Week 11 – 10 April 2013
Sharing Our News

We have made it to the end of a very fulfilling term. There has been a lot of learning and a lot of fun but I have noticed the children getting very tired this week. Thank you to all our students, teachers and community members for all your work and enthusiasm this term. The staff will be doing Non Crisis Intervention (NCI) training day 1 and training around our new National Curriculums on Day 2. We will see your children back on Wednesday the 1st of May.
Have a safe and happy holiday.

Principal
Cath Larkman

Parking Signs
As you are aware we have new signs in Sussex Street to cater for the safety of our children. For your convenience we have included some information from the RTA website:

To further ensure the safety of our children, the P&C has erected signs on the Sussex street fences to remind drivers of the drop off/pick up area. These signs indicate the areas where the zone starts and finishes.
GOLD CARD ASSEMBLY
This Friday 12th April we are holding our 1st Gold Card Assembly for the year in the hall at 9.30am. The choir and band will be performing at this assembly parents and grandparents are most welcome to attend.

Staff Development Days Term 2
Students do not return to school until Wednesday the 1st May in Term 2. All schools have been given an extra day to prepare for the new National English Curriculum. We are aware that many parents will need to make arrangements to have their children cared for on Monday the 29th and Tuesday the 30th of April.

ANZAC Day Service
King Street Public School will be commemorating ANZAC Day with a special assembly to be held on Thursday 11th April at 9.30am in the hall. We invite parents/carers and friends of King Street to attend.

KING STREET STUDENTS INVITED TO ANZAC MARCH ON 25TH APRIL
All students are invited to represent our school in the annual Anzac March on Thursday, 25th April. This will be in the second week of the school holidays. All students are asked to wear full King Street uniform, as well as a King Street hat. Students are to assemble in the William Street carpark (near the Senior Citizen’s Hall) no later than 10.15am. We will join the March from William Street carpark and make our way down to Civic Green for the Anzac Service at the Civic Centre. The Anzac Service should take about 45 minutes. Hope to see you all there! Mrs Griffiths

School Assemblies
Infants Thursday at 2.30pm in the Hall
11th April 1T

Stage 2 Thursday at 2.30pm in the Hall
4th April 3/4G

GOLD CARD ASSEMBLY
Friday 12th April at 9.30am in Hall

CANTEEN ROSTER
Week 1  Term 2
29/4/13 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
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1/5/13 Alison Way, Robyn Stacy
2/5/13 Jason Gould, Belinda Richards
3/5/13 Melanie Weber, Penny Stewart

Week 2  Term 2
6/5/13 Tayla Stamp
7/5/13 Melanie Barber, Cathy Smith
8/5/13 Cynthia Korff, Alison Way
9/5/13 Merri Pankhurst, Maxine Chesworth, Sharon Cameron, Kylie
10/5/13 Nicky Jones, Cheryl Holz, Tayla Stamp

UNIFORM SHOP
3/5/13 Belinda Richards, Paula Hannon
10/5/13 Dawn Knight, Simone Hamson

Canteen Promotional Offer
Vanilla Paddlepops $1.30
Hurry Limited Time!!!

University of NSW (UNSW)
International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS).
CLOSES TOMORROW
University of NSW competitions are now being advertised. They are a wonderful opportunity for your children to practise the skills required to sit an external test. We all know that exams can be very nerve-wracking and the more experience the kids get the better. Everyone receives a participation certificate. It would be valuable if students from Years 3-6 could sit at least an English and Mathematics competition. This will usually give them experience in their best and their most challenging subject!

WANTED
If you have old fan blades that are no longer needed please drop in to Mrs Stretton for use in craft projects.
Drumbeats Performance

Last Thursday King Street students were treated to a wonderful visit from ‘Drumbeats’. The students thoroughly enjoyed learning how music and rhythm is within all of us (even our belly dancing teachers!). Every student had the opportunity to play a drum alongside their friends, and the smiles could not be wiped off their faces. You can see more photos on our website.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

Our school will be again participating in the Earn and Learn program run through Woolworths. If you would like to collect your points and send them into the office we will collate them and exchange them for craft or stationery items for the children to be able to use at school.

