Many hands make light work! It was amazing to see the amount of dedicated parents, staff members and students who came along to our Working Bee on Sunday. All who were here chipped in and really got stuck in to various gardening jobs around the school. A massive thank you to Louis and Cassandra Wilson from Trunks Meats who donated all of the meat for our lunch. All families who were in attendance were really appreciative of the donation from the Wilson family.

Congratulations and a massive thank-you to Sophie of Year 6. Sophie survived the bitterly cold water of the dunk tank on Saturday to raise money for the Breakfast Club. Drayton’s mine were donating $100 for each dunk and Sophie was dunked 13 times. She raised a staggering $1300 for the Breakfast Club. The P&C also had a contestant with Alethea Rasmussen being dunked 6 times and raising $600 for the P&C. A huge effort and well done to Sophie and Alethea.

Congratulations to our four winners Lochlon (Kindergarten), Koia (Stage 1), Ruby (Stage 2) and Samuel (Stage 3) of the poster competition for the National Day against Bullying and Violence. All four students did a magnificent job and all gave different messages about bullying and how to deal with bullies.

It was wonderful to see the turnout for our Personalised Learning Plan meetings for Aboriginal students last week. Well done to all students, parents and teachers for your commitment to Aboriginal Education within the school. These individual plans are a great starting point for developing strong educational outcomes and improvement in student learning.

The next fortnight the students will be focusing on “Wearing the Correct School Uniform with Pride” as our ‘Positive Behaviour for Learning’ topic. All students are expected to wear our full school uniform whilst at school and to any other functions (where applicable) within the community. It is important that students wear a school hat and they all have their name written clearly on it. Our school uniform stands out in the community as very smart and polished. Let’s wear it with pride!

Jonathon Russell
Relieving Principal

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**Term 2**

| **Monday 20 April**                    |
| Staff Development Day OFFICE CLOSED    |
| **Tuesday 21 April**                   |
| Students Return Environmental Workshop (free program at school) K-2 |
| **Wednesday 22 April**                 |
| Environmental Workshop (free program at school) K-2 |
| **Friday 24 April**                    |
| ANZAC Day School Service 12pm School Hall Canberra final payment due |
| **Monday 4 May**                       |
| Visiting Show - Scienza Viva - K-6     |
| **Wednesday 6 May**                    |
| Zone Touch School Photos P&C Meeting 7pm in school library |
| **Friday 8 May**                       |
| Hunter Cross Country Save the date - P&C Movie Night |

This week’s assembly will be hosted by Year 6 at the starting time of 12.45pm.

Staff Development Day - The OFFICE will be CLOSED on Monday, 20 April for the Staff Development Day.
Kindergarten Big Breakfast

On Thursday, 19 March 2015 Kindergarten were able to experience Breakfast Club first hand when each class went for a healthy breakfast. The Breakfast Club is open every morning before school for children who need breakfast or a top up before school starts.

Pictured above is KL enjoying their big breakfast last Thursday. Thank you to Coles Singleton for the donation of milo, jam, fruit and paper plates and also to the breakfast club volunteers who put together a lovely breakfast and morning.

Responsible Pet Ownership Visit

On Tuesday, 17 March, K-2 were lucky enough to have a visit from Nicole Willis, and her pet dog Thunder, from the Responsible Pet Program. This program teaches children the responsible way to approach a dog and what to do if a dog is to approach them.

The children were able to practice these skills on Thunder, and fun was had by all - especially Thunder!

Fire Visit Year 6

Last Monday, 16 March, the Rural Fire Service visited our school as part of Year 6’s Science unit: “Surviving a Bushfire.” The children participated in activities and discussions regarding staying safe and being fire ready. Thank you to the members of Darlington Brigade and Fire Control for co-ordinating such a great display, the students thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Debbie Grainger (Science Teacher)

New Ground Tools

A big thank you to the P&C for their donation towards the purchase of new ground equipment for the school. Along with a new sprayer, hedge trimmer, mower and blower/vac, new tools also include a drill/grinder, hoe and pruner.
Uniform Shop Roster - Week 10, Term 1 2015
Mon 30/3/15 (8.30 - 9.30 am) 2 helpers required
Fri 3/4/15 (8.30 - 9.30 am) Good Friday
Please contact someone else on the roster if you need to swap your duty.

