go home closer to the date of the camp. We welcome you to go online and find out more information at www.bushcamp.com.au.

Approximately 90 students and 4 staff will attend the excursion.

Cost: \$355.00

This includes: coach travel, accommodation, programmed camp, qualified staff organising and managing camp activities, night activities and provided meals.

To secure a place, students are required to pay a non-refundable deposit of \$50.00, which needs to be paid by 12:30 pm on Monday, 24 September 2018. If no deposit is paid by the due date it will be assumed that your child will not be attending. No late payments will be accepted.

Payment: The balance of money owing needs to be paid to the office by 12.30 pm on Monday, 19 November 2018. Parents experiencing financial difficulty are encouraged to speak with their child's teacher or Mrs Burns at the office with regards to the Student Assistance Program. This must be completed at least one month prior to the final payment date. All discussions are private and confidential.

Year 5 Teachers

Enter to Learn P&C News

The Fete is done and dusted for another year and by all accounts everyone had an amazing day (despite the rain) and raised a big chunk of change to put toward our playground upgrade. Final figures have our total funds raised at just over \$16,000!! It is a mammoth effort and something that we can ALL be super proud of!!

A massive thank you to all the students, parents, grandparents, family, friends and staff for supporting our Fete and spending your hard earned cash on all of our wonderful Fete treasures.

A big thank you to Lisa and Tracy in the canteen for feeding us all. Everything was delicious, you have done an amazing job pulling everything together for Fete, we are so lucky to have you both. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped out in the canteen your contribution is so very valued, we appreciate your efforts and are grateful for your support. Also to the super amazing BBQ cooking Poppy's and their support staff!!

To all the teachers, staff and students who have worked so tirelessly getting everything ready for Fete day. The P&C appreciates the support you show us in getting in and working toward our goal of making SPS a brilliant school.

Thank you must also go to all the parents who have donated prizes to the raffle, chocolate, lollies, clothes, bottles, craft, cakes and all the other donated treasures!! This is why our Fete is so successful, everyone gets in and does their bit to donate items so we can raise as much money as we do each year. Thank you we appreciate your support and know that without it the Fete would not be possible.

We also need to thank a few businesses who helped out this year. To Newcastle Permanent Building Society who contributed to the purchase of the meat for the bbq, the bbq itself, water and prizes, to Singleton Hi Fi for lending us the equipment for the Lip Sync Battle, Glencore for supporting us by contributing to the cost of the photo booth, to Ashton Coal for their contribution to the cost of the Oakvale Petting Zoo. Your support is very much appreciated.

I also would like to thank the P&C committee for their help and support of our Fete, you guys always show up willing to help wherever you can. You are all stars and I thank you for everything you do. Special thanks to Kylie who has helped out getting the canteen ready and to Carrie for being the best Chief Fete Organiser in recent history!! Carolyn had worked so hard obtaining grants and sponsorships so that we can make more money and we appreciate the lengths you have gone to and the effort you have put it, it has certainly paid off. Thanks a million!!

The best part of Fete day is the happy smiling faces of all the children who attend and if we have made your child smile, then we are all very happy!!

Thank you to everyone, it is amazing to be part of such a beautiful school community.

Now onto planning for the playground.....

Nicole Furness President

"Pop Up" P&C second hand uniform sale

The P&C are holding a "Pop Up" second hand uniform sale near Breakfast Club on Monday, 24 September and Friday, 28 September from 8.30 - 9.00 am. All items will be for sale at reduced prices. If you have any donations of shirts, hats, shorts or dresses, please drop them to the box on the parsonage verandah.

Fete News Cake Stall

Congratulations to Sue Langdon, Elizabeth Singh and Liz Tudor who were winners of the Cake Stall Raffle.

Fete News KS

Thank you to everyone who contributed on some way to KS' handicraft and gift basket stall at our recent fete. Winners of the raffle were:-

First prize quilt, Maxine (Miss Drinan's mum)

Second prize quilt Heidi Kolatchew

Third Prize (crocheted rug) Sue Gardiner

The children's raffle of a bird cage was won by S.Taylor

Congratulations everyone!

Mrs Scoles

KDM and 3C Fete News

KDM and 3C would like to thank the McNamara family for another very generous donation of fresh vegetables at the school fete. They were great sellers as always, with many satisfied buyers going home to enjoy the produce.

Thank you! Mr Cochrane and Miss Drinan

Bees Wrap

'Beeswax wraps' are now available from the canteen. These are an eco-friendly substitute for glad wrap. A beeswax wrap should last a year. An instruction care sheet comes with the wrap.

sandwich/wrap size-\$5

snack size-\$3.

2019 Kinder Enrolments

Is it coming time for your child to commence their school education? The school is able to register names for children starting Kindergarten 2019 in our school zone. If you would like to start your child at school next year and haven't yet advised the school, please do not hesitate to contact the school office to record your interest.

