IMPORTANT DATES

Term 3

Week 3
Education Week
Tuesday July 29th
Education Week Awards Evening at Singleton High School
Thursday July 31st
Assembly & Open Day
Friday August 1st
Zone Athletics Carnival

Week 4
Tuesday August 5th-Friday August 8th
Snow Excursion (Yrs 3-6)
Wednesday August 6th
P&C Meeting 3:10pm ALL WELCOME

Week 5
Monday 11th & Tuesday 12th August
SongRoom Camp (Yrs 3-6)
Friday 15th August
St Cath's Netball Gala Day

Week 8
Wednesday 3rd September
Gresford Art Carnival (selected students)
Thursday 4th September
Father’s Day Stall
Friday 5th September
Alpha Show at SHPS (all students)

Week 9
Friday 12th-Sunday 14th September
P & C Art In The Vines

Term 4

Friday 31st October
P&C Trivia Night

Education Week Open Day

To celebrate Education Week we will be having an Open day and Assembly next Thursday 31st July.
1.15pm -1.45pm Recess
1.45pm-2.15pm Open classrooms
2.15pm Assembly.
We hope to see you here.
**Singleton High School Roadshow**

On Monday students from Singleton High School attended our school and showcased some of the activities available to the Year 6 students when they attend the high school next year. All our students were offered a ‘taster’ of these programs. There were displays of music, drama, science and technology and art. All students enjoyed the opportunity to engage in some sample activities and talk to the high school students about life in a big school environment and where you have to move between rooms and buildings and having different teachers for each subject. The high school students were enthusiastic about their subjects and were great role models for the students when they attend the high school.

**NAIDOC at Milbrodale**

We joined with the other Singleton Small Schools on Tuesday to participate in our annual NAIDOC day celebration. It was a wonderful cultural day for the students to be reminded about the part of the Aboriginal heritage in this area. Students also caught up with their friends from the other small schools. All students were well behaved and enjoyed participating in the range of activities on offer on the day.

**Contact Details**

Please keep the office informed of any changes in address, contact phone numbers, emergency contact details etc. It can be very distressing for students when they are sick and/or hurt and we are unable to contact you or someone to come and collect an unwell student because we haven’t been informed of a change in details.

**Permission Notes**

Please return notes promptly for organizational reasons. Some students have missed out on attending events as we are not chasing up all notes we send home. If you know your son/daughter will not be attending a special event they have been selected for or it’s an excursion only for one class please don’t say they will be there and then pull out without informing the school. Other students can be offered the opportunity to attend. Naturally if they are sick or hurt we understand and appreciate not having germs spread to others in the school.

*Please return all notes to Kate or Tash in the office.*

**Change of date…**

The Fathers Stall will now be held on Thursday September 4th.

**Father’s Day Stall**

The P&C are asking for donations for our Father’s day Stall that will be held on Thursday 4th September. Please bring any donations to the office.
**Athletics Carnival Trophies**

Could all students who won a trophy at this year's athletics carnival please return it to school tomorrow so that we can get names engraved onto the trophies. Trophies will then be returned so the child can keep it until next year's carnival.

**Kindergarten Transition**

We will hold an all-day kindergarten transition program commencing in Term 4. This will occur on a Thursday commencing on Thursday 16\(^{th}\) October and concluding on Thursday 20\(^{th}\) November. New kindy children will be allowed to arrive after 8.35am and line up with the other children and participate in an all-day program run by Miss Cunningham. This will consist of structured activities to assist the children become familiar with the routines and expectations of being at ‘big school’. The children will also join the other students for fitness, lunch and recess. There will be a parent information session held at a date to be confirmed. We currently have 9 enrolments for our 2015 kindergarten class. If you have a child or know of a child who is ready to start kindy in 2015, and we don’t have their details could you please ask them to contact the office so they can be included in all our communication about this new program. During my absence please direct any questions you might have with Miss Cunningham.

**Rise for Alex**

Thank you for your support last Friday to support the Rise for Alex fund. We raised $106.30.