Canteen Roster - Week 10, Term 1 2015
Mon 30/3/15 Judy Felton, 1 more helper please
Tues 31/3/15 Aimee Cole, Rebecca Hobbs
Wed 1/4/15 Liz Tudor, Peggy-Anne Towns
Thurs 2/4/15 Mary Franks, 1 more helper please
Fri 3/4/15 Good Friday
Please advise Nicole Gray if you have any changes to your rostered day.

Information from the DEC

Back by popular demand
Mention head lice and most of us instantly develop an itch. While head lice and nits, (the eggs of head lice) are certainly annoying and persistent, they're not dangerous. Here's everything you need to know to rid your kids of head lice and nits. http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/headlice/Pages/nitbusters.aspx

Practise to be a journalist
This website could definitely make practising writing and spelling more interesting for all of us. Make a newspaper clipping with your own headline and story. Your child may even start imagining themselves as a publisher or journalist. http://www.fodey.com/generators/newspaper/snippet.asp

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.

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**Cross Country**

The school cross country was held on Friday, 20 March. Although it was a very hot day the children participated well and all had a great time. Following are the children who will represent Singleton Public School at Zone. Good Luck!

8/9 Girls- Lucy, Laura, Phoebe
8/9 Boys- Hamish, Max, Jake
10 Girls- Emily, Ashlee, Lili
10 Boys- Brock, Oliver, Miller
11 Girls- Hannah, Lexie, Jorja
11 Boys- Ryan, Ethan, Troy
12/13 Girls- Jules K, Chloe, Sophie
12/13 Boys- Campbell, Jaiden, Jayden

Ribbons will be presented at the assembly in Week 2, Term 2.

**After School Sports**

A reminder that this Thursday, 26 March is the last day for After School Sports for Term 1, 2015.

**Military Museum**

The students of Singleton Public School will be visiting the Military Museum at the Singleton Army Camp on Monday, 30 March, Tuesday, 31 March and Wednesday, 1 April. This is the last week of Term 1.

The cost of the excursion is $6.00 per student, unless you have already paid Supercover. Children need to wear school uniform. Please return the permission note and money by 12.30 pm on Wednesday, 25 March in readiness for this excursion.

**GRADES WILL LEAVE SCHOOL AT:**

Monday, 30/3/15  
- 9.15 am  
- 11.00 am  
- 12.40 pm  
- Year 1  
- Year 2  
- Kinder  

Tuesday, 31/3/15  
- 9.15 am  
- 11.00 am  
- 12.40 pm  
- Year 5  
- Year 3  
- Year 6  

Wednesday, 1/4/15  
- 9.15 am  
- Year 4  

Support Unit students will be travelling with their appropriate grade.

Each grade looks at, and learns about, different aspects of army history with an interactive component. Children do not repeat the same sessions seen in previous years. All students will be accompanied by their class teachers.

If you have paid Supercover there is no need to return the permission note or to make payment. This excursion is covered by Supercover.
Kinder Farm Visit

On Tuesday, 10 March Kindergarten travelled to McNamara’s Farm to find out how vegetables are grown, picked and prepared for sale at the markets. Next they travelled to Algie’s Dairy Farm at Whittingham to learn about the dairy farming process. After lunch, the students went to Thomas’ Butchers to hear about how meat is prepared for sale. The children greatly enjoyed the day and came back excited with their new knowledge.

Kinder would like to thank Mr and Mrs McNamara, Thomas Tender Meats and Mr and Mrs Algie for an exciting excursion to their farms.

Mrs Scoles, Mrs Launders and Miss Moon
Kindergarten

PSSA Trials

A big congratulations to the following student who have represented the school in the Zone Trials.

Cricket
Ethan Van, Jack

Soccer
Sophie, Angus, Harry, Ethan, Brock, Aaron and Callan

Tennis
Ethan, Sophie, Amy

AFL
Miller, Seth, Nathan

AFL Trials

Nathan, Seth and Miller went to Maitland Park to compete against 80 boys and girls from Year 4 to 6. The boys had a great day representing Singleton Public School, showing their awesome skills. Competition for a place on the team was tough, and unfortunately the boys were not chosen - but there is always next year!

Year 4 Sydney Excursion

Our school is currently organising the Year 4 Sydney excursion. The dates for this will be Monday, 24 – Wednesday, 26 August, 2015. Year 4 will plan to visit the Sydney Opera House, the Botanical Gardens, Darling Harbour, Taronga Zoo, Sydney Aquarium and the Australian Museum.

Easter Hat Parade

Let’s get creative as the Easter Bunny is hopping into town for the Singleton Public School Easter Hat parade. Students are encouraged to make or buy their Easter Hats/Bonnets at home and bring them to school on Thursday, 2 April. The parade will start at 10:30am. Parents, grandparents and other family members are most welcome to come and watch your child march under the COLA. The Support Unit will start the march first, followed by Kindergarten through to Year 6. Best dressed certificates will be handed out by our mystery judge. After the parade, families are welcomed to stay and join your child for lunch.

Elaine Bunnemeyer
Organiser

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:-

- “Wearing the Correct School Uniform with Pride”
P&C Working Bee

Congratulations to Sophie who raised $1,300 for Breakfast Club and Alethea Rasmussen who raised $600 for the P&C by braving the dunk tank at the Drayton South Community BBQ on Saturday. There was also a donation of $250 to Singleton Public School. Thank you to Anglo American for those donations.

On Sunday we had a great turn out of school volunteers to our first P&C Working Bee for 2015. Thank you to the following people who gave up their day to help out our school, Mr and Mrs Russell, Mrs Bailey, Mrs Cox, Miss Edgar, James and Susan Henderson, Mrs Connie Hermon, Natalie, Greg and Louis Moore, Alethea and James Rasmussen, Robyn Skinner, Graeme and Sandy Tickell, Donna Croft and Darren Waters, Ms Judy Sattler, Mrs Elizabeth Clayworth, and Mrs Ann McSweeney. I think that is the list but please accept my apologies if I have forgotten you. Thanks for your hard work, as well as the use of your tools and equipment, trailers and tip vouchers! Thanks to Mr and Mrs Russell for organising the BBQ lunch and drinks. Thanks also to Louis and Cassandra Wilson of Trunks Meats for supplying the meat for the BBQ.

We had a fun day and walked away with a great sense of achievement after removing most of the Plumbago hedge, doing lots of weeding, installing chicken proof fencing, and cleaning up the bush tucker garden, amongst other jobs.

I am pleased to say that Graeme and Sandy Tickell have a accepted a nomination for P&C Magazine Co-Ordinator. We now have only one vacancy on the executive and that is the second Vice President. The key function of this role is to chair meetings if the president can't attend a meeting. If you are interested in this role please contact me.

Thank you to the volunteers who have recently joined the canteen roster. Please remember that any help in the canteen is welcome even if you can only help for an hour or two in the morning, or a day here and there. Thank you to those volunteers who regularly pop in to the canteen of a morning to see if Nicole Gray needs help. Please contact Nicole if you can volunteer in the canteen.

Please save the date for the P&C's Family Outdoor Movie Night at our school on Friday 8 May. We are planning this as a social night for our school community. We are working hard to keep the cost to families down, so if you know a business who would like to advertise on the big screen on the night please call Robyn Skinner on 0447 392 504.

Our next P&C meeting will be on 1 April at 7pm in the library. All parents and carers are welcome to attend and participate in the P&C meetings. Please come along to find out more about our wonderful school and how we can all help to make our children's education even better. Ideas on how we can make further improvements to our school are always most welcome.