School Planning - relocation

To assist the school in planning for classes and enrolments in 2019, we ask that families who intend on relocating at the end of 2018 contact the school office.

Coles Mini Toys

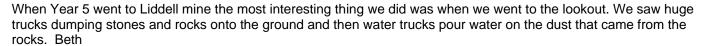
If you have any spare Coles mini toys, could you please send them to class 7B in the Support Unit. We are using them to teach life skills of purchasing products, counting and money skills to our special needs students.

Elaine Bunnemeyer Teacher

Year 5 Mine Tour

During the last week our Year 5 students had an opportunity to visit local mine sites to learn more about mining in the Hunter Valley. One group visited Liddell Open Cut while the other visited Bulga Open Cut. Below are some of the things the group visiting Liddell mine discovered. Thank you to the Upper Hunter Mining Dialogue and both sites for providing our students with this wonderful opportunity.

The first thing we did was go to the lookout. There were 35 trucks, some of them were water trucks, dump trucks and some others. Siaan



The mine is 250 metres deep. The trucks can carry 300 tons each time. Beau

On the 14th of September we jumped on the bus to Glencore's Liddell mine. We saw the dump trucks that hold 300 tons and have a 3000-horsepower motor. Seth W

At Liddell mine we learnt about one of their open cut mines. We learnt that the mine was 300m deep. Indi

The mine is rehabilitating the land they once mined on to make new land for cattle grazing. They are also planting trees and plants for the wildlife to eat and live among. Caitlan

When we got to there we went out to the lookout. We had a look at the lookout! Up there we saw two pieces of coal, then we went up to the big truck and we learnt: the holes are about 250 meters deep, and the tires are about 3m long and they have 30 dump trucks. Brianna

Band Instrument Hire Term 3 Payment Due

Thank you to the parents who have their child's Band Instrument Hire payments up to date. Please be aware that Term 3 payments for instrument hire are now due and Term 2 payments are in arrears. Could all parents please ensure that payments are up to date before the end of the term.

New look website

The new Singleton Public School website went live on Thursday, 30 August 2018.

All information can still be found on the website but it is in a new platform. The website address has also changed slightly.

You can now find the website at https://singleton-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/







Kindergarten to Singleton Show

Kindergarten will be walking to the Singleton Show on Friday, 21 September. They will leave SPS at 9.30 am and will return back to school by 11.00 am. Students will need to wear their school uniform, sunscreen plus take a hat and a water bottle.

Miss Drinan Organising Teacher

Support Unit Learn to Swim Program

Some of the students from 7B and 7W had participated in a 10 week learn to swim program at the YMCA - Swim and Gym during Term 3. All the students had their own swimming instructors and a personalised program to meet their needs. This has been a successful program as each of the student's confidence grew over time. They also developed water safety and learn to swim skills.

We would like to thank the Lioness Club for their donation and support, and the Golf Club for allowing us to use their mini bus.

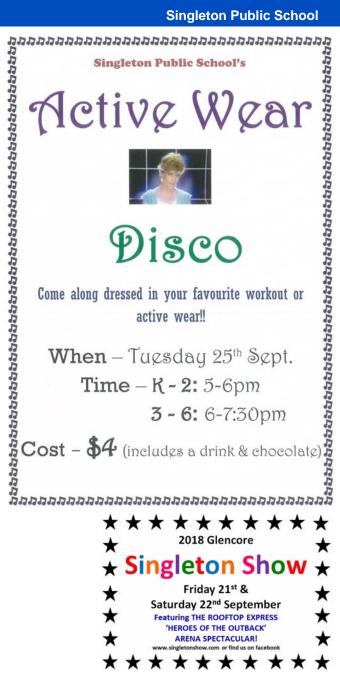
Elaine Bunnemeyer



CCS on show at Singleton NEWS

On Monday 10 September, Singleton Public School was the venue for a great Ministerial event showcasing the upgraded wireless connectivity delivered via the Connecting Country Schools (CCS) project. The Assistant Minister for Education. Sarah Mitchell MLC and staff and students from Singleton Public School, were joined by neighbouring schools included in the CCS project. Together, they tested out their new Wi-Fi and the exciting new STEMShare Community kits. Highlighting the benefits of the CCS and STEMShare Community projects at regional and remote schools is an interactive way to demonstrate how the projects are delivering future-focused learning opportunities for students in the digital age. Students enthusiastically participated in themed activities linked to their study, working with Robotics, Virtual Reality, 3D Printing, Filming Technology and coding tools. The ITD team would like to thank the staff and students at Singleton Public School for their hospitality, enthusiasm and ideas, which made for a fun and informative day.





Scholastic Book Fair

Scholastic Australia wishes to apologise for the delays in supplying the orders from the school's recent book fair. They have recently implemented a new computer system and are experiencing despatching issues, they hope to get things back on schedule soon.

