Term 1 . Week 8
UNIFORM SHOP IS NOW OPEN
ON MONDAYS
8.30AM TO 11.00am
and
3.30pm to 5.00pm
Alternatively place and pay for
uniform orders online and collect
from the school office any time
within office hours.
Principal’s Report

Last Tuesday I attended the Year 7 camp at Morisset. It was a thoroughly enjoyable day for staff and students. The mud world challenge was enthusiastically embraced by staff as well as students, and I believe there would have been some very busy parents trying to get rid of the mud afterwards, if not throwing out the offending items!

The Year 10 peer leaders who accompanied the Year 7 students were doing an excellent job helping and encouraging the Year 7s when they felt that a challenge was too much for them, and the participation rate, even in the very scary events, was high.

The care and passion shown by Mrs Koletsis-Tatt and Mr Chapman for their Year was obvious, and I very much enjoyed seeing the easy, friendly relationships between all staff and students on the camp. Thank you so much to all staff and students for their participation in this wonderful event.

In other schools where I have worked, the cross country is a competitors only event. I was very happy to experience the atmosphere of my first whole-school cross country carnival. The whole day was a celebration of the culture of cohesion. Students and staff joined in this event with enthusiasm and energy, despite the fierce heat. We have some extremely competitive runners who will now make their way to the zone carnival. In the afternoon we had some great faculty stalls running at school to raise funds for the PE faculty. Many thanks to all staff and students for the great participation in all aspects of this day, and to Mr Higgins for organising this event.

Last Thursday I attended both the opening of the Hunter Coal Festival at the Civic Centre and the evening celebration at the Golf Club. On both occasions I was amazed at the level of professionalism and quality shown by our hospitality students. To watch them at work preparing hundreds of meals for the coal festival workers as well as members of the public, in a totally professional manner, was quite astounding. I was asked at one of the functions if I knew what catering company was being used, as the food was so beautiful.

At the golf club, our students had to set up a makeshift kitchen behind the curtain on the stage, as the golf club kitchen was being used. Working from one power point on the stage, as the golf club kitchen was being used. Working from one power point and with a plastic container to wash up in, the delicious finger food just kept coming out, served by neatly dressed students with impeccable manners. The hours, teamwork and professionalism shown by the whole team and led by Mrs Holloway and Mr Means was remarkable. Every time I spoke with guests at both functions, they gushed about our students. I know these things don’t just happen without a very supportive staff, so many thanks also to the rest of our Hospitality staff for providing much behind the scenes support.

It is well documented that the investment boom that generated so many jobs in the coal industry is over. The shift from the investment to the production phase means that mining will continue to be the major driver of the national and local economies, but at least in the immediate future, without an associated boom in jobs. A senior mining figure I spoke with at the festival was hopeful, but not confident, that the coal festival would see the return of modest levels of investment that may arrest the decline in employment.

The vicissitudes of the mining industry have implications for our school: its enrolment and student retention. Our lower than usual Year 7 enrolment and the higher than expected Year 11 retention, is in part due to this. When local job opportunities are declining, we have an opportunity to emphasise the importance of education in preparing students to thrive in an uncertain future. We must aim to have every student meet national literacy and numeracy benchmarks and ensure that as a school, we give life to the 4Cs of 21st Century learning: critical thinking, communication, collaboration and creativity.

Our Aboriginal Dance Group ‘Banda Ra’ performed at the Coal Festival on Thursday evening and again on the weekend. Michael Heitmeyer has taken over this year, and his stories really brought the dances to life. Our students danced with passion and commitment, and encompassed Year 7 through to Year 12. To see the unselfconscious pride in culture was moving. They received a fantastic reception and many coal festival visitors lined up for photos with them afterwards.

Thank you to Mrs Bailey, Mrs Vinson and Mrs Holloway for their work with this wonderful group. During the week guest speakers Darius Boyd and Michael Hancock from the Brisbane Broncos Rugby League football team came to give some of our Year 9 and 10 PASS elective students a talk about motivation, goal setting and discipline. The students enjoyed the talk, and the photo opportunities, as did some of our staff! Thank you Mrs Bendich for the organising this opportunity.

As Year 12 begin their half course exams, it is a good opportunity for students from other years to reflect on their own progress. Ensure notes are organised and topic summaries are complete following each topic, rather than leave it to a week prior to exams. Enjoy the last fortnight of term.
Deputy’s Report

GLENN YATES

It has been a very busy start to the new year, but it has been great to see our students take such an active role in school life. The participation of our Years 9 and 10 students at both swimming and cross country events was terrific to see and some great performances made. It has also been good to see so many Year 10s involved in the Peer Support program - the leaders of tomorrow are starting to make their mark today.

As the term starts to wind down, Assessment Tasks are starting to appear. Hopefully students are participating fully in preparation as these tasks are important in determining final grades and help to build the picture of student involvement in their learning. Good luck with your efforts. Parents have been able to access information through the Parent Portal to Millennium and it is hoped that in the very near future we will be able to open up a student portal so that students are able to have direct access to information about their tasks and day-to-day information, including timetables.