**Head Lice**

They're creepy and they're kooky,  
Mysterious and itchy,  
They're all together yukky,  
The Nit Family.  
Their house is a head  
When people feel 'em  
They really do scratch  
The Nit Family.  
(Itch)  
(Itchy)  
(Scratchy)  
So get a plastic shawl on  
A comb and some white conditioner  
We're gonna pay a call on  
The Nit Family.  

Head lice feed on human blood several times a day and live close to the human scalp. Head lice are not known to spread disease and they are only found on the human head or hair. They are rarely transferred through clothing, hats, furniture or bedding.  

There is no preventative treatment available for head lice. Apply product and leave it for 20 minutes. Comb out with a good quality lice comb. If dead lice are found, that means the product has worked. Retreat in 7 days to kill the nymphs that emerged from unhatched eggs. If you find live lice, which means the treatment hasn’t worked. Use another product or try the comb and conditioner method.  

Girls should wear their hair braided or plaited to reduce the head lice moving from one head to another and boys should keep their hair short.  

Please be vigilant when treating your children for head lice. The continuous reinfection of children because others are not treating their children is expensive, frustrating and very upsetting for families. Everyone needs to continuously check hair and treat accordingly. Head lice have been present in every school I have ever taught in and I don’t know of any school that has successfully eliminated them but I do know that when we all work together we can help reduce the incidences of reinfestation.
**Kindergarten Transition**

We will hold an all-day kindergarten 6 week transition program commencing in Term 4. This will occur on a Thursday commencing on Thursday 16th October and concluding on Thursday 27th November. New kindy children will be allowed to arrive after 8.35am and line up with the other children and participate in an all-day program run by Miss Cunningham. This will consist of structured activities to assist the children become familiar with the routines and expectations of being at ‘big school’. The children will also join the other students for fitness, lunch and recess. There will be a parent information session held at a date to be confirmed. We currently have 9 enrolments for our 2015 kindergarten class. If you have a child or know of child who is ready to start kindy in 2015, and we don’t have their details could you please ask them to contact the office so they can be included in all our communication about this new program.

During my absence please direct any questions you might have with Miss Cunningham.

*TAFE Outreach* is running an Asian Cooking Course at the Bulga Hall on Thursdays from 10 am to 2 pm.

*Course dates are 7 August 2014 to 30 October.*

*Course includes cuisine from countries including Thailand, Japan, Korea, India, Burma, China, Vietnam.*

*The course costs are $20 per person per week which includes a three course meal and beverage.*

For more information please contact Annabelle at TAFE on 6542 1115.

**Trauma Teddy Colouring and Writing Competition**

Congratulations to the following students who were recently placed in the Red Cross Trauma Teddy competition to celebrate 100 years of service to the community.

**Colouring competition**

Kindergarten: 3rd Asher Wood
Year 1/2: 2nd Arabella Blewitt
Year 3/4: 2nd Emily Worgan
Year 5/6: Equal 2nd: William Lambkin & Samantha Whitton
3rd: Andrew Lambkin

**Writing Competition**

Year 3/4: 1st Emma-Leigh Green
2nd: Sia Emmett
3rd: Ayeisha Thomas
Year 5/6: 1st Rose Worgan
2nd Kayla Maloney

**Red Cross Brunch & Exhibition**

On Sunday 17th August from 11:00am-3:00pm the Red Cross will be celebrating their 100th birthday. Everyone is invited to attend. Brunch and lunch will be supplied as well as a presentation to all of the Trauma Teddy’s colouring and writing competition winners.

**P&C**

The P&C needs volunteers for canteen duties on both Monday & Fridays.

If you are help out please see Mary Lambkin or let Kate know in the office and a roster will be arranged.

Thank You.
NAIDOC Day at Milbrodale Public School

Singleton High School Road Show

Singleton Relay For Life Info Night
Have you ever wondered what Relay for Life is all about? Would you like to register a team or join the survivors and carers lap but not sure what happens next?
Come along on Thursday 14 August 2014 at 7.30pm Cancer Council Office 69 John St.
Meet the committee and have all your questions answered.