Dear Parents/Caregivers,

In the Classroom
The students have had a wonderful start to the year and we are already well into our daily routines and programs. I would like to congratulate the students on such a settled start to the year.
If you have any old magazines, egg cartons, clean containers (any size) or any other appropriate recyclable material that we could use in the classroom for art and craft could you please bring it in to the classroom? Thank you.

Permission Notes
Please take the time to fill in the permission notes and general notes attached to the newsletter. Next week is a busy week with Song room commencing and the swimming carnival on Friday.

Swimming Carnival
On Friday 15th February the Small School Swimming Carnival will be held at Singleton Gym and Swim. All the students will be involved in the carnival at some point during the day. We will need the support of parents between 12.30-1.30pm on the day to help with timekeeping and possibly assist the younger students in the water at the beginning of their races at other times. It would be great to see as many parents supporting this as possible. The students will need to be transported to the swimming carnival by parents as we will not be taking the bus on this day. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Sustainable Garden Project
Thank you for the donations that have already come in for the garden.
We are in the process of applying for a Kitchen Garden Grant to support our healthy living policy. As part of this program Mrs Barnes will be working with the students to revitalize our Kitchen Garden. Mrs Barnes has requested donations of manure and hay to establish a good base to the garden. If you are able to bring in a donation to help you will be given a packet of seeds as a thank you.

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P&C Meeting
On Monday 11th February the first P&C meeting of the year will take place. This is a great opportunity to come along and meet other parents and see what is happening to support the students learning. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting in the staffroom on Monday 11th February commencing at 3.15pm.

Scripture
Scripture is due to start on Wednesday 20th February. This is an opportunity for your student to be involved in a non-denominational study of scriptures. The students enjoy this time and the scripture teachers follow a program approved by the Department of Education and Communities.

Regards
Kristen Kime
Principal

School Calendar

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Canteen

Many thanks to the helpers who keep the canteen open on Mondays. The students and staff appreciate your help.

Please let Margaret or Narelle know which days you can help out in Term 1.

Normal hours for the Canteen are from 9.30am to 11.40am.

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P&C News

The next P&C meeting will be held on **Mon 11\(^{th}\) Feb**, commencing at 3.15pm in the Staffroom.

Items for discussion:
* Increase in Canteen Price list, to reflect the increase in goods prices.
* Fundraising for the year
* Spending for the year.

With the Federal Election to be held on Sat Sept 14\(^{th}\), whether to have just a Cake Stall that day, or include the Family Fun Day on that day.

If you are unable to do canteen on your rostered day, please try and arrange someone to take your place or contact Narelle on 6579 4649 (before 8.00am)

Apologies for incorrect dates in last week's newsletter

Tuff Trucks will be held on 12\(^{th}\) to 14\(^{th}\) April this year, and lots of planning will help to make it a successful fundraiser for our school.

Playgroup

With the reduction in numbers of 0-5 year olds, Playgroup won't continue unless more parents express an interest in attending.

If you know anyone who is interested, please have them contact the P&C President, Christine Wyborn.
Dear Parents,

Library borrowing begins next week (week 3 of our school term). We have library every Wednesday. Your child will need to bring a library bag (this can be a homemade bag, a pillow case or a plastic bag) in order to be able to borrow a library book. Library books are allowed to be borrowed for up to 2 weeks, but I do suggest to the children to bring the book in and ask to reborrow if necessary...just so they are in the habit of bringing their library books in each week.

Library books are best to be kept in library bags when not being read. I suggest placing the bag in the same place each week at home so that it can be easily found on library day. Also if you have any interesting board games to donate to the school library, they would be much appreciated (we have had a request for 'Snakes and Ladders' and also more 'Question and Answer type games' from the children).

We are busy getting a school garden vegetable patch going at school during our 'Kitchen Garden' time. We would appreciate any donations of cow manure/horse manure/hay and thank you to those families who have already donated some. If any parents are interested in getting involved – our gardening time is 10.30am on a Wednesday .... So if you feel like helping us dig, plant, and weed we would love to see you.

Best Wishes,

Kim Barnes

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Financial Matters

In line with our School Policy, we will be requesting, with a School Invoice, a School Contribution fee of $20 per student, along with a Voluntary Contribution of $20 per student. This invoice will be sent with the next newsletter on 20th February.

This payment can be made in 1 payment of $20, or $5 per term, per student.
Singleton Junior Rugby Union

2013 Registration Information

Registration Details

All Ages

Date:  Friday 8th Feb 2013 from 5pm – 8pm @ Singleton Rugby Club

Date:  Saturday 9th Feb 2013 from 10 am – 1pm @ Singleton Rugby Club

Cost:  U7’s Saturday Competition players $60
        U8’s to U12’s $100 per player
        U13’s to U18's $110 per player

Under 8’s – Friday Night Train & Play

This is for all of our junior players under the age of 8 years, who don’t play on Saturdays.

