“Everything was awesome” on Friday night for our first Movie Night at Singleton Public School. Parents, friends, grandparents and students snuggled in for a wonderful occasion. A massive thank you to the P&C organisers of the event. A lot of time went into the organisation of the event with finding sponsors, ticket sales, setting up, lighting, ABC Jumping Castles and food. A huge thank you to all of our sponsors including Glencore for their generous donation.

This week is NAPLAN week and the staff at the school would like to wish all students in Year 3 and 5 all the best for their assessments. Remember, that these tests do not assess everything that makes each individual student at Singleton Public School exceptional or unique. Our school knows that each student has their own strengths – whether it be singing or dancing, general knowledge of the world, learning another language or instrument, helping out a new student on their first day, playing as a team on the sporting field, acting on the stage in our pantomime or simply speaking to a group of students in class. All we ask is you do your very best as we know what you are already capable of. Good luck.

Our Year 6 students are having a wow of a time in Canberra. Although all reports say it is extremely chilly in the Nation’s Capital. We are looking forward to all of the stories on their return on Friday.

Just a reminder to parents that it is important for your child’s structure, routine and learning that all students arrive to school before the 9.10am bell and are picked up after the 3.10pm bell. If for any reason, you need to pick your child up early, please notify your class teacher prior to the pickups. This will allow the teacher to organise any notes or homework to be distributed prior to your child leaving. Parents/carers also need to sign children in or out at the school office.

Jonathan Russell
Relieving Principal

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**Calendar of Events**

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**This week’s assembly will be hosted by 2B at the starting time of 12.45pm.**

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**Nut Allergies**

A reminder that there are children in our school who have life threatening allergies to nuts. This includes all nut products including peanut butter and Nutella. Even a trace of peanut butter on another child’s breath or coming in touch with some residual peanut butter from eating lunch can be fatal for children who are anaphylactic. Please support these children by not sending your child to school with any nut products.
PSSA Netball Knockout
Singleton Public School opens girls team played Singleton Heights PS last Tuesday, 5 May. The girls played extremely well and showed great sportsmanship but unfortunately the Singleton Heights team proved to be the better team on the day.

Brian Kirkland Cup
Last Tuesday two Singleton Public School teams played in the annual Brian Kirkland Cup here in Singleton. The opens team were playing their first games together and showed terrific sportsmanship and enthusiasm. The improvement in their skills over the day was amazing. The players decided that Harry Moore was the player of the day and Troy Emery most improved. Everyone played well and tried their hardest! We look forward to playing in the Knights Knockout next week. Thanks to our coaches Dylan, Daven and Cody for their dedication to our players. Also a big thanks to Mrs Sheedy for washing our new jumpers, which looked terrific!

We also entered our Under Tens team who were coached by Mr Brett Ward. This team played hard and were narrowly beaten. Well done boys! Thank you to Mr Ward and the other parents who helped out on the day. Also thanks to Singleton Greyhounds for the loan of their jerseys.

I was impressed with and proud of all of our students on the day. They were cooperative, respectful and represented our school admirably. Well done everyone!

Cathy Black, Rugby League Co-ordinator

Thank You
Thanks to Andrew Levick and the wonderful staff at Singleton Taxis who went above and beyond their usual duties during our adverse weather conditions in Week 1. Their care for students in our Support Unit was exceptional and greatly appreciated by both staff and families.

Canberra Excursion - Year 6
The bus from the Year 6 Canberra Excursion will return to Singleton Public School, Elizabeth Street entrance at approximately 5:00 pm on Friday, 15 May.

The school will be sending updates on the School App with the bus location and estimated time of arrival periodically on Friday afternoon.

In the meantime, here is a sneak peak of the fun Year 6 have been having in our nation’s capital.

Dogs on School Grounds
As per Section 14 of the Companion Animals Act (1998), dogs are prohibited on school grounds except where the principal gives permission. Where permission has been obtained, the dogs must be kept on a leash at all times.

Money Found
There has been a large amount of money found in the playground recently and handed into the office. If you have lost money, please contact the school with the amount lost and the day and location that it went missing.

K-2 The Very Cranky Bear Performance
On Tuesday, 8 September “The Very Cranky Bear” will be performed at the Civic Theatre in Newcastle. Miss Moon has organised for some tickets and buses to take interested students to the performance. A permission note will be sent out in the next few weeks for all K-2 students. Tickets will be sold on “first in, best dressed” basis.
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**Uniform Shop Roster - Week 5, Term 2 2015**

Mon 18/5/15 (8.30 - 9.30 am)  Tammie Cox, 1 more helper please
Fri 22/5/15 (8.30 - 9.30 am)  Renee MacDonald, Rebecca Hobbs

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

**Canteen Roster - Week 5, Term 2 2015**

Mon 18/5/15  Penny Clancy, Lyndal Barry
Tues 19/5/15  Nadia Brown, 1 more helper please
Wed 20/5/15  Pam Dicks, 1 more helper please
Thurs 21/5/15  Deb Boston, Kirsten Roxburgh
Fri 22/5/15  Natalie Moore, Sarah Land, 1 more helper please

Please advise Nicole Gray if you have any changes to your rostered day.

