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## LIVE – LEARN – CARE

## Principal's Message

What a huge week at Seaham Public School. Our major fundraiser, 'The FETE' is on tomorrow and it is always a huge, successful event. I will save my specific thanks until next week, however I would like to wish the Fete Committee all the best for tomorrow and thank them for all their efforts. Organising a Fete is a huge task particularly as we rely on volunteers to organise things in their own time.

Our teacher representative on the Fete committee, Mrs Imber, has also worked extremely hard to ensure Seaham School staff and students are prepared for this massive event.

**Staff News:** We have had some staff changes in our front office recently. Shelley Neilson has been a major asset in our office for a long period of time. We farewell Shelley this year as she takes up a new position in 2018 as Administrative Manager at Hunter River Community School. We wish her all the best and thank her for her dedicated service to Seaham School.



**Year Four STEM Day:** On Wednesday our Year 4 girls attended a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) day at Hunter River High School. By all accounts the girls had a great day and excelled in all the challenges. A recount of the day is on page 4. Thank you to Hunter River High for the opportunity.

**Fete:** Please make sure you read page 3 of this newsletter for final Fete information and donations that are needed urgently.

**Reminder: No Canteen tomorrow (Friday) & Out of Uniform Day.**

**Year 7 Selective High School for 2019:** Application website is now open for families in Year 5, who maybe interested in applying to a selective high school for 2019. Applications need to be submitted by 13 November 2017. Families can access more information and apply online at the following link: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>. If you would like

to discuss this further, please contact the office to make arrangements to speak with Mr Partridge.

**Stage 3 Canberra Excursion:** Students from our school will soon be undertaking an educational tour of the national capital. Our students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government will be contributing funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. We wish to advise families that this rebate was taken into account when the excursion was costed, therefore families were advised of a cost with rebate already deducted. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Due to enrolled children's life threatening Anaphylactic Allergic reactions to all nuts and peanut products, we would like to encourage families not to send these products to school with their children. These include peanut butter, nutella, sesame seeds, loose nuts, muesli, nut or chocolate bars or any products containing any type of nuts. We appreciate your support in this matter.

Dates For Diaries  
2017

Monday 23 October—20 November 5 week Kindergarten Orientation
Friday 3 November School Fete
Tuesday-Friday 7/10 November Stage 3 Canberra Excursion
Tuesday 5 December Orientation Days for High School
Wednesday 6 December Night School Presentation
Tuesday 12 December Year 6 Farewell
Friday 15 December End of Term 4 for students only

## 2018

Tuesday 30 January Years 1-6 Commence School
Friday 2 February Kindergarten Commence School
Tuesday 6 February Swimming Carnival Yrs 3-6
Wednesday 11 April School Photos
August 13-14 Teen Talk Years 5&6
October 22-24

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**100 Club:** Numbers are \$3 each. Cash prize of \$100. Tickets can be purchased per cash, cheque or through P.O.P.

**Barrow of Booze to the value of \$400:** **The DoE Legal Department has confirmed that our Fete committee can raffle off the alcohol donated by the Junction Inn.** Conditions of this raffle include that the person/s accepting the winning prize must be over 18 years of age. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. **Giant Raffle Tickets:** Over 30 prizes to be won. Tickets are \$2 per ticket or 3 for \$5. Tickets can be purchased per cash, cheque or through P.O.P.

**CRF110F Mini Bike: Drawn 3 November** - Tickets are \$25 per ticket and can be purchased by cash, cheque or on P.O.P.



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## Wanted Urgently

- Blocks of chocolate (nut free)
- Plants
- Bottle of green or pink fizzy drink
- Homemade goodies. Some popular items from previous fetes are cupcakes, butterfly cakes, coconut ice, toffees, slices, cake pops, cookies and cakes of any kind. **We ask that all items be clearly labelled with a list of ingredients. If it doesn't have ingredients listed unfortunately we won't be able to sell that item.**
- All cakes are to be brought in on the day of the Fete. Could you please bring them in ready for individual sale. We are so grateful for your effort and hope the 2018 Fete is a huge success for our fantastic school.
- Also, please consider buying a ticket for the Motorbike Raffle. There are still plenty of tickets available, so you have a greater chance of winning this amazing prize.