An area of concern for Years 9 and 10 is the number of students with poor attendance records. Please remember that student absences need to be accounted for. Unexplained absences paint a very poor impression when using a school report for a job application. It is also important to be at class on time. A few students are starting to build up some serious time out of class and this is impacting on their learning. Being at class and on time is vital if you are going to achieve at your best.

With the holidays coming ever closer, can I wish you a happy and safe break and looking forward to another productive time in Term 2.

Singleton High
AUTO FEST
Saturday, 9 May 2015 • 10am to 2pm
Singleton High School, York Street, Singleton

Fundraiser for Singleton High School P&C
Kids activities
Market stalls
Flexi-test
Great food
Great displays
Great prizes
Great fun

Best Ford
Best Holden
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Best Interiors
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Kid’s Pick
All proceeds go to the SHS Support Classes

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For more information, including the registration form go to www.singleton-h.schools.nsw.edu.au or email singletonhighautofest@gmail.com
Singleton High School is proud to have the opportunity to offer the parents of student’s free access to information on their children via an individualized portal to the schools online record keeping system. The portal to our Millennium system will give you daily updates on each of your children through one access point. Information can be accessed real time. As information is entered at the school level it is available to you through the parent portal.

- **Classes** (subjects / courses studied at Singleton High)
- **Timetable** (Day to day information relating to subject, period, teacher and room)
- **Mark book** (Every assessment task result and relative position within the course for that task)
- **Reports** (Access to Semester 1 and Semester 2 reports as they are entered by teachers)
- **Attendance** (Daily information relating to whole day absence, justified reasons for absence and identified occurrence of truancy)
- **Parent Teacher Booking** (Book parent teacher interviews online to guarantee your appointment)
- **Register** (Information that lets you know if your child has had a behavior incident, student recognition, student intervention, administrative action, etc recorded and the date on which it was actioned)

**Return Slip:**

To receive your e-mail containing your login details to access portal information relating to your children simply complete the return slip below. Parents may be contacted to verify e-mail addresses.

The names of my children enrolled at Singleton High School are:

1: __________________________________________
2: __________________________________________
3: __________________________________________

A contact telephone number to verify these details is: ____________________________

My e-mail address is listed accurately below:

[space for e-mail address]

[Available NOW on the Parent Moodle website: http://web1.singleton-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/moodle/ (hotlink available via the school website or App by accessing the School Links tab)]

[Access the 2015 Assessment Information folder to open and save Assessment Booklets for each Year group]

[Login or Register if this is your first time here?]

[Policy information]

[Full Year Assessment Task Mapping]

[Specific Assessment information for every subject]
Student Assessment Tasks available for Download via Millennium Parent Portal

All assessment task files including relevant information necessary to complete the assessment task will be stored as attachments to the associated activity in your Millennium Parent Portal.

Assessments will appear in your Activities tab two weeks before the due date. The following components will be available for download immediately:

1. Assessment task critical student information
2. Assessment task notification
3. The Assessment task (Research / Practical tasks that do not require examination style conditions)
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An example of Assessment files available for download on the Millennium Parent Portal

To access Assessment Task files, Select the Markbook tab in your child’s Millennium Portal.

The paper clip denotes attached files. Click on the task name to access the file folder.

Singleton High School Online Parent Teacher Booking system

Singleton High School is able to provide parents with the capacity to book Parent Teacher interviews online via your Millennium Parent Portal. Parents who have not registered for a Millennium account can do so via the application form in this newsletter or by contacting Singleton High School on 65711199.

Paper copies of the parent teacher booking sheet will be available from the front office or HT Welfare for those that have an inability to access the portal.

Year 7 and 11 parent teacher night is scheduled for Tuesday 31st March. Parents can discuss their child’s progress at any time by contacting the school.

Step 1: Ensure that your year is set to 2015

Step 2: Click on the link for Parent Interviews.

Step 3: Click on the link for Book Interview. Interview booking is child specific if you have more than one child at Singleton High School.

Step 4: Click on an available time slot for the teacher you would like to see. Your child’s name will appear as booked in.
Hello! you may have heard on the grapevine that I have returned to the lovely land of Australia after working with a special measures education team in the UK for 7 months. I have taken up residency back in my old office and it is good to see so many happy, familiar faces around the school and some new ones in the shape of dedicated staff and enthusiastic students!

I will be sharing my position as HT Welfare with Ms Cowmeadow working Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. On a Thursday please direct all enquiries or concerns to Ms Cowmeadow.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Cowmeadow, for all her hard work and support, not only whilst in the full time position of Head Teacher Welfare, but throughout the many years we have worked together at Singleton High School. She is a dedicated member of the Singleton High School team and works tirelessly to ensure positive wellbeing outcomes for both staff and students.

