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## Principal's Message

Welcome to another busy and exciting week at Seaham Public School. Next week, Years Three and Five will complete the NAPLAN assessment on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Attendance is very important during NAPLAN. If you have any concerns or questions about NAPLAN please contact the school before next Tuesday. NAPLAN is just one part of our school assessment. Later in the year we will be participating in a practice for NAPLAN online. If all goes well NAPLAN assessment will be completed by all students online.

**Public Speaking:** Our public speaking competition is about to kick off. Students will receive the competition details as part of their homework. We then have class, stage and school finals before our winners move onto competition against students from other schools. Good luck to all. We always have some brilliant public speakers and I am looking forward to hearing our finalists for 2017.

**After School Care:** Karen from After School Care will continue the service until Port Stephens Council take over in early June. There are available vacancies for those families that require placement.

**PBL:** We are hoping to hold parent sessions where we share PBL information. Firstly we would like to know from families what times would be suitable for these sessions. There is a PBL survey on Skoolbag asking families to indicate what times would be suitable for you to attend a PBL workshop. It would be appreciated if you could please take a minute to look on Skoolbag and reply.

**Private Travel:** We are always trying to simplify procedures for our families. After recent discussion with our legal branch, we will now be including on permission notes that involve private vehicle transport, sections where you will complete your registration and licence details. This information is required each and every time as vehicles and information change. This will eliminate having to provide paperwork to our office. We would recommend that you take a screen shot of your registration and licence to have on hand if periodically we need to site them (auditors/legal requirement) and you do not have your wallet.

**Athletics Carnival:** Thank you for your understanding and patience regarding the cancellation of our carnival. New date will be advised as soon as it comes to hand. New permission notes will be forwarded home and need to be completed to reflect the new date.



## Dates For Diaries

2017

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8, 9 & 10 May NAPLAN
Friday 12 May Zone Cross Country
Tuesday 16 May PBL Assembly
Friday 19 May Stage 1 Excursion Tocal PSSA Soccer Trials
Thursday & Friday 25/26 May Stage 2 Camp
Friday 26 May PSSA Netball Zone Trials
Friday 2 June Hunter Cross Country Stage 1 Swimming commences
Monday 12 June Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Tuesday 27 June School Disco
Wednesday-Friday 28/29/30 June Life Education Program
Friday 30 June End of Term 2
Tuesday-Friday 7/10 November Stage 3 Canberra Excursion
Tuesday 5 December Orientation Days for High School
Friday 15 December End of Term 4 for students only

## Golden Egg Token Winners:

(K-2) Laura Moir  
(3-6) Amy Richens

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.

**Canteen News:** All canteen orders now need to be placed in the red basket in our school foyer. If you could please assist us to remind the children. Canteen Volunteers are desperately needed for Wednesday and Fridays. If you think you can help, please contact Peta on 0403 276 880 or Alison on 4996 4540 for more.

**School Fete: Claim the date—Friday 3 November.** There are a small group of willing volunteers to help get things started with the assistance of previous Fete organisers. If you would like to assist in any way, small or large, we would love to have more volunteers involved. It is a great opportunity to do something for your child's school and also meet other members of the school community. Please see the fete survey at the back of today's newsletter and also available on skoolbag, so that meeting dates for the organisation of this fete can be advised.

**School Uniform Survey:** Our school uniform coordinator would like to receive some feedback in relation to the boys school uniform. If you could please complete the survey that is also at the back of today's newsletter and also on skoolbag and return it to our school office by Friday 12 May this would be appreciated. The survey will be collated and taken back to our P&C committee.

**Sydney Overnight Excursion Stage 3 and 4:** Permission notes and the medical forms for this upcoming excursion on 25 & 26 May, have gone home this week. They are also available in e-form on skoolbag if you prefer to digitally return these completed forms to the school .

**Oakvale Excursion Kindergarten:** Permission notes have been forwarded home today for the upcoming Kindy excursion to Oakvale Farm on Friday 26 May, 2017. Cost of excursion will be \$32.

**Absentee Letters:** Our data program generates absentee attendance letters to families for any outstanding unexplained partial or whole day student absences. These letters will be going home this week which show any outstanding absences on our system for the year to date. Please complete and return if you have not yet explained to the school your child's absence. Perhaps you may of previously advised the school and it has been missed. We apologise in advance for this. Sometimes with the hectic nature of school life, things get missed. Please note family holidays remain as unjustified as an explanation however we do keep record (on special request leave forms ie. planned absences), if explanation is called upon by Home School Liaison Officer. If you have not completed the travel or planned absence forms you will receive an absentee letter. These planned absence forms are attached to newsletter if required in the future or alternatively they are on Skoolbag or our Website. Please do not take offence to these letters, they are strictly a procedural generation that takes place. Thanks in advance for your cooperation and understanding.