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**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:-

“Using respectful language at all times”

**Information from the DEC**

Is your child making friends at school?


**Mastering spelling**

Are you checking your child’s weekly spelling homework? Try talking to your child about how you spell, and what you do when you don’t know how to spell a word. Here’s some advice about how to help your child master spelling.


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**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.

Student’s Name: …………………………………………………………………………..    Class: ……………………….

What are you paying for? …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..Date ……………

Credit Card Type (please tick one)    □  VISA    □  Mastercard

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Cardholder Name (as shown on card) Please print in capitals
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Signature of Cardholder ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….. Contact Number: …………………………….
**Parking on School Grounds**

Parents and carers are reminded that driving in or parking on school grounds is not permitted unless prior permission has been obtained. This includes the car park area adjacent the Support Unit to drop students off for school. This can cause considerable problems as this area is designated for taxi transport of students in the Support Unit. Please do not use this entrance as a walking thoroughfare, it is for vehicles only.

**Enrichment Class Year 7 2016 at Singleton High School**

Last week all Year 6 students received a nomination form for Singleton High School, enrichment class for 2016. Candidates are required to complete the nomination form by Wednesday, 13 May with payment of $20.00 for the placement test and return to Singleton High School’s front office. The placement test will be held on Wednesday, 3 June at the Singleton Youth Centre.

**Life Education Van Visit**

The ‘Healthy Harold’ Life Education Van will be at Singleton Public School from Friday, 29 May to Tuesday, 9 June 2015. All classes will visit the van in separate sessions over this period. Each grade follows a different program so it is important for children to participate each year. The programs address many of the components and objectives within the NSW PD/Health/PE curriculum. A brief outline of the program contents is:

- **Early Stage 1 - Kindergarten - “Harold’s Surprise”**
- **Stage 1 - Year 1 – “Harold’s Mystery Tour”**
- **Stage 1 - Year 2 – “Harold’s Heroes”**
- **Stage 2 - Year 3 – “Harold’s Diary”**
- **Stage 2 – Year 4 – “Mind Your Medicine”**
- **Stage 3 - Year 5 – “On the Case”**
- **Stage 3 - Year 6 – “Think Twice”**

The cost is $10.00 per child. Permission notes have been sent home. Notes and money must be paid to the class teacher no later than **12.30 pm on Monday, 25 May**. This enables the office staff to compile reports of payment for the class teachers. Please contact the Kerrie Burns in the school office if you are in need of financial assistance – all enquiries are strictly confidential. The Hunter Life Van is covered by Supercover, so if you have paid Supercover there is no need to pay for this event.

**HAROLD PRODUCTS** - A separate form is attached to the permission note with a list of the items that children can purchase directly from the van. The money for these purchases must be put in an envelope with their name, class and what they want to purchase and **sent in on their allocated day**. Any separate tax deductible donations, as per the form, (not including the $10.00 per child entry) is to be by cheque made out to Life Education NSW and attached to that particular return slip. We will forward it on to Life Education and they will forward you a receipt.

The session times are:-

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**Garden Club**

On Friday before and after assembly, Garden Club will be selling Lemon, Lime, Spinach and Kale.

**Kindergarten Enrolments 2016 Open**

Is it becoming time for your child to commence their school education? The school is now able to register names of all siblings and family members for Kindergarten 2016. If you would like to start your child at school next year, please do not hesitate to contact the school office to record your interest.

Full details of information evenings, transition days and enrolment forms will be sent out in Term 3 to all names on the school’s register.
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Apple for the Teacher
New FM is running a competition for the most popular teacher in the Valley.
Miss Moon has been nominated to go in the draw to win an iPAD for all of the students in her class and an Apple MacBook.
Please go onto New FM’s website and vote Singleton Public School - Fiona Moon.

Wanted - Cans!

Please save your cans and leave them in bags at the Garden Club gates.
All money raised pays for environmental education in our school.

P&C Uniform Price Change
There has been an price increase for boys long pants. They are now $30 each.