Well done Maddison and Oliver

Last Tuesday Maddison B and Oliver B represented the region at the State Swimming PSSA Carnival which was held at the Sydney Olympic Aquatic Centre. Maddy came 8th in her heat of the 50m breaststroke, and was placed 28th out of the 40 swimmers in her event. Oliver swam the 200m individual medley and was placed 7th in his heat.

Congratulations on a wonderful achievement, and thank you for representing our school in such an outstanding way.

Pianos for Tender

King Street Public School has 2 older pianos in reasonable condition which we no longer use. We would also like to open up some space in 2/3U and 2I classrooms. These pianos would be suitable for a learning student. The cost of moving pianos would be the responsibility of the buyer.

Please put your offer in an envelope with your name and address on the front.

Tenders will be considered on April 10th.

If you would like to look at the pianos, please ring the front office 65722281 for a suitable time.

Thanks
Cath Larkman

Thank You Jason

The Canteen Committee, along with Lorraine and Brooke, would like to give a BIG thank you to Jason Gould. Just before Easter our toaster/grill blew the front elements, Jason drove to Newcastle to get the parts needed and then, in his own time, installed them. We are very grateful for having such a wonderful volunteer, go out of his way, to help our school canteen.

Hunter Sports High School

Anyone interested in applying for their child to enrol in the Hunter Sports High in 2014 could you please see Mrs Hovey for more information and forms.

Jan Hovey
Stage 2 Assembly Awards – Term 1 Week 10

Merit Cards:
2/3U: Shane B, Ebony R.
3FM: Lacee F, Ruby B.
3/4G: Jasmine N, Sam R.
4B: Imogen G, Jackson T.
4/5B: Deborah F, Nicholas C.

K.S.P.S – P.B.L:
2/3U: Kye C.
3FM: Caleb H, Laura C.
3/4G: Ewan M, Isabella T.
4B: Casey S, Lillian B.
4/5B: Leo L, Gracie R.

Sports Awards:
2/3U: Denzel S.
3FM: Stella S, Luke M.
3/4G: Sam H, Kiram T.
4B: Julia S, Jayden O.
4/5B: Gracie R.

Star Awards: Jaymon M, Casey S, Chloe R, Jacelyn M.

Green Awards: Liarni W.

Classroom ‘Power Rangers’ is a new initiative from our EWOKS encouraging everyone to save electricity at our school. Some of the responsibilities of the Power Rangers are to:

- Turn off all lights/smartboards and fans when leaving the classroom
- At the end of the day check that all computers are shut down and monitors are turned off
- Use windows and fans where possible
- Turn air-conditioners off after 2:00pm.

Watch this space for other power saving ideas that will be coming soon.

Importing Rugby League Players

A speech about “Global Connections” by Elliott Earnshaw (5/6H)

The game of Rugby League is a type of tackle footy. It is played in many countries and many different competitions. The main Australian competition is the NRL which stands for National Rugby League. Today I am going to tell you about the imports of rugby League players to Australia.

The NRL has many teams from across Australia and one New Zealand team. It is open to people from all cultures and imports many players from other countries to try and make their teams better.

Many sporting stars from countries come to Australia to play NRL. These include Benji Marshall from New Zealand, a star from the West tigers. Gareth Widdop from England, an excellent player from the Melbourne Storm and also players, like Akuila Uate from the Pacific islands. The reasons for most of these players coming to Australia is for more money and to get noticed for representing their country. In places, like the Pacific islands, it is rare to find a Rugby League competition, and if you do, they will get paid little or no money. So players from these places around the world can be imported by NRL teams to get more money and help the NRL teams be better. This is a win-win.

New Zealand also joins into the NRL but many New Zealand players play for other teams, other than the New Zealand Warriors. Also some Australian players go to other countries for the same reasons, such as the Super League in England. Many of these players, who have come from other countries, have been very successful. The only bad thing with this is that this means ‘up and coming’ Australian players are missing out on spots in the NRL and the opportunity on missing out on this experience. It also means that money leaves the Australian economy and pulls money off the NRL.