I would also like to say thank you and farewell, for now, to Mrs Leanne Ellis, a great year advisor and an incredible ARCO (Anti-Racism Contact Officer). Mrs Ellis and I worked closely as the ARCOS for the school and she led the school in Anti-Racism initiatives. Although we will be without Ms Ellis for the remainder of the year it is important to note that the whole school is in sync regarding our policy of zero tolerance of discrimination, harassment and vilification and that any issues or concerns can be directed to me as the remaining ARCO for the school.

National Action Day against Bullying and Violence

Friday 20 March was National Action against Bullying & Violence Day. Singleton High School registered to be a part of this national day of action, joining in with approximately 1700 schools. Singleton High School’s involvement in this day saw the Yr10 Peer Support Leaders & Year 11 Peer Mediators in charge of delivering a lesson about identifying and responding to harassment and bullying.

Staff were also encouraged to wear ORANGE - the colour associated with this national day.

Upcoming Parent Teacher Night

Parent teacher night for Years 7 and 11 is on Tuesday 31 March.

Important News

High School support program at Singleton library with Professor Phil Morgan (see flyer left)

Applications for Rosie Creators Award March 8 to April 20 (see below)

Medical Files

If your child has a medical condition you will soon receive paperwork for you to complete to update our information. This is a very important process and we ask that you return this important documentation as soon as possible.

Practical tips for parents on optimising the physical, social and emotional wellbeing of young people.

Professor Phil Morgan is founder of a number of successful community programs for parents including the internationally acclaimed ‘Healthy Dads, Healthy Kids’ program. He’s deputy director of the University of Newcastle Priority Research Centre for Physical Activity and Nutrition and lecturer in the School of Education.

Singleton Library
Monday April 13
6:30pm - 7:30pm
Free | Bookings Essential

Hey Girl.
Are you a Writer, Videomaker, Photographer or Activist?
Enter the Rosie Creators Award for your chance to win $500!
8 March – 20 April 2015
RosieRespect.org.au/award
It’s amazing how quickly this term is going – Week 8 already!!!!

Wednesday 11 March was a particular highlight of the past few weeks as a large contingent of Year 8 students attended the Annual Cross Country event held at Rose Point Park. Although the weather was unseasonably warm, the students still completed the course with great enthusiasm. That afternoon the staff then provided students with opportunities to take part in fundraising activities. Great food stalls, lucky number raffles, fun sporting competitions as well as musical items and karaoke were just a few of the activities on offer. Overall, a great day was had by all with special thanks to Mr Daniel Higgins for organising much of the day.

Until next time,
Yours in education

Mrs Bagnall and Mrs Mullen

Year 12 have started their half yearly exams this week. This is an important milestone in Year 12’s final year of study.

Year 12 were presented with their Year 12 jersey and jackets in the past fortnight and all were excited at the prospect of wearing them when the weather gets a bit cooler.

It’s with much sadness that we farewelled our year advisor Leanne Ellis last Friday. Leanne is taking leave to take up a position outside of the Department of Education and we wish her well with this exciting new endeavour.

She was farewelled on Friday by her beloved Year 12 at a lunchtime BBQ prepared for her by Year 12 students. She will be sorely missed, but on the good side Leanne’s new role will see her here at the school working with students, so she will still keep an eye on you all Year 12.

Bob Collins and Leanne Ellis
In this edition we get to know the first of our SRC members.

**What subjects are you studying?**
English Advanced, Physics, Chemistry, Outdoor Recreation, Mathematics, Mathematics Ext 1 and Ext 2.

I have also completed my Higher School Certificate in Biology in 2014.

**What are your plans when you leave school?**
I don’t have any plans that are set in concrete, but I hope to defer university for a year to work and travel then continue with my studies.

**What made you want to be part of the SRC?**
I became part of the SRC in Year 7 and got an insight into how everything worked. I had a break for a few years then rejoined to give back to the school and to become a valued member of a working team.

**Who is your childhood hero?**
That’s a tough one...probably my dad.

**Name some things that you can’t live without**
My watch, I go crazy just looking at my wrist without it. My phone rarely leaves me, I know it’s cliche but I use it for everything, I dont know what I would do without my car also.

**Pearl of wisdom for SHS students**
Never be afraid to ask for help.

**Something that makes you happy**
Spending time with friends and playing sport.

**Favourite memory of Singleton High School**
Being able to grow up and go through high school with friends and lots of support.

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Clemma Mansfield started at Singleton High School this year after being appointed as Head Teacher PD/H/PE. We asked her a few questions.

**Tell us about your experience as a school student?**
As a student I really enjoyed high school. I was known as a bit of a quiet achiever and always worked hard to achieve my best.

**What was your favourite subject at school?**
My favourite subject at school was obviously PDHPE! I also loved Biology and English.

**What is your favourite sport?**
I have always been a water person. Notice I did not run in the cross country carnival as I would’ve been like a fish out of water! I used to swim at a national level however now I play A Grade waterpolo in Newcastle.

