What a fabulous day was had by all at the Pirate Day on Friday, 12 June. Our students and teachers looked extremely scary with their large boots and swords. Congratulations to the Student Council for organising the event with all proceeds going to Kids Cancer Project in finding a cure for brain cancer. The school raised well over $500. Great effort Singleton Public School!

Our school will be well represented at the Science Day held at Muswellbrook tomorrow. This is a wonderful event where students will be challenged in experiments and discoveries. Our students will be teamed in groups of four and five. A huge thank you to Mrs Grainger for organising our students for the day and also to Coal & Allied for hosting the day.

We welcome two practicum students from the University of Newcastle to our school. Mr Wild and Mr Walsh are with us until the end of the term. Mr Wild will be learning all he can in Mrs Black’s class 2B and teaching our students some engaging lessons. Mr Walsh is based in KL and will be also learning some valuable teaching skills from Mrs Launders. They have already made a great impact to our school with some fresh ideas.

This week we have the pleasure of seven work experience students from Singleton High School working in a number of classes. We hope you enjoy your experience and hope to choose teaching as a profession as we all believe here it is an extremely rewarding occupation.

Over the past few weeks we have had several new enrolments enter our school. We welcome – Loyd, Jaydn, Tyleigh, Connor, Grant, Janae, Jesse, Seth and Sienna, I’m sure you will have a wonderful experience and make many new friends here at Singleton Public School.

Jonathan Russell
Relieving Principal

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**Calendar of Events**

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There is no assembly this week due the Athletics Carnival.
Cricket

Last Thursday the girls cricket team travelled to Scone to compete against Scone Public School. The girls played well as a team displaying great sportsmanship and support for each other. Our girls opened and scored 96 runs. We won with Scone all out for 70. Jules shone in both the batting and bowling scoring the most runs and getting 5/16 when bowling. Big thanks to all the parents who helped out on the day. Especially Lyndal Barry for scoring and Chris Taylor for helping umpire. Everyone enjoyed the day.

Pirate Day

Arrrrrr me maties!! On Friday, 12 June, Singleton Public school held our Term 2 fundraiser for “The Kids Cancer Project”. The Student Council would like to congratulate all our students and staff for their fantastic participation and for raising over $500! Thank you!

Student Council

Uniform Shop

Singleton Public School P&C Association would like to make everyone aware that we are currently experiencing quality issues with our new polo shirts sold at the Uniform Shop. In some instances, when washed the first time, the blue colour in the polo shirts is running or bleeding into the white. Singleton Public School P&C Association would like to offer the following advice for newly purchased polo shirts:

1. When first washing a newly purchased polo shirt from the Uniform Shop, please wash it separately to your other washing, following the instructions on the care label, to avoid damage to your other washing.

2. If the colour in the newly purchased polo shirt does run, please return it with the receipt issued when you purchased the polo shirt as soon as possible to the Uniform Shop for an exchange. The uniform shop is open on a Monday and a Friday from 8.30am – 9.30am.

We apologise for any inconvenience this issue may cause. We are working with the polo shirt supplier to have this issue rectified as a matter of extreme urgency.

Thank you again for your understanding.

Singleton Public School P&C Association

1H’s New Technology

1H now have the use of a wonderful new CommBox to replace the SmartBoard that was in the classroom. Thanks to the combined funding from the P&C and the school, the students now have access to this fabulous resource!
Uniform Shop Roster - Week 10, Term 2 2015
Mon 22/6/15 (8.30 - 9.30 am) 2 helpers required
Fri 26/6/15 (8.30 - 9.30 am) Mandy Ward, Janet Wilkie

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

Canteen Roster - Week 10, Term 2 2015
Mon 22/6/15 Judy Felton, 1 more helper please
Tues 23/6/15 Aimee Cole, Rebecca Hobbs
Wed 24/6/15 Liz Tudor, Peggy-Anne Towns
Thurs 25/6/15 Mary Franks, 1 more helper please
Fri 26/6/15 Paula Stokes, Kim Carter, Mandy Ward

Please advise Nicole Gray 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 – 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:-

“Independent problem solving”

Information from the DEC
Keep brains ticking over these holidays
If your child is working on a personal project or a school assignment these school holidays (or you want to make use of the break for a little revision), don’t forget www.SchoolAtoZ.com.au has lots of information and fact sheets to help with homework.