**Tip:** If you do not accompany your child into the office for a late note, please call us so it can be recorded as a justified lateness.

### **Knights Knockout Rugby League**

**Competition:** A team from Seaham School has participated today in this knockout competition and we look forward to hearing about the day in next week's newsletter. Hot off the Press! They have made the finals. We have included here a photo of some very keen faces.

**Cross Country:** A report showing results of the school cross country will also be included in next week's newsletter.

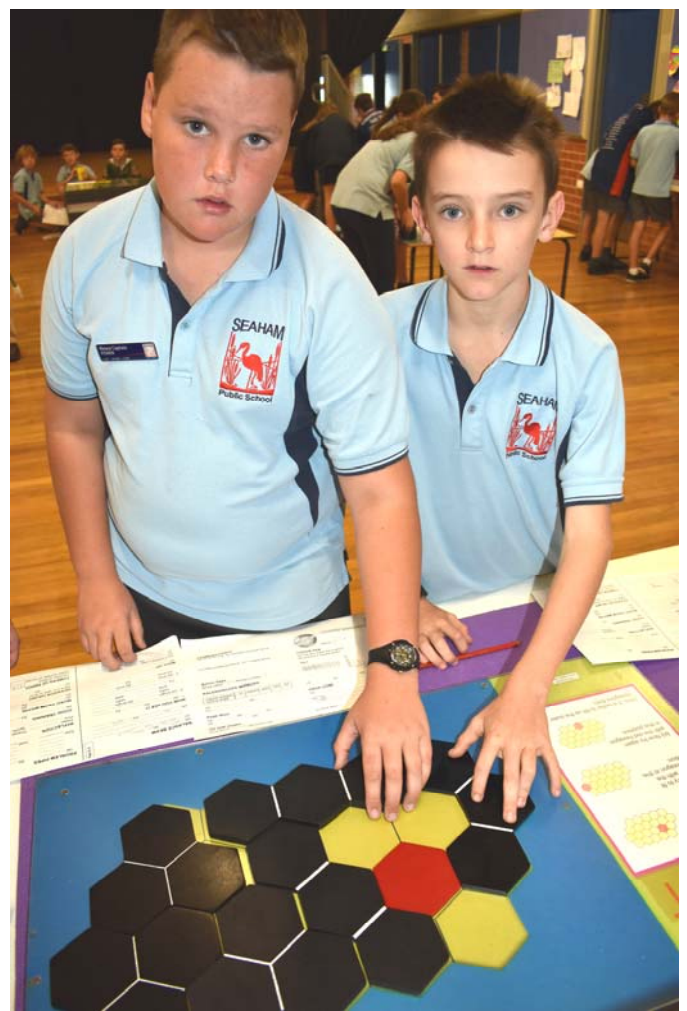
### **Canteen Roster 2017**

Friday 5 May Mel Armer Erin Bobako
Monday 8 May Alison Drew
Tuesday 9 May Julie-Anne Grono
Wednesday 10 May Karen Codrington Angela Bowden
Thursday 11 May Jessica Strachan
Friday 12 May Kate Davies



**World of Maths:** World of Maths held a wonderful Roadshow on Monday where students had the opportunity to enjoy lots of fun activities. Students loved problem solving with lots of hands on activities.

Students were engaged for the whole session building skills working in a team and finding answers to real life problems. **Mrs Bowman**





## World of Maths



## **Seaham Public School FETE**

**Friday 3 November, 2017**

We have finally set a date for the Fete! Friday 3 November, 2017. We don't have a Fete coordinator as yet, however there is a small group of willing volunteers to get things started with the assistance of previous Fete organisers. (Also available on Skoolbag)

If you would like to get involved in this wonderful school community event, please complete the below and return to the school office by Tuesday 9 May, 2017. This major fundraising event is vital to our school.

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

Contact No: \_\_\_\_\_

Eldest Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

What day would suit you best to attend Fete meetings? \_\_\_\_\_

What time would suit you best to attend meetings? \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Seaham Public School Boys Uniform Survey**

(Survey will also be available on Skoolbag) Our school uniform coordinator would like our families to please complete the below survey in relation to boys uniform and return to our school office by Friday 12 May, 2017. The survey will be collated and taken back to our P&C.

Boys shorts to be changed to Navy Blue (instead of grey shorts) Yes/No \_\_\_\_\_

Boys socks to be white (instead of grey) Yes/No \_\_\_\_\_

# Planned Absences

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

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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