**Best memory of your childhood school?**
Having wonderful teachers who worked hard to give us great experiences and who also shared their expertise and knowledge. I also enjoyed the social side of school and made some long lasting friendships.

**What made you want to become a teacher?**
I wanted to become a teacher so I could share my knowledge and skills with young people. I also really enjoy the energy of students and how rewarding teaching can be when a student has a ‘light bulb’ moment.

**Who was your childhood hero?**
My childhood hero was ‘Susie O’Neill’ and I always looked up to her as a positive role model especially in my sport.

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**Something that makes you happy?**
I really enjoy being physically active and enjoy walking and participating in dance classes. I love being with my family and friends and relaxing on the weekends.

**What is the best thing about SHS?**
All of the staff and students have been very welcoming and I have seen how the staff are very caring towards all of their students and strive to give them their best.

**Early tip to win the 2015 NRL premiership?**
Manly sea eagles (hesitated a little at admitting this!)
My preliminary research suggests that our

to military service in WWI.

for researchers to locate information relating
tool. The AIF Project provides a search engine
has proven an invaluable cross reference
A website sponsored by the UNSW Canberra
information that would help identify these
surname and initials of each man; no given
the service of their country. That task is not
served at Gallipoli and those who died in
keep our promise to remember them? Last
What do we know of these men? How do we
That list of names has long bothered me.
serviced and the trades.
education, but the latter was restricted to
primary and post-primary
curriculum
delivered primary and post-primary
school until after the war. From 1884-1920
had a high
never left Gallipoli; their names are marked
in red.

We remember:
- Pte William George ADAMS who
  served with the 13th Battalion, 8th
  reinforcement. Returned.
- Maj. Warren Melville ANDERSON fought
  at Gallipoli with the 6th Light Horse
  Regiment.
- L/Cpl Harold Edward BANGLE (E.H. on
  honour board) was KIA at Gallipoli on
  22nd August 1915 at Hill 60. He has no
  known grave and so is remembered at
  the Lone Pine Memorial on panel 60.
- Pte Earl Clyde BANGLE returned to
  Australia having served at Gallipoli with
  the 20th Battalion, C Company.
- Pte William Edward BRUDELRIN was KIA
  Menin Rd, Ypres on
  20th September 1915. He had previously
  served at Gallipoli with the 2nd Battalion,
  A Company, which means he went ashore
  on 25th April 1915.
- Cpl Athol George COUGHLAN also served
  in the 2nd Battalion, A Company but his
  fate is not given.
- Pte Walter FREEMAN served with the
  23rd Battalion HQ and returned to
  Australia.
- Bombardier Albert James HAGGARTY
  served with Field Artillery Brigade 1
  Battery 1 and returned.
- Sgt Frank Ernest Hedey HENRY served
  at Gallipoli with the 2nd Battalion, A
  Company.
- Sgt Leslie Alfred HILL served at
  Gallipoli with the 6th Light Horse 4th
  reinforcements. He subsequently
  returned to Australia.
- Pte Edward Denis KENDALL died of
  disease on 19 January 1916. This may
  well have been a consequence of life in
  the trenches on Gallipoli having served
  with the 20th Battalion, A Company. His
  next of kin lived on Bishopgate Street
  Singleton.
- Pte Albert MILLS was KIA on 18 May
  1915. He is buried at Lone Pine III.E.1.
  He served with the 2nd Battalion, A
  Company.
- Lt. Col. (Sir) Donald Ticehurst MOORE is
  the most decorated soldier that Singleton
  ever grew. His awards include: Mentions
  in Dispatches on four separate occasions,
  MC, DSO, a knighthood (CMG), as well as
  honours granted by the governments
  of France and Belgium for services
  rendered: Croix de Guerre (France),
  Ordre de la Couronne (Belgium). He
  served at Gallipoli as a lieutenant in the
  3rd Battalion, D Company before his
distinguished service on the Western
Front. He survived the war.
- Lt. James Anderson MOORE, brother of
  the above also served at Gallipoli. He
  was killed in action during the disastrous
  August offensive on 22 August 1915.
  Like the majority of the war dead in this
  campaign he has no known grave. He is
  remembered at the Lone Pine Memorial
  on panel 59.
- Cpt. John Bede MOYLAN (MC) died of
  disease on 28/9/1918 aged 42. He had
  served at Gallipoli with the 1st Light
  Horse C squadron. He is buried at the
  Gaza War Cemetery in Egypt.
- Staff Sgt. Daniel McKENDRY returned to
  Australia on17 March 1917 having served
  as a male nurse in Field Ambulance
  Section A. I believe he may well have
  served at Gallipoli.
- Pte Archibald McLACHLAN died of
  disease 4 June 1915. He is buried at
  Cairo. He may well have served in 1st
  Light Horse Field Ambulance, A squadron
  at Gallipoli. I need to confirm that I have
  the right McLachlan here. This man’s
  parents were from Singleton.
- Pte Robert John McNULTY was KIA on 28
  September 1915 aged 23. He is buried at
  the Shrapnel Valley Cemetery (II.D.44).
- Lt. Dalton Thomas Walker NEVILLE
  returned to Australia after a highly
  distinguished career. His awards include:
MiD, DCM and the Military Cross (MC).

