Principal’s Report

First World War and how a French school has paid tribute to the sacrifices made by Australian troops.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate our Deputy Principal Elizabeth Bate, who was successful in gaining the position of Principal at Muswellbrook High School. I am sure as a community we thank Elizabeth for her hard work in the school. Elizabeth has had a remarkable impact on the tone and culture of the student body at Singleton High School. We will miss her efforts in the school. Elizabeth will take up her new position at the start of Term 2.

I would like to wish you all an enjoyable and relaxing Easter break.

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What’s on?

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Towards the end of March the school was visited by an arborist who checked on the safety of our trees. He has identified a number of trees that are a risk to human health and safety and these have been fenced off from the student body until they can be made safe.

Congratulations to our Bill Turner Cup soccer squad. Singleton High School defeated their much fancied opponents St Phillip’s Christian College Cessnock 2 nil. Well done to the team and to their coach Mark Henderson and we wish this team all the best in the next round against Rutherford High School.

As we approach the end of term, again our school gathers together to commemorate ANZAC Day. This event has been organised by Nigel Cox, who has developed a special theme that highlights our relationships in conflict. This year will commemorate the First World War and how a French school has paid tribute to the sacrifices made by Australian troops.

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Farewell Ms Bate

Thank you Singleton High School.

The time has come for me to farewell Singleton High School after six years of teaching and leading as part of the senior executive team.

I would like to thank Tony Jarrett, Ian Skilton, Shane Hookway, Singleton High School staff, students, parents and families and the Singleton community for your friendship and support in my role as Deputy Principal.

It has been my absolute pleasure to get to know you and to work diligently to ensure that your child took advantage of the many opportunities that Singleton High School has to offer.

We have an amazing school! The dedicated staff and their expertise truly offer learning and social experiences second to none.

Thank you Singleton High School - I am very pleased to have had the privilege of working here and proud to have Singleton High School as part of my career history. I take with me career highlights and many fond memories.

Best wishes,

Elizabeth

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The NAPLAN tests are fast approaching this year. They will occur on the May 13-15 2014, with catch up tests on May 16. The Literacy and Numeracy Team at Singleton High School would like to take this opportunity to encourage all Year 7 and 9 students and their families to begin preparing now for the NAPLAN tests.

NAPLAN is important because they are national tests of basic literacy and numeracy skills expected in life. If a student is struggling in an area of NAPLAN then they will also be struggling with that same area in class. Therefore NAPLAN can be diagnostic for both parents/carers and teachers.

In the near future you will be receiving a letter notifying you of the upcoming NAPLAN tests, as well as some handy hints on preparing for the tests. Please contact a member of the Literacy and Numeracy Team if you have any further questions.

Ren Barnett, Literacy Team
Secrets from the Hospitality Kitchen

Butter chicken recipe

1/2 cup of each of plain Greek style yoghurt, cream and chicken stock
2 garlic cloves crushed and a 3cm piece of ginger grated
2 teaspoons each of ground coriander and cumin
1 teaspoon garam masala
1/4 teaspoon chilli powder
600g chicken thigh fillets cut into 3cm pieces
1 tablespoon vegetable oil and 20g butter
1 brown onion halved, thickly sliced
410g can tomato puree
Basmati rice and coriander leaves to serve

- Place yoghurt, garlic, ginger, cumin, coriander, garam masala and chilli powder in a dish and add chicken, stir and cover. Refrigerate min 2 hours or overnight.
- Heat oil and butter in saucepan, over medium heat cook onion, add chicken and cook till it just changes colour. Add tomato puree and stock. Cover. Bring to the boil and then reduce heat to low and simmer stirring occasionally for 10 minutes or until chicken is tender and mixture has thickened slightly.
- Stir in cream and simmer for a further 5 minutes or until heated. Serve with steamed rice and coriander leaves.

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PARENT WORKSHOP:
Navigating Teen Relationships
with Nina Funnell

- What is REALLY happening in teen relationships in 2014?
- How are teens coping with the challenges of dating in the age of social, texting, and online porn?
- How can parents help their children navigate the increasingly complex media landscape?

Drawing on research conducted for her latest book, This Book of Parenting is Essential for Today’s Parents, Nina provides practical and inspiring advice for parents.

What: Wednesday 30th April 2014, 6-7pm
Where: Murrinbrook Workshops Club
( Ron Adams Room) 15 Sydney Street, Murrinbrook
Cost: $35.00 per person. To register please call 4932 3855.

Registration closes Friday 17th April 2014

Classifieds
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