We were proud to compete in the Small Schools Swimming Carnival on Friday and there was a high rate of participation by students who attended. The facilities at Singleton Swim and Gym are outstanding and we’re fortunate to be able to access them. Thank you to the families who transported their children to the venue and stayed to support the efforts of our students.

Last week representatives including a Heritage Specialist and an Engineer from the Public Works Minister’s Stone Program, visited the school and we talked at length about the future for the heritage-listed buildings at our School. A full report will be released shortly but I can tell you that one of the projects will be to stabilise our two beautiful chimneys. The representatives are keen for community dialogue once the report is released.

I’m looking forward to meeting families during the next three weeks, when we will share in the development of Personalised Learning Plans for students. Please call Mel in the office to secure your appointment time.
Our first weeks in pictures...

It’s been a great start to the term and everyone seems happy to be here. Our school has a wonderful outdoors environment and we’ll be working towards enhancing what we have. Our classrooms are busy, happy-noise places of learning and I welcome your visit at any time.

This weeks’ learning...

**Mathematics:** The whole school focus this week is addition and subtraction and we will review strategies for adding on, and also for counting back. Students in Years 2-6 will be exploring number sentences and algorithms.

**English:** Phonemic awareness and the understanding of sounds is an integral skill for reading, spelling and writing, and Miss Ross will continue to focus on phonics in her class. As well as core spelling words, Years 2-5 will be practising high frequency words, and Year 6 will tackle some challenge words.

**Science:** In our investigation of weather, we will be looking at some of the extreme weather events across the planet.

**Art:** We will be taking the i-pads outside to photograph elements of the history of our buildings.

**PBL Lesson:** In reviewing the key values of our school, discussion will centre around the aspect of RE-SPECT that is evident in safe behaviour in the playground.
The Dinosaurs are coming to Bunnings!

Date: Saturday 15th February
Time: 9am - Noon
Come along and interact with these amazing dinosaurs with such realistic movements and sounds that you’ll be wondering if dinosaurs really are extinct.

There is a baby T-Rex. The kids can have a photo taken with them. (No charge, you just use your own cameras). There will be a fossil dig and other fun stuff related to dinosaurs for the kids as well.

Daltyn won 3 ribbons on the day.

Anna lining up for next race with competitors from other schools.

Ms Issabella Berrigan showing us how to do it

Enroll NOW!

Tennis Coaching

Hotshots 3-9yrs 4:00-4:45pm $11/Wk
Hotshots 8-14yrs 4:45-5:45pm $16/Wk
Junior Squad 14-18yrs 5:45-7:00pm $13/Wk
Friday Comp ALL WELCOME 4:00-6:00pm

Hotshots use bigger, softer tennis balls and modified racquets so beginners can rally straight away!

Enjoy a fun night of D.I.Y. workshops with special guest Barry Du Bois, builder from ‘The Living Room’. For more information please call 6575 9800 or ask at the service desk.

Cnr New England Hwy & Magpie St, Singleton

Free Voucher simply bring this voucher is to Bunnings Singleton, and enjoy a coffee on us. We’re at Cnr New England Hwy & Magpie St, Singleton. Voucher must be surrendered at counter, one voucher per customer.

You’re invited to our free Ladies D.I.Y. Night”
Community Roundup

The Jerrys Plains School of Arts Hall Committee will meet at 6.30pm on Wednesday February, 12th 2014. We need your input to make sure that we make the best use of this valuable community asset.

P&C News
Our P&C Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 13th, February 2014 at 3.30pm. At the AGM all positions will be declared vacant. Our first P&C meeting for 2014 will follow the AGM. Our meetings are held in the school office building. All parents and caregivers and interested family and community members are more than welcome to attend our P&C meetings. We look forward to seeing you there!

Jerrys Plains Community Dance - Claim the Date
DATE: Saturday, 22nd March, 2014
BAND: MOJO
VENUE: Jerrys Plains Hall

More Details Soon

A Social Worker will also be available.

The Mobile Service Centres are equipped with:
- a soundproof interview room
- a soundproof Australian Hearing testing room
- service/assistance desks
- a waiting area
- a publication display area
- self-service computer access
- LCD display screens
- disabled access
wireless IT connectivity for greater servicing flexibility.

Facts about the Dairy Industry
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