- Pte Frederick Knox NEWLING returned to Australia in 1916, having served with the 2nd Battalion, A Company.
- Pte John Thomas O’DONNELL died of disease 12/2/1915, in Cairo. He had served with the 2nd Battalion, A Company.
- Sgt Harold Stanley Leopold OGDEN returned to Australia on 29 September 1918. He had served with the 13th Battalion, B Company. And so in all probability had served at Gallipoli.
- Pte Horace Earl PENTON returned to Australia on 3 May 1919. I believe he served at Gallipoli.
- Pte William PENTON was KIA on 2nd May 1915. He has no known grave. He is remembered at the Lone Pine Memorial on Panel 18.
- Pte Robert Aubrey ROBERTS returned to Australia, having served at Gallipoli with the 20th Battalion C Company.
- Lt. Ernest John STRUMMEY (MSM) returned to Australia on 5 April 1919. Gallipoli?? 13th Battalion 5th reinforcement. Note the spelling error on the honour roll: It should be Strumey.
- Pte James Cyril TEDDIMAN fate not provided. Gallipoli?? 1st Battalion, 6th reinforcement.
- Sgt. Harry Conroy THACKER returned to Australia on 23 October 1918. He had served at Gallipoli with the 2nd Battalion, G Company.

The AIF Project lists the names of over 465 servicemen who had some connection with Singleton.

If you believe you have a relative who served during the First World War, try the AIF Project search engine.
All you need is a surname or a town to breathe life into a name once more.

Special thanks goes to Nigel Cox for his help yesterday. Always a pleasure.

David Welsh, ANZAC Centennial Tour Chaperone

Congratulations to all the students involved with the Outdoor Adventure Camp! It was a fantastic few days and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves immensely. Moving between the groups Ms Koletis-Tatt and I were able to see the full enthusiasm with which students approached the camp’s challenges from the Giant Swing to The Leap of Faith to the notorious Mud World. I had the privilege of accompanying one group on their run through Mud World and it was wonderful to see students stepping out of their comfort zones and being rewarded for taking these risks. Ms Koletis-Tatt went canoeing with students and returned with a smile on her face and tales of enthusiastic children making the most of their time out on the water.

Year 7 are to be congratulated on their conduct whilst on camp which was largely exemplary. It provided students with the opportunity to bond with their peers outside the school context and the positive atmosphere within the groups was palpable. The total exhaustion displayed on the trip home is testament to the fun had on camp.
A special thank you goes out to the Year 10 Peers Support leaders who accompanied Year 7 on the camp. They led by example, met every challenge and were among those cheering loudest as their younger peers participated in the camp activities.

All in all it was a wonderful experience and I look forward to future expeditions with such an enthusiastic year group. Well done.
Our Aboriginal dance group Banda Ra performed at the Hunter Coal Festival last week. It was fantastic to see such a dedicated and passionate group of Singleton High School students representing their school and culture with such commitment.

The group received a fantastic reception and were mini superstars with many of the Coal Festival visitors requesting photos with our group afterwards. Well done everyone and thank you to Jo Vinson, Sharon Bailey and Tracey Holloway and a special mention to Michael Heitmeyer for his assistance as well.
Ungooroo Aboriginal Corporation (UAC) is a not for profit, community-based organisation that assists the Upper Hunter Aboriginal Community to achieve their vision for the future so they have equivalent access and outcomes in education, training, employment and economic participation as enjoyed by the community as a whole, whilst retaining the unique heritage and traditions of the Wanaruah Community.

UNGOOROO ABORIGINAL CORPORATION
GOALS & OBJECTIVES

- Promote the social, economic, cultural, physical and mental well-being of Aboriginal people
- To promote Aboriginal culture and heritage through the development of traditional and contemporary Aboriginal art
- Provide access to health care services
- Provide support for our Youth
- Promote and provide Employment pathways and growth opportunities for Aboriginal people
- Deliver Community participation in developing a new Aboriginal identity based in Commerce
- Engage with the Commercial sector, Government sector and Education sector to provide the best possible opportunities in Business Development, Pathways to Employment and Sustainable Employment options for Aboriginal people
- To build Economic and Social capacity within the Aboriginal community

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OPEN MONDAY TO FRIDAY 9AM - 5PM
The Learning Assistance Centre (LAC) is located in the School Library and is open before school, recess and lunch.

At the LAC, our Learning and Support Teachers: Linda Wilkes, Nicole Apps, Craig McLean and Melissa Huntington are always willing to help your child with any of their learning needs such as: organisation & time management, assessment tasks, homework tasks and class work and disability provisions.