Friday nights under lights at the Singleton Rugby Club

Cost:  $60 per player (includes a rugby ball)

Family discount available - $20 discount on 3rd and subsequent child’s registration.

All players are to bring a copy of their Birth Certificate

All Registered players will receive a Junior Club Shirt and New Club Hoodie

Merchandise will be available for correct sizing of our range of club shorts/socks/trackuits

Also available for purchase club bags/backpacks & caps

Cash & Cheques only

Competition Start Date: Saturday 6th April 2013

Website:  www.singletonjnrs.rugbynet.com.au

Email:    singletonjuniorrugby@hotmail.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/SingletonJuniorRugby

GO THE BULLS IN 2013
Team nominations will be taken on Wednesday evening 6th March at the clubrooms between 5 and 7pm for teams wanting to play in the 2013 winter netball competition. Team packs and general information can be found on the association website www.singletonnetball.com

Girls and boys turning 7 in 2013 will be able to play in the netta competition. Players 8 years and over will be eligible to play in our open age divisions.

Team packs for registration will be available on the club website at www.singletonnetball.com from 10th February. We will also take names of anyone wishing to join a team via email from this week. Email us at singletonnetball@hotmail.com and we will put your name on our list.

Registrations will also be taken for girls and boys 5, 6 or 7, interested in participating in our net set go program. The net set go program is designed to teach ball and co-ordination skills. Net set go will commence after the April school holidays. Our website will provide you with information on all of our competitions and activities programmes so please take five minutes to check it out. www.singletonnetball.com

If you have further questions please email us at singletonnetball@hotmail.com and will answer them for you.

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FAMILY LAW NETWORK AUSTRALIA

We have recently launched the website Family Law Network Australia. The website is a free information resource and referral service for family law matters. The information provided on our website could be very useful and of great benefit to the families who attend your school.

We would be most obliged if you could advise the parents and carers about our free service in your school newsletter and include a link to our website on the links page of your website.

We invite you to visit Family Law Network Australia at www.familylawmattersaustralia.com.au to assess the suitability of including our website on your links page. If you are happy to include a link to our website we would be most grateful if you do so by arranging for your webmaster to post the following code:

<a href="http://familylawmattersaustralia.com.au" title="Family Law Network Australia - Where you find information on separation and divorce, parenting arrangements, property settlement and child support">Family Law Network Australia</a>

We thank you in anticipation of your assistance and look forward to hearing from you. If you have any queries I can be contacted on 044 814 8145.

Best regards

Julie Dye

FAMILY LAW NETWORK AUSTRALIA

T: 1300 664 868

PO Box 10, Claremont WA 6910

www.familylawmattersaustralia.com.au
2013 GENERAL PERMISSION FORMS—please complete a form for each child

Student’s Name: .................................................................Class: Milbrodale

Parent/Carer’s Name (please print) ..............................................................

Parents/caregivers are asked to complete this form and return it to their child’s teacher. These permission notes will be kept on file and remain valid for 2012. In general, you will be informed of any walking excursions that are planned. Should you wish to revoke your permission in the future, you are asked to write a letter to Miss Kime.

WALKING EXCURSION

I give permission for my child to participate in local excursions within walking distances of Milbrodale Public School. I understand the Principal will have approved the activity before it takes place.

Parent/Carer’s Signature: .................................................................

Date: ..............................

Publication of Child’s Photograph or Work

I give permission for my child’s photograph or work to be displayed/published in the school or in media publications showing school activities. This may include the printing of name under photographs. I approve of the use of such material to promote Milbrodale Public School.

Parent/Carer’s Signature: .................................................................

Date: ..............................

Publication of Child’s Photograph or Work on the School Web Site

I give permission for my child’s photograph and/or work to be displayed on the school web site. Children’s names will not be included with photographs.

Parent/Carer’s Signature: .................................................................

Date: ..............................
Internet Contract

Internet access at school is a privilege, not a right. Inappropriate use and access will result in restriction and/or termination of this privilege.

I agree that my child should abide by the conditions of responsible use of Internet access. I understand and accept that this privilege may be withdrawn if he/she does not abide by the terms and conditions of use. I understand that this note must be signed and returned to school if my child is to use the Internet.

Parent/Carer's Signature

Date:

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The Department of Education and Training instructs all schools to teach Child Protection lessons from Kindergarten to Year 6. Areas include self-esteem, communication, assertiveness, preventing child sexual assault and drug education. These are all important, essential components of student development and understanding. If you have any concerns about the content contact your child's teacher. Precise anatomical terms for private body parts may be used in lessons. If you don’t wish your child to participate in these lessons please advise the school in writing. I agree for my child to be included in Milbrodale Public School's Personal Development Program.

Parent/Carer’s Signature

Date: