Week 4 – 6th August 2014

Sharing Our News

The countdown is now on for the King Street P&C annual Cracker Night. On Tuesday we were very fortunate to once again be the recipients of sponsorship from Singleton Diggers. Darcy Dennis and Michael Titow from Diggers visited our school to present their $3000 sponsorship to P&C Treasurer Bec Monk, Mrs Larkman and our school leaders. Without the support of local businesses and community groups such as Diggers, this wonderful night would not be the success it is. Mr Dennis spoke very highly of the evening, and how the club was proud to contribute to such a wonderful community event.

Please put the 5th September in your diaries so you are able to attend! Each class will once again be holding a stall, and the usual lollies/showbags/glo products will all be available. There will be many fun activities and good food to enjoy. Cracker Night raises in excess of $10,000 each year and as a result the P&C is able to purchase many valuable resources for your children.

If you are able to help at Cracker Night please let the P&C know by filling out the form in this newsletter. All contributions are greatly appreciated.

Darcy Dennis, Chairman of the Board of Singleton Diggers, presents Bec Monk, P&C Treasurer, a cheque to support Cracker Night 2014.

Cath Larkman
**CANTEEN ROSTER**

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**UNIFORM SHOP**

| 12/8/14 | (Tues 2-3pm) Rashmi Kulkarni |
| 14/8/14 | (Thurs 9-10am) Dawn Knight   |

**Stage Assemblies**

**Infants** (Wednesday of even weeks at 2.30pm in the Hall)
- 20th Aug 1/2T
- 3rd Sept 1GS
- 17th Sept K/1B

**Stage 2** (Wednesday of odd weeks at 2.20pm in the Hall)
- 13th August Parliamentarians
- 27th August S2M
- 10th Sept S2I

**Stage 3** (Friday of even weeks at 12.00pm in the Hall)
- 8th Aug S3G
- 22nd Aug S3A
- 5th Sept S3M
- 19th Sept S3H

**Canteen Price Changes**

Please note the following price changes now apply at the canteen:

- Milk: $1.70
- Juice: $1.40
- Pizza: $2.30
- Sausage Roll: $1.50
- Plain Cheese/Chicken Burger: $3.50
- ‘Spread’ Sandwiches (e.g. vegemite): $2.00
- Rolls and Wraps: increased by 0.40 cents

**King Street PBL Values**

At King Street we are:

Kind, Safe, Proud and Supportive.

In our classrooms we:

- **Co-operate**...always cooperate with teachers, classmates and visitors
- **Listen**...be an attentive listener for effective learning
- **Attitude**...have a positive attitude for successful learning and be proud of our work
- **Sensible**...move and behave safely in the classroom
- **Studious**...be studious and enjoy the sharing of knowledge with teachers and classmates.

At King Street Public School we have **CLASS.**

**Father's Day Stall Preparations Underway**

This week P&C representatives have begun collecting donations for the annual Father's Day stall. Donations can be at the office. Examples of gifts could include toiletries, buckets, car wash, camping items, torches etc.

The stall will be held on **Friday, 29th August** (please note it has been brought forward a week to accommodate Cracker Night).

**Fun at Active After School ‘Dancing’**

The infants students that attended last weeks Active After School Sport dancing session all appeared to have a fantastic time. It is wonderful to see so many of them being active so enthusiastically.

We have sent home notes with the children to confirm the collection arrangements for them. If all parents/carers could fill these out ASAP and return to the school it would be much appreciated. We value the safety of your children.
A Great Range of Topics in Public Speaking

On Thursday 31st July we held our stage 3 Public Speaking Competition. All speakers wrote very effective and clever speeches. Congratulations to everyone who entered the competition: Kristin C, Ashlee C, Riley W, Ewan M, Charlotte W, Kayla M, Julia S, Tori N, Beau M, and Piper F. Our winners were Riley “Are Big Brothers Superior?” and Ewan “My Holiday”.

All our KSPS stage public speaking competitions have now finished. What a great standard of orators we have! Apart from the actual addressing a public audience, the quality of writing was excellent. Congratulations to all children who participated in our school competition. You are truly fantastic King St kids! All teachers are very proud of you.

Our winners are:
ES1 Harrison M, Dakota E
S1 Jessica R, Eamon C
S2 Rishab K, Amara F
S3 Riley W, Ewan M

These students will represent our school at the Zone Public Speaking Competition at Singleton Heights Public School on Wednesday 13th August. Good luck to all of you.