Disability (Special) Provisions are practical arrangements that make it possible for students with permanent or temporary disabilities to attempt examinations. If your child requires disability provisions please contact Melissa Huntington or Linda Wilkes or ask the student to visit the LAC before the end of Term 1. Supporting documentation will be required before disability provisions will be provided.

Changes to Rule for Coloured Paper

The Board of Studies no longer provides coloured paper for students with Irlens. All students with Irlens will be required to provide their own coloured overlays/coloured glasses for both exams and in class work.

Thought.........

From the Happy Helpers at the LAC

Eight Aboriginal Art Workshops
With Les Elvin

This is your chance to learn about aboriginal art and culture from a well known local indigenous artist and make your mark on a group artwork that will be displayed at headspace Maitland! Open to both indigenous and non-indigenous young people between 12 and 25 years old.

When
Eight Workshops!
Tuesdays 3.00 pm to 5.00pm
17th, 24th and 31st March
7th, 14th, 21st and 28th April
5th May

Where
headspace Maitland
73 Elgin Street, Maitland

Contact
Call 4931 1000 or email:
headspacemaitland@samaritans.org.au

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Learning Assistance Centre Roster

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Successful from the Happy Helpers at the LAC
**Language Faculty**

**Japan Tour 2015**

The Japan Tour participants are all getting excited. We had an information night on Wednesday March 11 where we received our itinerary. We are leaving for Japan on September 20 and returning on October 2. A reminder that $1800 must be paid by June 2015. Group activities are being organised in order for everyone to get to know one another before we depart. The first one is at 5.30 pm, Wednesday May 6 2015, at Nagisa Restaurant. Last year’s Year 8s enjoyed it so much we just had to go back! Furthermore look out next term for one recess/lunch a fortnight for origami crane making in order to take the cranes to the Sadako memorial in Hiroshima Peace Park.

**Year 7 Japanese**

Year 7s are busy getting ready for their Japanese listening assessment in Week 8. Most students seem to be enjoying learning through their BYOD and laptops with lots of fun activities, games and songs on the Japanese Moodle classroom. To access it at home do Google search for Singleton High Links and follow the link. Scroll and click on Moodle (not Parent Moodle). Click on Languages and then Year 7 Japanese. The images are links to other websites and videos to help students revise, improve and extend their knowledge of Japanese and its culture.

**Year 8 Japanese**

How the semester is whizzing by!! Year 8 have already passed in their research task and are now preparing for their speaking assessment due Friday March 20. Students should be doing at least 10-15 minutes revision of words and grammar a day. The Moodle classroom is a fun way for students to do this! There are also quite a number of free apps for both Apple and Android as well as Windows. Go to the online store and check them out! I’m very impressed with how students are working at their own pace and are already confident in having short conversations in Japanese. This is great preparation for their speaking assessment next term!

**Year 9 Japanese**

It has been a great start to the year for these students. They have showed a flare for being excellent foreign language learners. Students have been set the challenge of learning the script of Hiragana by the end of the term. The students are striving with excellence and are already showing signs of being proficient users of the Japanese writing system without the use of any resources.

**Year 10 Japanese**

What an awesome class of enthusiastic Japanese learners we have in Year 10, with nine of these students going to Japan on the school study tour in September/October this year. Students are currently acquiring the Japanese language skills necessary to be able to communicate about their own town/community. Students have a writing assessment due at the end of Week 9 where they will be demonstrating their creative ability in constructing their own written messages using the linguistic structures we have been learning in class. I look forward to seeing the end products.

**CAPA Faculty**

Creative and Performing Arts Faculty have been busy on some fantastic excursions in the past two weeks. On Monday 9 March, our music students headed to the Sydney Opera House to attend Encore 2014. This performance showcased the very best music students that completed the HSC in 2014.

On 10 March our Stage 5 and 6 art students went on an action packed day to the big smoke to view the Art Express exhibition at both the Art Gallery of NSW in the city and the Armoury Gallery at Homebush. Art Express 2014 exhibition showcased all the best 2014 HSC Art students work and was a fantastic experience to let our future HSC stars see what is possible.
Faculty Reports

**Hospitality**
Singleton Lioness Club’s 30th Birthday Lunch
As part of the requirements when studying hospitality students are required to complete a number of work placement hours. This is achieved by catering for a range of different local events.

On Friday the 13th and Saturday the 14th March, 30 students were able to participate in the preparation and service of the Singleton Lioness Club’s 30th Birthday Lunch and the Lioness Clubs Regional Meeting.

Thank you to the Singleton Lioness Club for granting our students this holistic real world experience by allowing us to cater for their event. Thank you to all the students involved. The ladies who attended this event were overwhelmed, a few even had a tear or two over how well our students demonstrated school pride and professionalism. They were also extremely impressed when they saw their birthday cake that Ashley Haynes of Year 10 had made and decorated for them.

Well done again to all the students involved.

