



Singleton Heights Public School

Newsletter

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School Calendar

Week
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Date	Events
23/9	PSSA Girls Cricket vs Bolwarra
23/9	Drawing us together award ceremony
24/9	Little Joeys
24/9	Children's University Gown Try on 11.30am
25/9	PBL Rewards Day
25/9	Last day of Term 3
25/9	Playgroup

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12/10	Staff Development Day
13/10	Students return for Term 4
13/10	Stewart House 13/10 – 23/10
15/10	Little Joeys
16/10	Playgroup

IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP :

21/10 - KAOS at Singleton High School
3/11 - Children's University Graduation
20/11 - P&C Splash & Dash Colour Run
1/12 - High School Transition
2/12 - Creative Arts Showcase
9/12 - Presentation Day
10/12 - Year 6 Farewell
14/12 - Carols on the Green
15/12 - Party Day & Year 6 Surf Day
17/12 - Last Day of Term

Important Reminders

- No teacher supervision before 8:40am so please don't send children too early.

Principal's Report

Public Speaking

I would like to congratulate our school representatives in the Zone Public Speaking that took place across a couple of venues last week.

Early Stage 1 (Kindergarten) – Sadie E and Elijah M. Sadie was announced as the Zone Winner of the Public Speaking for Early Stage One. A big congratulations to her on this success. Sadie will proceed to the next level of competition in the near future.

Stage 1 (Year 1 and 2)– Victoria M and Elkie B

Stage 2 (Year 3 and 4)– Emily T and Michelle (Tuesday 8th Sept)

Stage 3 - (Year 5 and 6)– Bohdi A and George L



Netball

Well done to all the students in the four teams that participated in the St Cath's Netball Gala Day last Wednesday.

Junior 1 - 2nd in their pool, 3rd overall

Junior 2 - 3rd in their pool, 6th overall

Senior 1 - 2nd in their pool, 3rd overall

Senior 2 - 4th in their pool, 8th overall

All students represented our school respectfully and showed responsibility and excellence in all areas. Congratulations to all teams for showing great sportsmanship and trying your best. We are very proud of you all!

Band Visit to Pre-School

Next week, students who began learning their instrument this year will be walking to the preschool to entertain the children there with some nursery rhymes. Violins: Mary Had a Little lamb, Twinkle Little Star New Player ensemble: Hot Cross Buns, Old Macdonald, Baa Baa Black Sheep, This Old Man. Please bring your instrument, your music and a water bottle.

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Pizza Lunch

I was very pleased to host 30+ students in the hall on Wednesday, for the Mari Badge Pizza Lunch for this term. We enjoyed Pizza, Garlic Bread and a small dose of soft drink, to thank the students for their efforts in achieving this milestone.



Levi S in Year 3, was the lucky winner of the Principal for Day draw and will be shadowing me for the day early next term!

PSSA Cricket

Our Girls' PSSA Cricket team will be playing in the PSSA knockout next Wednesday, against Bolwarra PS. We wish them all the best.

Cricket trials for boys and girls to be selected in the Upper Hunter Zone squad, will be held on Friday, 30th October at Rose Point Park. Notes will go out to interested students before the end of term.

P&C Meeting

Thank you to the P&C committee, who held a very productive meeting on Tuesday evening, in preparation for fundraising events next term, as well as presenting ideas for grant submissions to update and resource our school with new and exciting things!



One of the grants that the P&C were successful in receiving, a Glencore Grant, will allow for the upgrade of our library furniture. We are hoping to have the furniture in by early next term and have a 'grand opening' to thank the P&C for the effort in getting this grant.

PBL Rewards Day



We will be celebrating positive behaviour on Friday, 25th September with a rotation of fun activities in each stage, during the middle session of the day. Our PBL Bingo game will be played with each class during the last session of the day.

Little Joeys

Thank you to the parents and students who are happily and successfully engaging with our Little Joeys program over the last three weeks.

The Little Joeys program is a 10-week transition for children starting Kindergarten in 2027. It will continue to run on Thursdays, (the next session will be 24th September) until Week 5 Term 4, 12th November. Please contact the school to receive information about the Little Joeys program.

In New South Wales, children can start Kindergarten at the beginning of the school year if they turn 5 on or before 31 July of that year. By law, children must be enrolled in school by their 6th birthday. To enrol your child online, please follow this link to our school website home page Singleton Heights Public School and click on the Enrol Now button. It is as simple as that. Alternatively, approach the office staff for support in getting your child enrolled.