Cheerstarz have informed us that they will be opening our school hall from 3pm for performers and their parents **ONLY** in order to give them a place to get changed and apply makeup, hair etc. Once your performance is over, remember to get changed back into your play clothes. No Cheerstarz uniforms to be worn after the performance. You are requested to be there at 3.30pm to rehearse.

Performance 4.30pm—5.00pm

If you want to relax and enjoy yourself, put in your blankets and folding chairs.

If you have volunteered for a time slot at our Fete, you would have received a note confirming the details. Please let us know if you have any issues or did not receive confirmation. Thank you so much for your assistance.

A very big thank you to Tracey Jacobs and St. George for their amazing help and support with our Fete. Their contribution towards the Fete refreshments is greatly appreciated and will help ensure that our Fete is a major success. On behalf our School Learning Community, once again thank you.

**Canteen News:** Fresh Fruit Salad Tubs will be available at our school canteen for \$2. Limited daily numbers will be available. Don't miss out on this yummy and nutritious snack.

**School Sport:** Sport from weeks 5-10 will be Thursdays for KLS, 1/2D, 1/2M and 2/3I. Sport for 3/4A, 3/4B, 5/6B & 5/6E will be Fridays.

**Are you not returning to Seaham Public in 2018?** If you will not be returning to Seaham Public next year, please contact our school office. Preparations are underway for classes for next year and therefore it is vital to have this information.

**Perpetual Trophies:** Preparations are underway for our end of year presentation. All perpetual trophies need to be returned to our school office at your earliest convenience. Thanking you in advance.

**Fete Arrangements for Students:** Notes should have been sent back to school about the Fete arrangements for children. If you have not returned your note, please do so tomorrow as a matter of urgency. Fete afternoon is very hectic and we need your assistance to make sure all children are where they should be. The note is attached to our newsletter for those families that may not have received it or misplaced it.

**Playground Arrangements for Fete Day:** Wet weather duty will be taking place on Friday to allow our stalls and volunteers to set up for the Fete. Vehicles will be coming and going, therefore wet weather duty is the best option to ensure the safety of our students.



**Do you arrive late to school?** Just a friendly reminder to our families that if students are arriving at school after 9am and the morning assembly is over, a late note must be obtained from the school office. Parents are expected to accompany their child/ren to the office and give an explanation. We understand that sometimes families are running late and this may not be possible. If this is the case, please call the school office and advise that your child is late and will need a late note. Departmental Policy and Audit requirements requires schools to send out unexplained notes to families where this does not happen. We apologise for any distress this causes, and we understand that you may think only being 5 mins late does not constitute a letter, however it is a process that we must do and have evidence of having done.

**Office will be closed Tuesday mornings from 8.30am-9.00am:** Our school office will be closed on Tuesday mornings from 8:30am-9:00am. All emergencies can be directed to the teacher on playground duty. If calling our school during this time, an answering machine is available to take your details and message. We will call you back if needed after 9.00am.

## Canteen Roster

Monday 6 November Alison Taylor
Tuesday 7 November Kate & Lucy O'Brien
Wednesday 8 November Chrissy Olive Volunteer Needed 9am-11am
Thursday 9 November Jess Strachan
Friday 10 November Kate Davies
Monday 13 November Sandra Batchelor
Tuesday 14 November Annette Harding
Wednesday 15 November Leanne & Colleen Cox
Thursday 16 November Leanne Sullivan
Friday 17 November Chrissy Olive

## Year 4 STEM Day at Hunter

**River:** Yesterday, the Year 4 girls went to a Stem Day at Hunter River High School along with other girls from partner schools. Seaham students were divided into two groups. Each group had a robot to drive around, a driving course and a mini parking lot. We successfully programmed our robot to drive around and park in the parking lot. We were the only group to do this; the other group came very close. Our parents had the opportunity to come and view our hard work at the end of the day. It was great fun and we all had a great day. **Jacinta and Sophie**