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**Edible Garden**
The Edible Garden is a continually developing learning space for all students involved in Hospitality, Support classes or Mandatory Technology areas. As this space is always evolving we are always looking at what the needs of the students and classes and evaluating how this can be implemented in a more sustainable way, therefore we are asking if any of you out there have any old half wine barrels or herb plants roots and all, that you are willing to donate. If you do, could you please send them to Mr Mead in the Home Economics Faculty.
Rugby league
On the 15 March all age groups from Singleton High School competed in the Scone Cup. All students represented The school with the upmost pride, respect and responsibility. Thank you to all the parents who took the time to get the boys to the venue. We appreciate your support. Thank you to Mr. Higgins who organised the event and coached the teams, Mr. Mead who assisted coaching and to Jocelyn Johnson and Maddie Valentine who assisted on the day. The results are as follows: The under 13s played hard and made it through to the semi final but were denied by 2 point to progress through to the final. The under 14s went through the whole day undefeated and won The Scone Cup for their respective age group. They were humble in victory. Well done boys! The under 15s unfortunately, lost in their first round and bowed out of the competition. The under 16s unfortunately, lost in the final. The Opens played courageously to make it all the way to the final. In the final they were matched against a much bigger side. They defended valiantly and at full time it was a draw at 10 - all but the rules stated that in the event of a draw the cup would be awarded to the team that scored first and that unfortunately was not Singleton High. Well done and well done to all the teams throughout the day.

Daniel Mead, Coach

The next Rugby League event on the calendar is the Buckley Shield for the under 14s and the University Shield for the Open team which will be held on April 1.

Broncos Visit Singleton High
During Week 7 on Thursday the 12 March we were lucky enough to have guest speakers Darius Boyd and Michael Hancock from the Brisbane Broncos Rugby League Football visit Singleton High School to present a motivational session to students in Year 9 and 10 PASS elective classes. The students gained meaningful advice from the star players in terms of goal setting, discipline and making smart choices for the future. If the students were star struck you couldn’t tell as they were very well behaved and did SHS proud as they listened intently and asked questions with enthusiasm!! I must say there seemed to be a lot of Broncos fans that day, staff included! It was truly great to see the students so excited and raving about the session.

As well as the presentation, students were given the opportunity to participate in a practical clinic with the football players and a chance for the students to show their skills. The students very much enjoyed the talk and the photo opportunities, as did some of our staff!

Cлемma Mansfield, HT PDHPE

Cross Country
In hot conditions last Wednesday, a large number of students and staff participated in the school cross country carnival. With distances ranging from the 18 years boys completing 8km and the 12 years completing 3kms, Munro (318) were the winners on the day followed by Burdekin (222), Elliot (220) and then Howe (176).

Age Winners:
18 years
Boys - S Howard  Girls - M Nicolai
17 years
Boys - J Mackaway  Girls - L Avard
16 Years
Boys - J Bradley  Girls - T Giggins
15 Years
Boys - J Shade  Girls - C Stewart
14 Years
Boys - N Watson  Girls - M Berry
13 Years
Boys - C Andrews  Girls - K Cox
12 Years
Boys - D Pope  Girls - O Hebei

Regional Swimming Results
The regional swimming carnival was held at Maitland pool recently and once again Singleton High School was well represented in the Upper Hunter team with 11 students attending the carnival. From this we had several students who have qualified for the State titles. Oliver Berry, Maddison Berry, Chantelle Smuts, Noel Woods, Elliot Earnshaw, Darcy Ryan and Darcy Gilson all qualified in individual events and the Under 14 years relay team that consisted of Darcy Gilson, Oliver Berry, Elliot Earnshaw and Noel Woods are also off to the State carnival as well.

Clem Mansfield, HT PDHPE
On Friday the 6 of March, the students taking part in the Biology Course from both Years 10 and 11 took a bus down to the Hunter Wetlands Centre, located near Newcastle.

Upon arrival the students were greeted by Hunter Wetlands Instructor, Doc, and taken to a short presentation before being split into groups, and sent out into the Wetlands. Gumboots were optional, but deary me were they necessary!! Throughout the day, students were required to test their science skills – species were fished out of the ponds, biotic and abiotic factors of the ecosystem were tested, and gumboots were put to the test.

It was a very enjoyable day!

P.S Gumboots are on sale for $15 at Rivers!!

Thomas Israel and Phoebe Marcheff
Tour information

Dates: April 9 – 23, 2016
Price: $6,395.00 per person all inclusive*

* Based on a minimum of 20 paying participants in multi-share rooms. Price may change if exchange rates or airline fuel surcharges change significantly.

- Airfares, taxes and fuel surcharges — included
- Comprehensive travel insurance — included
- Entrance fees to sites — included
- Tips to guides, restaurants and drivers — included

Academy Travel is an Australian company which designs and manages specialised, customised international tour programs for schools, universities, and private groups.