James Skinner
Singleton Public School P&C President

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The School App - additional features

The school is now able to add website links and sometimes small notices to the messages sent in the App. To access the extra feature, you will need to go into the App when you receive a message and press on the messages Tab. If the message has a blue box on the left or either a globe or a document in it, there is an attachment to the message. Simply push on the message to open the link. The link could be to the school's website in the Permission Notes tab or a little notice about an event. Please note: if the message has an extra feature attached, there will be an asterix (*) at the end of the message. (as per the image at right)
ANZAC Day School Assembly 12pm Friday, 24 March

To help commemorate the 100 year celebrations, we are inviting any of our school families and relatives who have served for our country and who would like to join us on stage for our special ANZAC service this year.

Please inform the office of your names by email (singleton-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) or phone 65 71 2250. There will be a morning tea provided after the assembly for our ANZAC families.

Further information will be sent closer to the day.

Out of Uniform!

Thursday 2/4/15
(Last day of School for Term 1)

Wear the colour blue for a gold coin donation in support of Asthma Research!

SAVE THE DATE!
Friday Night May 8th 2015

Family Outdoor Movie Night at Singleton Public School

Sausage Sizzle & Candy Bar
Details to come

Seeking volunteers to help on the night.
Do you have a local business and would like to advertise on the big screen? We are seeking sponsorship from the school community.

Please contact Robyn Skinner (P&C member) on 0447 392 504 if you would like to sponsor and/or volunteer.

Sponsored By:

Presented by the Singleton Public School P&C
**EASTER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

**9AM—12 NOON**

**TUES 7TH APRIL**
**THURS 9TH APRIL**
**TUES 14TH APRIL**
**THURS 16TH APRIL**

**HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

**AGES 5 AND UP**
**ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME**

**WE CAN SUPPLY CLUBS IF NEEDED!**

$15 Per child per day

Or

$50 per child for all 4 days**

** discount applies if booked and paid in full by Tues 7th April**

Children need to bring:
Closed in Shoes, Hat, Drink bottle and food

**BOOK YOUR SPOT TODAY!!!**

**CONTACT US AT THE PRO SHOP ON 65724875**

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**FAMILY FUN AT THE HUNTER WETLANDS CENTRE**

**Easter School Holidays 2015**

**Easter Fun Day**

Saturday 4th April - 9.30am - 1.00pm

Join the Easter Bany for:

- Wetlands Adventures
- Craft & Face Painting
- Fun Games
- Reptile Encounter
- BBQ

$5 Adults, $2 children under 12 (under 3 free)

**School Holiday Activities**

There’s lots to do, so come along and join in the fun

- Dinghying
- Canoeing
- Bike Riding
- Playground
- Walking Trails
- Become a Wetlands Explorer (go in the draw for a weekly prize pack)
- Bring a picnic or eat at Spoonbill Cafe

Wetlands will be closed on Good Friday, Easter Sunday & Easter Monday

Book in for these activities on Wednesday 15th April

**Bush Skills Adventure 8 to 12 yrs ($20 per child)**

Have fun making a bush survival shelter, a bush damper & learn about useful bush skills too!

**Wriggly Wetlanders 5 to 8 yrs ($20 per child)**

Explore the wetlands, get creative and crafty with our fun wetland activities.

**Bookings Essential - 4951 6466**

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**SPECIAL EVENT**

**Fundraiser Movie Event - 2nd April**

Get your friends together and join us at Glendale Events Cinema for the premier of

**The Spongebob Movie**

**Sponge Out of Water 3D.**

All tickets $12. Entertainment from 5.30pm. Movie starts at 6.30pm.

**Hunter Wetlands Centre**

1. Wetlands Ave, Shortland NSW 2307
Ph: 4951 6466 Email: hwc2@wetlands.org.au
Open: 9am to 4.30pm - 7 days

Spoonbill Cafe open 9am to 3pm - 7 days
## Congratulations to our assembly award winners for Term 1 Week 8 2015

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Class Work by JW

The cow said... "Moo."

The goose said... "Honk."

The chicken said... "Cluck."

The lady beetle said... Not a word."