Singleton Public School App
Our school smartphone mobile app is available on both the Apple and Android networks for you to download and start using. These instructions will help you:-

How to Install Our School App

On Apple
- On your iPhone open the app store
- Search for our school name
- Press Install
- Enter your iTunes password
It will commence downloading immediately

Android/Google Play
- On your SmartPhone open the Android/Google Play market
- Search for our school name
- Press install
  Your app will start installing instantly

To Open Our School App
Look for our schools app icon on your phone screen, press the icon once, It will open automatically. When prompted select OK to use your current location and OK to send you Push Notifications (this will make sure the google maps and pop-up alerts work for you). Read the information on the screen, and swipe to the left and push on Get Started. You will now be able to select the icons at the bottom of screen to view the School Calendar, Newsletter, Messages and other features.

Upcoming Dates to Remember
- Years K-6 Hunter Life Van - Various sessions from 29, May – 5, June 2015 (covered by Supercover).
- Year 3 - Active Education/Outdoor Experience overnight camp, Monday, 10 August to Tuesday, 11 August 2016.
- Year 4 - Sydney Excursion, Monday, 24 August to Wednesday, 26 August 2015.
- Year 5 - Great Aussie Bush Camp, Tuesday, 17 November to Friday, 20 November 2015.
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Excursion to see Matilda The Musical
2015!

The magnificent musical, Matilda, will be showing in Sydney at the Lyric Theatre from August 2015. Singleton Public School has arranged an excursion for the children in Years 3 - 6. The date of the performance we will be attending is Wednesday 25th November at 1pm. We will leave school at approximately 8:00am, eat lunch at Darling Harbour and then attend the matinee performance at 1pm. The bus will return to Singleton at approximately 5:30pm/6:00pm. The cost of the excursion will be $90 and includes the ticket and bus fare.

The children will be accompanied by teachers. Should there be a short fall in the number of students that would like to go, we will offer the tickets to the families of the children attending.

Tickets will be issued on a strict first come, first served basis and will be on sale from the Parangah verandah from 8:30am on Tuesday 26th May.

Any musical is always a magical experience however Matilda is exceptional, a real must see for any child!

Di Merrick
(Organising teacher)

Singleton Public School
Staff Profile

The school will be introducing one staff member each week so that parents and carers can get to know our dedicated staff. This week we are introducing:-

Name: Di Merrick
Role: Assistant Principal
Class: Team 6
How long have you been teaching at SPS?: 10 years
Favourite Colour: Turquoise
Favourite Sports Team: Singleton Bulls
Favourite Movie: Dirty Dancing
Favourite Dessert: Chocolate and Barnoffee Pie
Favourite Song/Band: Jazz Music
Favourite Subject: Drama
Favourite Book: Harry Potter
Do you have any pets, and what are they?: Spoodle named “Mollie-Anna”
Hobbies: Going to the theatre and clothes shopping
What do you love about working at SPS?
All the happy, smiling faces of super gorgeous children

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P&C Movie Night

A big thank you to all the families who came to the P&C's Family Outdoor Movie Night. Over 70 families attended the night! Everyone was well behaved and the night went very smoothly. The big turnout made the huge effort all worthwhile. It just goes to show what a wonderful school community we have. We hope you enjoyed the night. Thank you for pre-purchasing tickets for the movie night as requested, because this allowed us to manage the catering and control who came through the gates.

I would like to thank the day-time P&C committee, and all the volunteers and teachers who helped on the night as well as our sponsors. In particular we are grateful to Glencore's Ravensworth Open Cut for their generous sponsorship.

If you would like to see more events such as this or if you have any other ideas to get the school community together and involved in our school, please let the P&C know.

The P&C took the opportunity with the pre-movie advertising to celebrate and promote the fantastic volunteer work that parents do at our school. Being involved in the P&C is a great way to make a difference to the school. We have both day time and night time meetings to make it easier to get involved and share your ideas. We welcome you to come along to the next day time meeting at 1.30pm on Friday, 22 May in the Connected Classroom or the next general meeting on Wednesday, 3 June at 7.00 pm in the library. If you can't get to a meeting, contact one of your P&C members and talk to them about any ideas you have or how you can get involved. The amazing thing about the movie night is that it started out as "an idea" at a day-time P&C meeting in late February. By working together with our combined ideas and community contacts, look what we achieved in such a short time!

James Skinner
P&C President
Sensory Movie Day – Reading Cinema Maitland

Sensory Movie Day is an inclusive event for families with special needs, Lighting is on Dim, Sound lowered, children free to move around without judgement.

Fire exit doors are monitored by Volunteers. Siblings and extended family welcome.

"Tinkerbell & the Legend of the Neverbeast" Reading Cinema Maitland
11am Sunday 24th May 2015
Tickets cost $8 each

Children 2 years and under are free
Companion I.D. cards accepted
Tickets can be purchased on the day.
## Congratulations to our assembly award winners for Term 2 Week 3 2015

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Class Work by 6D

6D is looking forward to Canberra this week and have been sketching what they may see!

Created by Erin

Created by Amy

Created by Georgia

Created by Jamie

Created by Jules

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