Tour highlights

- 15-day tour specifically designed for Ancient and Modern History students of Singleton High School, covering content related to the core studies of these HSC units.
- Enjoy the iconic sites of Paris and see the famous artworks in the Louvre.
- Explore the battlefields, memorials and museums of the Western Front in Belgium and northern France.
- Investigate the history of Classical Rome and view its iconic landmarks.
- Visit the world’s smallest country, Vatican City.
- Travel to the Bay of Naples to visit the “Cities of Vesuvius” and ascend to the summit of Mount Vesuvius (weather permitting).

Itinerary

Breakfast and dinner are included daily.

Day 1: Depart Sydney.

Day 2: Arrive Paris – Orientation walking tour of the Marais and Bastille areas. Enjoy a cruise along the River Seine past the city’s landmarks and enjoy panoramic views of the city from an iconic vantage point. Overnight Paris.

Day 3: Louvre & Latin Quarter - Morning visit to the vast collections at the Louvre. Stroll through the Latin Quarter and visit Notre Dame Cathedral. Overnight Paris.


Day 5: Somme battlefields – Full day on the battlefields, including visits to Villers-Bretonneux, Pozieres and le Hamel. Overnight Somme Valley.

Day 6: To Belgium – Coach transfer to Ypres via Fromelles. This afternoon visit In Flanders Fields. Overnight West Flanders.

Day 7: Flanders battlefields - Visit the battlefields, cemeteries, memorials and museums of the Western Front in Belgium. Participate in a wreath-laying at the evening Last Post Ceremony at Menin Gate. Overnight West Flanders.

Day 8: To Rome – Flight from Brussels to Rome. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel for check in before taking an orientation stroll of the iconic landmarks of the Eternal City, including the Trevi Fountain, Pantheon and Spanish Steps. Overnight Rome.


Day 11: To the Bay of Naples – Coach transfer to the Bay of Naples and weather permitting, ascend to the crater of Mt Vesuvius. Overnight Bay of Naples.

Day 12: Herculaneum and Naples – Explore the ruins of the town of Herculaneum with a local guide. Free time for lunch in Naples and a guided visit of the National Archaeological Museum to see the artworks from the Vesuvian cities. Overnight Bay of Naples.


Day 14: Depart Rome

Day 15/16: Arrive Sydney in the evening or early the following morning.

A genuine learning experience!
- Itinerary carefully planned by experienced educators
- Fully escorted by a knowledgeable tour manager
- Qualified local guides at major sites

Please note that itinerary may be modified to suit local conditions (weather, museum openings and closings etc.)
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*****Specials*****

- We have the longer older style shorts for boys still available and all must go ....$5.00 a pair

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Second hand clothing is available and all items are $5.00 each.

Donations of second hand uniforms would be greatly appreciated. All money raised is donated back to the school. Unfortunately we do not sell preloved uniforms on consignment.

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**Payment:** Cash, cheque or eftpos/credit card facilities available.

**Location:** Near the MPC building, enter through the main office and follow the signs.

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**Opening Times have changed**

Monday 8.30am till 11.00am and 3.30pm till 5.00 pm

Online orders can be placed and paid for via the Singleton High School website and collected from the front office Tuesday to Friday.

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### Menu

#### Hot Food

- Nugget (5) $2.00
- Sausage Roll $3.50
- Meat Pie $4.00
- Cheese and Bacon Pie $4.50
- Chicken Burger $4.50
- Beef Burger $4.50
- Sweet Chilli Wrap $5.00
- Pizza Roundas $2.50
- Noodles $2.50
- Salt and Vinegar Tenders (NED) $1.00
- Garlic Bread $1.00
- Sauce $0.30

#### Rolls

- Salad Roll (no meat) $4.50
- Salad Roll (with meat) $5.00
- Salad Tub (with egg) $5.00
- Fruit Salad Tub $4.00

#### Sandwiches

- Chicken and Lettuce $4.00
- Ham, Cheese and Tomato $4.00
- Egg and Lettuce $3.50
- Beef and Pickles $4.00
- Turkey and Cranberry $4.00

#### Brekkie Ideas (before 9.30am)

- Hash Browns $1.00
- Brekky Wrap $2.00

#### Healthy Meal Deal $4.50

Sandwich, juice and fruit (orders only)

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#### Daily Specials

- Monday Sliders $2.50
- Tuesday Toasties $4.00
- Wednesday Hot Dogs $3.50
- Thursday Mini Pizzas $2.00
- Friday Chick Caesar Tub $5.00

#### Drinks

- Aroona, cans of drink $2.50
- Gatorade $4.00
- Dare iced coffee $4.00
- Plain milk $3.00
- Juice (large and small) $3.00
- Mineral water (large and small) $3.00

#### Snacks

- Pretzels (large) $2.00
- Red rock deli chips (large) $2.00
- Red rock deli chips $1.00
- Smiths Chips $1.00
- Jumpy’s $1.00
- Grain Waves $1.00
- Twisties $1.00

#### Assorted Ice blocks from 50 cents

Coffee and Hot Chocolate $3.00

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**Healthy Meal Deal $4.50**

Sandwich, juice and fruit (orders only)