KS Kinder Kids Cafe

Last Friday, KS held their Kinder Kids Café. Everyone was very excited. The classroom was transformed into a café. Tables were set up with tablecloths, place settings, vases of flowers and bags of real money. Each child brought guests along and everyone purchased delicious food and ate heartily. All who attended had a great time. Well done KS!

Mrs Scoles







Fete Day





































Registrations Open For 2018/19 Season

Information & Registration days at Singleton YMCA Gym & Swim

Thursday 27th September and Wednesday 17th October

3.45 - 5pm

First Comp night is Friday 19th October at 5.45pm

SASC is a registered Active
Kids Provider so make sure
you download your \$100
voucher to reduce
registration costs at
https://www.service.nsw.gov
.au/transaction/apply-activekids-voucher

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Competition nights held Friday evenings throughout school terms 4 & 1 starting at 5.45pm

For more information go to our

The club offers two free trial nights for new swimmers



Belonging

website www.singleton.swimming.org.au

in the Hunter Valley

Multicultural Services Expo

An invitation to multicultural communities living, working or studying in the Muswellbrook, Singleton and Upper Hunter areas.

Find out where to go when you need help!

Date: 20th September 2018

Time10:30am-1:00pm (Free hot drinks and Lunch provided by Rapid Relief Team)

Venue: Singleton Youth Auditorium Corner of Bathurst St & Pitt St, Singleton

Please contact Rose from Northern Settlement Services Ltd for more information. ph: (02) 4969 3399 email: rose@nsservices.com.au

This is an initiative of the Hunter Rural Multicultural Network











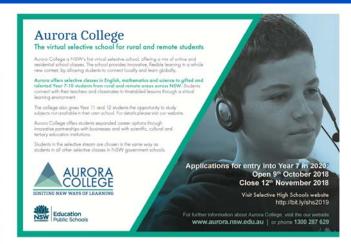
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SCHOOL HOLIDAY

JOIN OUR SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES!

DAILY MULTI SPORT PROGRAM STARTS AT 8.00AM AND ENDS AT 4.00PM.
HALF DAY SESSIONS ALSO AVAILABLE. HALF DAY \$20.00 OR FULL DAY \$40.00.
PLUS BASKETBALL, BOXING, MARTIAL ARTS....SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE...
FOOD NOT PROVIDED. BOOK NOW......SPOTS FILLING FAST.....

MONDAY	PUBLIC HOLIDAY – CLUB CLOSED
TUESDAY	ALL DAY MULTI SPORT BASKETBALL 2PM BOXING 4PM KARATE/MMA 6PM
WEDNESDAY	ALL DAY MULTI SPORT GYMNASTICS
THURSDAY	ALL DAY MULTI SPORT BASKETBALL 2PM BOXING 4PM TAEKWONDO 6PM
FRIDAY	ALL DAY MULTI SPORT KARATE/MMA 6PM
MONDAY	ALL DAY MULTI SPORT TAEKWONDO GPM
TUESDAY	ALL DAY MULTI SPORT BASKETBALL 2PM BOXING 4PM KARATE/MMA 6PM
WEDNESDAY	ALL DAY MULTI SPORT GYMNASTICS
THURSDAY	ALL DAY MULTI SPORT BASKETBALL 2PM BOXING 4PM AND TAEKWONDO 6PM
FRIDAY	ALL DAY MULTI SPORT KARATE/MMA GPM



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Congratulations to our assembly award winners for Term 3, Week 8 2018

CLASS AWARD RECIPIENTS K - 6

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Assembly Awards			
KDM	Tilly Cooper	KL	Henry Mia
KS	Charlotte Annabeth	1LF	Josefa Lane
18	Laylah Saxon	1H	Adysin Hailey
2J	Harry Knox	2L	Carter Jamila
2PD	Jai Archie	3 A	Khloe Ben Lochlain
3C	Abbie Max Aeryn	4B	Alyssa Jazz Ciah
3/4Z	Leo Rachael Ariel	4/5R	Lillyan Logan Miley
5K	Maegan Erin Riley	58	Jaxon Seth Charlie
6D	Abbie Hugh Nathan	6M	Kaylar Hugo Ruby
7B	Brodie	7W	Damian
	Singletor	n Stars	
Early Stage 1	McKenzie	Stage 1	Sunny
Stage 2	Jessica	Stage 3	Hannah
Super Citizens			
1H	Hailey	4B	Hamish
2L	Elena	6M	Kaylar
3C	Ewan		
Newcastle Perm Colouring Competition winners - Olivia and Sabine			

Classwork by 5S

5S students are currently engaged in an Australian Aboriginal art unit.

We are learning about the many facets of Indigenous art including rock engravings, x-ray art, Rark (cross-hatching), sand and bark paintings.

Here are some artworks demonstrating line and dot art.