For students polishing their spelling skills, the free Spelling Bee mobile app also allows them to record a list of their own words and then test themselves. You might even want to challenge them with a list you create. Here’s where you’ll find the free app to download: http://bit.ly/Q9ez0G

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

Credit Card Type (please tick one) □ VISA □ Mastercard Amount paying $…………………………

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Athletics Carnival Lunch Orders

Please remember that all lunch orders for Friday’s Athletics carnival should have been at the canteen today. They needed to be written on a lunch bag with the student’s name and age. If you have forgotten please drop at the canteen first thing tomorrow morning.

Please note the canteen will still be operating at school for students in Kinder and Year 1.

P&C Report

The P&C have had a very successful year so far, and it is very rewarding to be a part of. The Secretary position on the P&C Executive Committee has now become vacant and we are seeking a new secretary. The secretary’s role is to minute meetings, manage correspondence in and out, and generally keep the school community informed about relevant P&C information. The executive are committed to providing good support to the incoming secretary – you won’t be thrown in at the deep end! There are plenty of other opportunities to get involved in the P&C and share your ideas. The school fete on Friday, 4 September is a highlight of the school year and is our major fundraiser. Our next fete planning meeting will be held on Friday, 17 July at 2pm in the library then moving to the Support Unit at 2.30pm. Our next P&C general meeting is Wednesday, 15 July at 7pm in the library. Hope to see you there!

Thanks
James Skinner – President, Singleton Public School P&C Association

Science Day

The Upper Hunter Science Challenge Day will be held tomorrow Thursday, 18 June at the Muswellbrook Indoor Sports Centre. It will be run by staff from the University of Newcastle and feature a day of friendly competition to complete scientific based experiments against a number of other Upper Hunter Valley schools.

Thirty-two students in Years 5 and 6 were selected to represent our school at this event. Mrs Grainger and Mrs Moore will be accompanying the students on this excursion. Children will need to wear full school uniform and bring morning tea and drinks. A free sausage sizzle will be in operation for lunch provided by the Rotary Club of Muswellbrook. Please provide an appropriate lunch if your child does not wish to join in the sausage sizzle.

Thanks to the support of Coal & Allied there are no costs associated with this activity.

The bus will depart the Elizabeth Street gates, Singleton Public School at 8.30am. The anticipated return is 3.10pm.

Very Cranky Bear

I am pleased to announce that Singleton Public School will be running a K-2 only excursion to the Civic Theatre in Newcastle on Tuesday, 8 September to watch a performance of ‘The Very Cranky Bear.” The performance starts at 10am.

There will be at least 5 teachers attending the excursion who will be responsible for the group of children. The tickets for the children will be allocated on a ‘first in, best dressed’ basis. The children will need to return the permission note and the full payment as soon as possible to ensure a place on the excursion. Please place money in an envelope and hand to the class teachers. It will then be sent to the office in our black bags. No money will be accepted at the front office.

Please consider the approximate 1 ½ hr travel time both ways and the need for children to sit quietly during the hour long performance. There is no interval and no opportunity to leave the performance once it has started.

The excursion will be leaving school at 8.00am and travelling on two separate buses. We will head straight to the Civic Theatre. The matinee performance begins at 10.00am. Then we will have lunch at the park near Nobby’s Beach before returning in time for buses back at school.

Children will need to wear full school uniform and hat. They need morning tea, lunch and at least 2 drinks. Please no lollies or soft drinks on this excursion.

Permission notes have been sent home.
Fiona Moon (Organising teacher)

Upcoming Dates to Remember

- Year 3 - Active Education/Outdoor Experience overnight camp, Monday, 10 August to Tuesday, 11 August 2015
- 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
**Aussie Bush**

The major excursion for Year 5 is to "The Great Aussie Bush Camp" at Tea Gardens for 4 days from Tuesday, 17 November to Friday, 20 November, 2015 (Week 7 Term 4).

The aim of this excursion is to provide a successful and rewarding camping experience in a bush setting. We also hope to encourage independence and mutual co-operation. The camping activities are led and conducted by qualified instructors.

The cost of the excursion is $315 for children and $340 for accompanying parents. This includes bus fare, accommodation and all meals.

A $50 deposit must be paid to the school office by Friday, 26 June for all students.

If no deposit is paid by the due date it will be assumed that your child will not be attending.

Balance of all money must be paid by Friday, 30 October 2015 for students and parents.

You can start paying by instalments now.

Refunds will only be given in extenuating circumstances.

We have a limited number of places available for parents who are interested in accompanying us. If you are interested, please fill in and return the slip by Friday, 26 June. This will allow time for the school to perform a ballot and advise the parents selected.