So, like any import into Australia it has good and bad points, but overall I think that imports in the NRL are a great thing. I hope that I have given you a bit more information on NRL imports and you have learnt something interesting.
**Buddy Reading**

Each week our Year 6 and kindergarten students meet for their buddy session. These meetings are enjoyed by all children, and involve activities such as craft or outdoor games. This week was a quiet reading session, with Year 6 entertaining their friends. The older students were also happy to see how much the kindergarten students have learnt to read in only one term! To view more photos of the buddy session, look on our school website.

![Buddy Reading Image]

**CLOTHING SHOP WINTER SALE**

*This Friday Morning Only 12/4/13*

Old style Taslon Jacket sizes 6 & 8 – were $25 now $10
Pre-loved fleecy jumpers most sizes available - $2 each
Gilrs Culottes sizes 5, 14, & 16 - $10 each
Girls Red socks sizes 5-8 & 9-12 only - $2 each
Boys Grey socks sizes 9-12, 13-3 & 8-11 only - $2 each

**Headlice**

Headlice is an ongoing problem in all schools. Children who have headlice are not able to be excluded from school so we rely on parents treating their children straight away so the headlice don’t spread to the whole class. Unfortunately some children seem to get headlice more often than others and it becomes very expensive for these parents to keep treatments up.

Please check your children’s heads.

**MOTHERS DAY 2013**

Mothers Day is nearly here again so we are asking for donations to sell at our Mothers Day Stall. Items can be dropped off in the quad before assembly each morning starting Term 2. Toiletries, photo frames, jewellery, chocolates & soaps are just some of the items that would be much appreciated.

Thank you everyone.

**King Street Public School sincerely thanks the following local businesses for their support of our 009 Leadership Program:**

- Wynyard Street General Store
- One-O-One Coffee House and Homewares
- Subway Singleton
- Topshot Singleton and Indoor Sports
- Civic Video
Welcome to our new King Street Family Members

Over the past week the children have had the opportunity to suggest names for our 10 new chickens. Each chook has been named, and we would like to introduce you to......

MILDRED
ROXY
REBEL

DOREEN
ROCKO
ASH

CHICKEN LITTLE
CHERYL
GERTRUDE

JEFF
HUNTER TENNIS ACADEMY
Tennis Clinic in School Holidays

When: Clinic 1 Tues 16th & Wed 17th April 2013
Time: 9am – 12noon or 9am -3pm
Where: Hunter Tennis Academy at
        Howe Park Tennis Courts Boundary St Singleton
Cost: Half Day Program $60 includes 2 half days
      Full Day Program $99 includes 2 full days
Contact Hunter Tennis Academy on 0417 977 940 or
Email gary@huntertennisacademy.com.au
Website www.huntertennisacademy.com.au

Singleton Library April School Holiday program

All events other than Ananse Stories are free

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To book for events or find out more about what’s happening at the library, visit
www.library.singleton.nsw.gov.au or phone 02 6578 7500.
April School Holidays at
Singleton Council Out Of School Hours
SCOOSH

Looking for safe, stimulating and fun care for your child during the April 2013 school holidays? SCOOSH offers lots of exciting holiday fun catering for children of families living or working in Singleton
SCOOSH is open 6.30am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday excluding Public Holidays
Enrolment forms, Programs and Booking forms can be found on the Singleton Council Web site/Children Services/Out Of School

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Bookings open Monday 25th March and Close Wednesday 10th April 2013
All booked children must be enrolled with Singleton Council Out Of School Hours
To be eligible children must be attending Kindergarten or primary school in 2013
Children are ineligible once they finish Primary school or attain their 13th Birthday.

For more information please contact
Singleton Council Out Of School Hours
02 65715780
oosh@singleton.nsw.gov.au

Knights Junior Holiday Clinic

Monday 22 April at Hunter Stadium for both Knights Members & non-members aged between 5-16years of age.
Your chance to learn how to kick, pass & run like your favourite knight players!
Members are free whilst non-members can attend for $50 which includes 2013 Community General Admission Junior Membership access to all Knights home games.
Registrations from 1pm in the Western Concourse with the clinic commencing at 2pm & concluding at 4pm. All participants must be pre registered
For more info phone 1300 4656 644 or www.newcastleknights.com.au