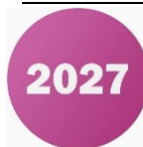


Assemblies

The next Infant's Assembly will be held on Thursday, 22nd October, from 2:30pm in the school hall.

Our next Primary Assembly will be held on Thursday, 5th November, from 2:30pm in the school hall.

2027 Classes



The school is starting to plan and prepare for 2027 classes and as you would understand, this can be a very complex and time-consuming process. If you have any concerns or communication for the school about your child and their class for 2027, please submit your concerns or issues in writing by the end of Week 2 next term, Friday October 23rd.

School Holidays

Term 3 concludes on Friday, 25th September. Staff will return on Monday, 12th October and students will return on Tuesday, 13th October.



Mr Graham
Principal

Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER)

Students from our school in Stage 3 have recently undertaken, an educational tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage, and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education.

To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion, the Australian Government is contributing funding to our school in the amount of \$45 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) program towards those costs. This amount was deducted from the final cost to families. The rebate will be paid directly to the school now that the excursion is completed.






PBL FOCUS



PBL Weekly Lessons

Week 10
Striving for Excellence

Week 1
Being Kind to Everyone

Respect

Responsibility

Excellence

PBL Assembly Awards K-2



Week 6

Class	Name
KB	James M
KC	James W
KM	Larinda K
KS	Emma R
1A	Charlotte U
1F	Charlotte J
1N	Ellie K
2B	Isaiah B
2C	Olivia W
2H	Hendrix P
2R	Harlyn C

PBL Assembly Awards 3-6



Week 8

Class	Name
5B	Hugo M
5R	Alyssa T
5/6M	Bria B
6H	Marqus P
6K	Grace S

* Stage 2 were on their Sydney Excursion for this assembly

www.wetlands.org.au/upcoming-events

Hunter Wetlands Centre has lots of School Holiday fun happening.



Click on the link or QR code above to find out more!

HUNTER WETLANDS CENTRE

Spring Festival

27 SEPTEMBER 2026

10am-2pm

Free Entry

Market Stalls
Children's Activities

Live Music
Jumping Castle
Face Painting

Guided Walks
"Roaming Reptiles"

1 Wetlands Pl, Shortland NSW

wetlands.org.au





SCHOOL HOLIDAYS @ THE YOUTH VENUE



HAVE BREAKFAST ON US!

Tuesday - Friday | 9 - 10am

Start your day with a free breakfast before our holiday programs! With cereal and toast available.

WEEK 1

TUESDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

Clay Creations | 1 - 2pm

Design, decorate, and show off your style.

Supported by the NSW Government



WEDNESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

Computers are unavailable on Wednesdays.

Dungeons + Dragons | 10.30am - 2.30pm

Roll the dice and let the adventure begin! Forge alliances, overcome challenges, and become the hero of your own story.

Dice + Board Games | 2.30pm

Grab a seat, roll the dice and challenge your friends! Whether you're a board game champion or trying something new, there's a game for everyone.

THURSDAY 1 OCTOBER

Art Session | 11am - 1pm

Get creative and a little messy with Martha and Jeremy from Foundations4creativity to paint a mural on the recreation room wall! Spaces are limited. Book your spot through our Eventbrite page.

FRIDAY 2 OCTOBER

Movie + Snacks | 11am

Sit back, relax and enjoy a great movie with friends! Grab some popcorn and snacks for a comfy afternoon.

WEEK 2

TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER

Pickle Ball | 11am

Get moving with pickle ball, a fun mix of tennis, badminton and table tennis!

Slime Time | 2.30pm

Get ready to mix, squish, and stretch your own awesome slime! Choose your colours, add some sparkle, and create a gooey masterpiece to take home.

WEDNESDAY 7 OCTOBER

Computers are unavailable on Wednesdays.

Dungeons + Dragons | 10.30am - 2.30pm

Roll the dice and let the adventure begin! Forge alliances, overcome challenges, and become the hero of your own story.

Charades | 11am

No talking, just acting! Team up with your friends for a fun-filled game packed with laughs.

THURSDAY 8 OCTOBER

Candle Making | 11am

Get creative and design your very own scented candle! Choose your colour and fragrance to make it your own.

FRIDAY 9 OCTOBER

Team Building Games | 11am

Think together, move together and succeed together! Take on a variety of fun challenges that test your communication, problem-solving and teamwork skills.

Ice Creams | 2pm

Afterwards enjoy ice cream on us! It's the perfect chance to relax, catch up with friends, and celebrate a fun morning.

