



14 December 2017

LIVE – LEARN – CARE**Principal's Message**

As this will be our last newsletter for the year, I would like to wish all in the Seaham Community a very Merry Christmas and prosperous New Year. To all staff at Seaham, both teaching and non teaching, thank you so much for your dedication and commitment to providing the best outcomes for each and every student. Just a reminder that teaching staff have completed additional professional learning throughout the year and are not required to be at school next Monday and Tuesday. The school office will be open on these days if you have any questions. If you wish to make contact with me next week, please pass on your message to Mrs Butler in the office.

I am travelling overseas on Sunday and will respond to emails and messages when I am able to.

Classes 2018: Classes are in the process of being finalised for 2018. This is a huge job and teachers think long and hard about the best placement for your child. At times families have requests and we do our best to accommodate these, however in a smaller school some of these options are limited. In my experience children who are pushed a little outside of their comfort zone build up their resilience and are better equipped to cope when they are faced with larger issues.

I will not formally publish all teaching positions in this newsletter for 2018. We are still finalising one temporary classroom position and the support teacher position for next year. Our numbers are also in that zone where, potentially a classroom position could disappear if we drop below the cap to hold 8 classes. We will certainly know more come day one, 2018. Thanks again for your support and I look forward to seeing you all again in the New Year.

Parent Helper Thank You: Friday 15 December, Seaham Staff will be hosting a parent thank you in the library from 1.00pm–1.30pm. If you have helped out throughout the year in any small way, from classroom groups, canteen, banking, book club, sport, book covering, P&C or any other activity, please come along and join us in saying thank you. After the afternoon tea, the annual talent quest will be taking place in the school hall for your entertainment.

Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) Overnight Excursion 2018: If your child/ren will be in Years 3 & 4 next year, please make note of the following overnight excursion details. Notes will be forwarded home to families in Week 1, Term 1 to allow families to begin to make payments. We understand that the beginning of the school year is very hectic and can be expensive, so if you would like to make any payments in advance over the next week, you are welcome to do so.

Where: Aussie Bush Camp

When: Monday 26 March – Tuesday 27 March 2018 (Week 9, Term 1)

Approximate Cost: \$230 including camp & bus, for your budgeting purposes

Uniform: Uniform orders to be picked up from the school office no later than tomorrow, 15 December 2017.

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**

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 Years 3-6

Monday & Tuesday 26-27 March
Overnight Camp to GABC Years 3&4

Wednesday 11 April
School Photos

August 13-14
Teen Talk Years 5&6

October 22-24
Point Wolstoncroft Years 5&6

- ♦ **Canteen:** Canteen will be shut Week 1, of 2018 for restocking and will reopen Week 2 of 2018.
- ♦ Please find attached to this newsletter, the Canteen Roster for Term 1. If your allotted day does not suit, please contact Alison Taylor on 4996 4540. As you will notice, there are many vacancies that need to be filled to enable the school canteen to operate. Please contact Peta Salter on 0403 276 880 or Alison Taylor on 4996 4540.

Presentation: Apologies to Matthew Edwards for the error in last week's newsletter. Matthew was the proud recipient of the Premier's Sporting Medal for 2017. Congratulations Matthew.

Ringling of the Bell to Farewell Year 6: On Friday 15 December, we will say goodbye to another group of students. Families and friends are welcome to attend this emotional afternoon from 2.40pm.

Thank You: I would like to sincerely thank our families and students for their well wishes and gifts over the past few weeks. It has been a privilege to work at Seaham Public School over the past 11 years. It has been a major part of my life and I will miss each and every one of you. I would also like to thank the P&C for their beautiful gift. It has been lovely to work in collaboration with many committees over my time here. To Mark & Alison, Pennie and the rest of the committee, good luck for 2018. Your dedication to our beautiful school is very unique.

Finally to the staff, thank you for being a part of my working life at Seaham. It has been a pleasure to work with you all. Thank you for the beautiful gift, I will always treasure it and remember you all fondly. **Shelley Neilson**

Year 6 Farewell: Our annual Year Six Farewell was held on Tuesday. It is always with mixed emotions that we celebrate this night. We are excited to have been a part of the growth and development of our students and sad to say goodbye.

Thank you to our Year 5 families for their commitment to our hall decorations and the supper that was provided.

Thank you once again to Michelle Daskalovski for her wonderful cake which again was beautiful. As always it is always a shame to cut into the cake, however once we do we are always so glad to have done so, as it was truly delicious. Thank you Michelle, I'm sure we cannot appreciate how much time and effort goes into delivering this cake for our students.



Canteen Roster

**Canteen Closed Term 1,
Week 1 of 2018 for
restocking purposes**

Monday 5 February

Alison Taylor
Nat Meehan

Tuesday 6 February

Jess Strachan
(Swimming Carnival)

Wednesday 7 February

Karen Codrington

Thursday 8 February

Peta Salter

Friday 9 February

Kate Davies

Monday 12 February

Alison Drew

Tuesday 13 February

Lucy O'Brien

Wednesday 14 February

Chrissy Olive

Thursday 15 February

Kellie O'Hare

Friday 16 February

Kate Davies

Monday 19 February

Kelly Laver

Tuesday 20 February

Peta Salter

Wednesday 21 February

Leanne Cox
Colleen Cox

Thursday 22 February

Annette Harding
Jade Roberts

Friday 23 February

Chrissy Olive

Christmas Craft: Have you paid your Christmas Craft? It would be appreciated if families could make a \$4 donation to their class teacher to help assist with this expense.

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.

PBL Water Day



PBL Water Day: What fun was had on Monday with the final reward for all of our PBL Badge recipients for 2017. Well done to all students for their hard work and dedication during the year. Next year the process starts all over again and we know each and every student will strive to be

Respectful
Responsible
Learners



Year 6 Farewell



We would like to wish a final goodbye and good luck to our Year 6 students. As many of you move in different directions at high school, we sincerely hope that you remember your days at Seaham Public School fondly. We look forward to hopefully seeing you all back at our next school fete.





Canteen Roster - Term One 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday 29
29 January Closed	30 January Closed	31 January Closed	1 February Closed	2 February Closed
5 February Alison Taylor Nat Meehan	6 February Jess Strachan (Swimming Carnival)	7 February Karen Codrington	8 February Peta Salter	9 February Kate Davies
12 February Alison Drew	13 February Lucy O'Brien	14 February Chrissy Olive	15 February Kellie O'Hare	16 February Kate Davies
19 February Kelly Laver	20 February Peta Salter	21 February Leanne Cox Colleen Cox	22 February Annette Harding Jade Roberts	23 February Chrissy Olive
26 February	27 February	28 February Chrissy Olive	1 March	2 March
5 March Renaë Armitage	6 March	7 March Chrissy Olive	8 March	9 March
12 March	13 March	14 March	15 March	16 March
19 March	20 March Lucy O'Brien	21 March	22 March	23 March
26 March	27 March	28 March	29 March	30 March
2 April Easter Monday	3 April	4 April	5 April	6 April Good Friday
9 April	10 April	11 April	12 April	13 April

Mon, Wed, Friday @9.00am Tue, Thur @1.00pm

Please call Peta on 0403 276 880 or Alison on 4996 4540 for more details.