## Goodbye Year Six



**Veronica Nunan:** Veronica will be attending Dungog High School in 2018. Veronica has decided she would love to work with animals when she is older. Veronica's favourite movie is Pitch Perfect 2 and Heartland is her favourite TV show. Veronica's favourite accessory is her glasses and chocolate is her most loved food. Veronica loves to play netball and aqua is her favoured colour. Veronica's proudest moment at Seaham Public School has been being elected House Captain for Carmichael. Tahlia, Ivye, Rebecca, Brylee, Charlotte R, Charlotte W, Breanna, Ellie, Ada, Bridie, Allana and Kanye have been some of Veronica's closest friends during Year 6.

**Charlotte Renshaw:** Charlotte will be attending St Bede's Catholic College in 2018. Charlotte would like to become a personal trainer when she grows up. Charlotte's favourite movie is Twilight and Home and Away is her favourite TV show. Dogs are Charlotte's most loved animal and aqua and orange are her favourite colours, along with her cheer bows and iPad being her most treasured possessions. Charlotte's proudest moment at Seaham Public School has been becoming House Captain for Dixon. Ivye, Brylee, Rebecca and Charlotte F have been some of Charlotte's closest friends during Year 6.

**Brylee Brown:** Brylee will be attending Dungog High School in 2018. Brylee has a great perspective on life and would just like to be successful. Brylee's favourite movie is Twilight and Pretty Little Liars is her favourite TV show. Monkeys are Brylee's most loved animal and blue is her favourite colour. Brylee loves to play Pictionary and her iPad and tablet are her most treasured possessions. Brylee's proudest moment at Seaham Public School has been elected as School Captain for 2017. Charlotte F, Breanna, Tahlia, Charlotte R, Ivye, Archie, Harper, Shaun and Kye have been some of Brylee's closest friends during Year 6.

# 100 Club—Ticket Options—Get in quick, numbers will sell out fast! \$3 per ticket

Name/s	Class	Preferred Number/s	If number is not available I give permission for alternate number to be issued—Please circle	Payment of cash/cheque enclosed \$	Paid \$ per P.O.P.
			Yes/No		
			Yes/No		
			Yes/No		

## Barrow of Booze Raffle Tickets—tickets will be allocated upon payment

Name	Contact Number	Tickets \$2 each or 3 for \$5 Number of tickets required Raffle to the value of \$400	Payment of cash/cheque enclosed \$	Paid \$ per P.O.P.	Student at Seaham PS (Name)

## Fete Raffle - Prize: CRF110F, Mini Bike:

Drawn: 3 November 2017

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Oldest Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of tickets: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Cash/Cheque enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Paid on P.O.P. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Tickets will be allocated upon payment.



## Giant Raffle—Over 30 prizes to be won - Tickets \$2 per ticket or 3 for \$5

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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## SEAHAM SCHOOL FETE Friday 3 November, 2017

### STUDENT TRAVEL AND CARE ARRANGEMENTS ON FETE DAY

Dear Families

Please complete the details below and tick the arrangements that apply for your child/ren on Fete Day:

FAMILY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Child/ren	_____	Class	_____
	_____	Class	_____
	_____	Class	_____
	_____	Class	_____

- ☐ My child/ren are to catch the bus home as normal.
- ☐ I will be picking up my child/ren from school at the normal time.
- ☐ I would like my child/ren to stay at school until I arrive for the fete between 2.30-3.00pm
- ☐ I have made arrangements for the following person/s \_\_\_\_\_ to mind my child/ren while they are at the fete and they will be responsible for my child/ren until I arrive.
- ☐ Other arrangements as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent/Carer)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE ENSURE THAT THIS NOTE IS RETURNED  
TO CLASS TEACHER NO LATER THAN  
THURSDAY 2 November, 2017**

### REMINDERS

- ♦ Canteen will NOT operate on Fete Day, Friday 3 November, 2017
- ♦ Out of Uniform Day