BOOK YOUR SPOT

Scan the QR code to get your free ticket!



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The best thing about Canberra was the snow, the worst thing about Canberra was the water it tasted like chemicals and milk. My favourite things were snow and Questacon. The funniest thing was when people were doing ditching us and the people in my cabin got mad. Something I would never forget is the snow, it wasn't real and a little was real. I felt proud that I slept there because I don't normally sleep at places, I'm not used to. I was nervous when I first got there because I was away from my family. One thing I learned about was the parliament house and every single person in there has a role and matters. My favourite meal was probably the wedges they were just so fresh. The funniest people there was probably Aria or Ayvah they are always funny. When I came home my little brother missed me so much, he ran up to me and gave me the tightest hug. He played with our dad because I wasn't there, he wasn't playing with my older brother because he's "too cool to play with kids". But I was very happy to have my bigger bed and a comfier blanket.

By Aysha



The best thing about camp was when we went to the snow because it wasn't even cold it was hot. The worst part was when I wasn't with all my friends, but my cabin was still good. My favourite activity was Questacon when I went down the drop slide. The most exciting moment was when I was hanging on the bar on to the drop slide. The funniest was when Brydie and I were laughing at nothing when we were supposed to be asleep. Something I will never forget was when I face planted in the snow. I felt proud when I went down the drop slide. I was nervous when I got up to the top of the slide because it was a 90-degree angle. I found it difficult when I had to leave my family. One thing I learnt was at AIS that Athletes or Olympians go there 8 hours a day to train. My favourite meal was the dominos pizza that we had for lunch.

By Ayvah



When I left school to go to Canberra I felt excited but I was also sad to leave my pets for 4 days. My favourite thing at Canberra was Questacon but the Dinosaur Museum was a close second. I will never forget when we had trivia but it started raining on the way back to the cabins and because we were all wet, we started fighting over the showers. On the first night there, sleeping was nearly impossible because all you could hear was THUMP! THUMP! THUMP! My favourite meal was the chicken schnitzel, chicken schnitzels are one of my favourite foods. The worst thing at Canberra was Old Parliament House. It was cool but it wasn't the best out of it all. Now when I'm older, I have to vote for banana. I found it scary when I did the free fall at Questacon. I slipped off the bars when I wasn't meant to go because my hands were so sweaty. The funniest person at camp was Jack. He was loud but he was fun. On Friday when we went to the snow, my favourite thing there was tobogganing but having snow ball fights was also really fun. I loved the Mint, but I sadly couldn't buy a coin. When I went home I was so excited to see my pets and had a big story to tell.

By George

Canberra

The best thing about camp was that my dad came! Especially since it was his first time going with us on a school camp, so it was really exciting. I think the funniest thing that happened was when everyone BUT me would call him Mr. Lindsay like he was an actual teacher! I just called him dad. My dad also got to meet up with one of his old work friends called Tony Palmer, so every time he went over to talk to him, I would say 'Tony' instead of 'Mr. Palmer.' I think Tony and I are friends now.

Except for the drama, I think the only bad thing was trying to get to sleep! I swear, all the girls in the room next to us were doing gymnastics all night! All you would hear was BANG, THUMP, TAP, ALL NIGHT! Come to think of it, I think the activity that wore EVERYONE out the most was Questacon, because they had HEAPS of stuff to do and play with. I think ALL the activities we did were fun! I never knew Canberra could make SO many memories!

By Willow

Recounts



The best thing about camp was that I got to see a lot of new stuff and the first time going to Canberra I got to see Parliament House, the Mint, Old Parliament House, Questacon and the War Memorial and the snow. One thing that I learnt was that the flag on top of Parliament House is the size of a double decker bus and it has to get replaced every 3 to 4 weeks. The worst thing about camp was the first night because the people in my room kept me up until midnight. I was so angry. My favourite activity was seeing the lightning thing and the drop slide and the earthquake house at Questacon. The funniest person was Jack because he was pretending to fall asleep when teachers came. My favourite meal was schnitzel and chips and we had cake for dessert. The most exciting thing was going to the Mint and seeing the coins get made and all of the coins on the wall. I was nervous when we left to go.

By Harvey

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Stage 3 Canberra



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4H



4H had an amazing time on our Sydney excursion. We loved becoming archaeologists, digging up artefacts, and uncovering stories of convicts and early settlers in The Rocks. We also learned about the culture and history of the Gadigal people, rode the ferry under the Harbour Bridge and past the Opera House, and explored Cockatoo Island's convict sites. What an adventure!



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