Attendance on excursions will be based on students’ demonstrated willingness to follow school rules and compliance with the school’s Welfare and Discipline Policies.

**Athletics Carnival**

Our annual Athletics Carnival is this Friday, 19 June at Alroy Oval. Both track and field events will take place on the day. Students need to assemble under the COLA at 9.00am with their class teacher (students on late arriving buses will join their classes on arrival). Students will leave school at 9.10am, ready to start at 9.40am sharp. This Athletics Carnival is for all children in Years 2-6.

All children will travel to and from Alroy Oval by bus. **All children must come to school, have their name marked off the roll and then travel on the bus to Alroy Oval at the allotted time.**

As this carnival is for children in Years 2 to 6, all K-1 children will stay at school and have normal classes. All Year 2 to 6 teachers will be supervising at the carnival.

**Kindergarten Enrolments 2016 Open**

Is it coming 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 at the end of Term 2 to all names on the school’s register.

**Computers with KM**

KM were using the computer lab in the middle session of learning time, on Tuesday, 2 June. Their display of laughter and smiles showed they were all having a great time, and a big thank you to Mrs Langham who volunteers her time each week.
Make A Movie
weekend workshop
29-30 August 2015

Brainstorm, write, plan and shoot a short film on an everyday device (Ipad, tablet). Along the way, learn all about cameras, light, story-telling, performance, storyboards, composition, and working as a team.

This workshop is aimed at youth, aged 12 plus. You need to bring: enthusiasm, bright ideas, a water bottle and your own device/charger. (full equipment list is provided in the registration pack). You will take away: new skills and an understanding of how to create & produce short films. It all culminates in a red-carpet screening of the films in October!

Location: Jenys Plane Public School & surrounds – chosen for great visual and story possibilities. There will be a bus to & from Singleton Youth Venue.

Times: 9.30am-4.30pm, Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 August.

Cost: A small donation will be appreciated.

Get an Information & registration pack: Contact Sam or 6571 4497 or shiggins@singleton.nsw.gov.au. Brought to you by Singleton Youth Venue and the Country Arts Support Program.

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Bulga Milbrodale Progress Association
Invites you to The Bulga Beats Festival
Saturday 20th June 2015

From 10am to 8pm

Our festival includes
Music from great bands
Market and Food stalls of all kinds
Cars, Bikes & Machinery Show
Activities in Kids Corner
Art & Crafts on sale in the Bulga Hall
Refreshments & home-made cakes in the Bulga Hall

Entry to the festival is a gold coin donation and camping is permitted at the Recreation Ground Friday & Saturday nights free of charge

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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: Cheryl Alaban
Class: 3A
How long have you been teaching at SPS?: 3 years
Favourite Colour: Red
Favourite Sports Team: Australian Lawn Bowls team
Favourite Movie: Out of Africa
Favourite Dessert: Gelato
Favourite Song/Band: Bohemian Rhapsody
Favourite Subject: CAPA
Do you have any pets, and what are they?:
Two dogs, Dexter is a basset hound and Gilbert is a grand basset griffon vendeen
Hobbies:
Reading, gardening and movies
What do you love about working at SPS?
The amazing children and their love of learning.
Road Closure
Singleton Public School have been advised that Hunter Street will be closed off at the corner of Hunter and John Streets starting from Thursday, 18 June and will remain in place until 31 July, 2015. This closure is to enable the final section of the Singleton Town Centre Revitalisation to be completed.

An indicative plan of the closure can be seen below.
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Give your child every chance to succeed!
Congratulations to our assembly award winners for Term 2, Week 8 2015

**CLASS AWARD RECIPIENTS K - 6**

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**The First Fleet**

**London 1787**

There was not much food on board. People were afraid to eat and most got sick, but in the end they were enough for 400 at the voyage and got into Botany Bay. They people got sick in the cold, wet weather.

**May 13, 1787**

Captain Arthur Phillip left Port Jackson.

**The first step was a long way**

Captain Phillip was worried because he is not capable of navigation and a good leader. So, inside the ship, he gave orders to his crew. He told them to get ready. He gave commands to everyone on board and everyone followed his orders. Everything was organized and everyone worked together.

**The first trip went very well**

The crew managed to sail safely and smoothly to Botany Bay. They were excited to see the land and the new environment. They were happy to be on the first voyage and everyone was proud of their work.

**In the end, the trip was successful**

The crew managed to sail safely and smoothly to Botany Bay. They were excited to see the land and the new environment. They were happy to be on the first voyage and everyone was proud of their work.

Created by Ella

Created by Portia

Created by Nathan