Jan Hovey

Stage 2 Camp Out on Lake Macquarie

Last Wednesday Mrs Mills, Ms McLackland, Ms Collins and Mr Upcroft left King Street with 87 excited and very vocal students headed to Point Wolstoncroft on the shores of Lake Macquarie. The children were given unique opportunities to challenge themselves and others in group and individual activities such as rock climbing, the giant swing, archery and a new sport called “Sailoeing” which was essentially paddling a catamaran without a sail. Of a night time the children did not lose any of their energy as they took part serving meals, washing up and cleaning the hall before moving into more night games. Then the children marched off to bed, the lights went out and they went straight to sleep at 8pm. Or so it said in our itinerary!

Now back at school the children are buzzing with tales from camp. The teachers have collected all the photographs from this camp which will be shown as a slide show at next week's stage 2 assembly. We will also upload them on to the school website.

Success at Zone Carnival

Last Friday King Street was represented by 31 athletes at the Zone Athletics Carnival. Thank you to all students for their fantastic efforts and sportsmanship during this very windy day! We will announce Regional Carnival representatives as soon as the information becomes available.
Cracker Night 2014 - Only 4 Weeks Away!

Can you help?

The P&C would like to get an indication of volunteers that will be available to help on Cracker Night. Any time that you can offer would be much appreciated, whether you would like to help coordinate a stall or help serve for an hour. Donations of cakes and slices are also appreciated to sell at the cake stall, and any helpers during the day to set up will be put to good use!

If you are able to help with Cracker Night in any way, please fill out the following form and return to the office as soon as possible.

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Temporary Fences will be Installed this week.

As a result of our audit from local arborist Viv Bleiker there will be work commencing later this week on many trees within our grounds. At this stage 6 trees are scheduled for removal and over 20 others will be pruned to improve their overall health. As these trees are large and in different parts of our grounds several different fences will be put up in order to facilitate the safe pruning and removal of these trees. These fences may affect some areas of the school such as Harry's garden and the King Street COLA entry but access to the school through all gates will not be affected.

A Rewarding GATS Camp for Phoebe

King Street Public School was represented by 8 students at this year Hunter GATS camp, and all have returned to school very enthusiastic about their experience.

During the week students were encouraged to design a badge, and a prize was awarded to a student in each group. Art student Phoebe Q was successful in her group and was awarded a cheque for $50 as a prize.

Phoebe enjoyed the camp immensely, spending her days drawing, painting and taking part in camp activities. She met many new friends and found the week very valuable.

Donations of Clothes Appreciated

If you have any pre-loved clothing you could donate to the office it would be greatly appreciated. We are particularly in need of small sizes.
Thank You for Support with Head Lice

Head lice are an ongoing problem in all schools. Children who have head lice are not able to be excluded from school so we rely on parents treating their children straight away so this problem does not spread to the whole class. Unfortunately, some children seem to get head lice more often than others and it becomes very expensive for these families to keep treatments up.

We would appreciate it if parents could please check children for this condition regularly and treat the problem as soon as it arises.

Thank you for your support.

Student Wellbeing Important at King Street

Please be aware that we have an immuno-suppressed student in our school. If your child develops a contagious disease, please let the school know ASAP so we can act accordingly.

1GS are pleased to announce due to popular demand, ‘Boomerang Fashions’ will be held again on Cracker Night 2014!

Donations of CLEAN children’s, lady’s and men’s clothing and accessories are now being taken!

(Please, no undergarments!!)

Clothing not sold on the night will be donated to local charities.

Please give your unwanted, clean, second-hand clothing to Mrs Stretton or Mrs Griffiths as soon as possible.

Regards,

1GS

King Street is an Allergy Aware School

This is a reminder for all families that some of our students have serious reactions to products containing nuts and fish.

We ask families to carefully consider the danger that others could face if they touch or eat these products.

We ask that you please do not send foods or containers to school that contain nut or fish products.

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

- One-O-One Coffee House and Homewares
- Topshot Tenpin and Indoor Sports
- Civic Video
- Subway Restaurants

KPS NEWSLETTER

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Fresh Fruit & Vegetables

Mick & Chris’s Fruit & Vegetable Store open Fridays 
& Saturdays over the Railway Bridge on Glenridding Road.
Singleton Sound Solutions
75 John St, Singleton
Tel: 02 65 715 155

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.
Introducing

S3A’s 6 Thinking Hats

Six Thinking Hats is a time-tested, proven, and practical thinking tool. It provides a framework to help people think clearly and thoroughly by directing their thinking attention in one direction at a time—white hat facts, green hat creativity, yellow hat benefits, black cautions, red hat feelings, and blue hat process.
It’s a simple mental metaphor. Hats are easy to put on and to take off. Each hat is a different colour which signals the thinking ingredient. In a group setting each member thinks using the same thinking hat, at the same time, on the same thinking challenge—we call this focused parallel thinking.