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Principal's Message

Welcome everyone to another fantastic learning week at Seaham Public School. It is certainly a hectic time at the moment with many school activities occurring outside our school gates. As you read this, Stage Two are touring through Sydney and learning lots about the historical and not so historical areas of Australia's largest city. Mrs Bowman, Ms Atchison, Mrs Imber and Mrs Stulz have reported a fantastic first day, before what will be a very restful night I'm sure.

After School Care: As reported earlier we are very grateful to have Port Stephens Council taking over our after school care. We are also very grateful that Karen has continued to run the service up until that changeover time. I know that our families really appreciate what you have done Karen, not only to continue the service but for your many years of serving our community in the past. This coming Monday, our new providers are hosting a meeting in our school hall commencing at 5:15pm. The purpose is to meet our new providers and to have any questions about the new service answered. All families are welcome to attend.

Cancer Council Workshop: We also have a free workshop happening in our library on Friday, June 2. The workshop run by the Cancer Council is all about fruit and vegies and how you can cleverly increase the amount of healthy food your child is eating. The workshop runs from 9am to 10:30am with a free recipe book given to all who attend.

Swimming Program: Our fantastic 'Balance' swimming scheme kicks off next Friday, 2 June. The first five weeks of the program is for students in Years One & Two. At this stage we have 35 students attending. There are still a few vacancies left, so please contact the office if you require another form. This year it is important that students attending have their own goggles and swimming cap. Please contact the office if this is a problem.

Emergency Contact for Excursions: If you need to contact staff on excursions for an urgent matters only, you may do so on a school mobile number : 0484 766 017. For overnight excursions, it is helpful to remember that it is an opportunity to build on the resilience and confidence of our students. Unnecessary calls could be unsettling and bring on homesickness.



Dates For Diaries

2017

Thursday & Friday 25/26 May Stage 2 Camp
Friday 26 May PSSA Netball Zone Trials
Tuesday 30 May Boys Soccer at Clarence Town
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
Friday 3 November School Fete
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) Mystique Cobb

(3-6) Shae-Arn McCulloch

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.

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.

Canteen Orders: Please note that canteen lunch orders can now be placed back into the shute of the canteen wall.

Canteen Pie Drive: To be returned by Tuesday 30 May 2017.

Please find the canteen pie drive order form attached to today's newsletter, on skoolbag and on our school website.

Biannual School Fete: Friday 3 November 2017. Please be aware that a blue fete note went home asking for feedback on the different ways that the school community could assist with the school fete. Please complete and return this note. This information can also be submitted electronically on skoolbag. Look for the e-form "School Fete—Help Needed".

Fete News/Updates: Will be shown on page 3 of the school newsletter to keep the school community informed and involved in this important fundraising event for our school.

Free Fruit & Veg Workshop: Free Fruit and Veg Sense Workshop in school library on Friday, 2 June between 9-10.30am. Flyers have gone home with students. Free recipe book included. Register your place on or

before Tuesday 30 May with the school office. Please note registration can be digitally sent through to the office by the Skoolbag app if you would prefer.

Life Education: 28-30 June. The Life Education Bus will be visiting our school once again. Cost for this Educational Program is \$10. Please know that this fee was included in the first invoice at the beginning of the year.

Family statements: Family statements will be going home next week in which you will see if this fee is still outstanding. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all who have made payments towards their accounts. If you have any concerns regarding your account, please contact our office.

Seaham OOSH Parent Information Night: Monday 29 May 2017 at 5:15pm at Seaham Public School Hall. Children's Services staff will be present to inform you on the changes happening with your After School Care Service. There will be information on fees, enrolment procedures and to answer any questions. Refreshments will be provided from 5pm.

Beanie Day: We would like to thank all those who supported our Beanie for Brain Cancer Day. We raised \$227.05 from our gold coin donations. This will be sent to the Mark Hughes Foundation to help raise funds for research into brain cancer. Photos of our Beanie Day can be seen on page 5.

Star Struck 2017: Selected students have been travelling to Newcastle to rehearse for the upcoming performance of Star Struck. Photos of the rehearsals will be published in next week's newsletter.

Photo Gallery: The photo gallery is being updated on our school website, with recent photos of our many fun and educational school events. Keep a look out!

Year 5 Stem Day: STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics). On Tuesday 23 May, nine Year 5 students travelled to HRHS for the Year 5 Stem Day. Travis Charlton, Zachery Tomkins, Ben Moroney, Maclean Davis and Matthew McDonald formed a boys group to verse the girls. The girls were Bridie Gillon, Isis Sullivan, Jessica Jacobs and Ella Lucas. We all attempted to make bottle rockets. The boys rockets flew 78m in practice, but the final flight was 61m. The girls rocket flew 43m. Everybody who attended had a fantastic time. The boys came 2nd place to Karuah. Sadly they just missed out on regionals.—By **Bridie Gillon and Travis Charlton.**

Canteen Roster 2017

Friday 26 May Melissa Armer
Monday 29 May Alison Taylor
Tuesday 30 May Annette Harding
Wednesday 31 May Rob Lenton Kate Davies
Thursday 1 June Leanne Sullivan
Friday 2 June Melissa Armer



Congratulations to the following students for their efforts in the 2017 School Athletics Carnival.



**Junior Boy
Champion**



**Junior Girl
Champion**



**11 Years Boy
Champion**



**11 Years Girl
Champion**



**12 Years Boy
Champion**



**12 Years Girl
Champion**

Athletics Aged Champions

Girls Soccer Report: On Friday 19 May, the girls' soccer team played soccer at Bowethorne Park (our home game) against Raymond Terrace Public School. We unfortunately lost with the score, 4-1 at full time. It was a knockout which means we sadly won't be playing again. Congratulations to Charli Codrington who scored our goal.
By Rebecca Drew & Tahlia Jarvie



Absent: Isis Sullivan, Jessica Jacobs & Bridie Gillon



Absent: Zachery Tomkins, Tommy Mella, Jye Auld and Ben Moroney

Boys Soccer Report: Last Friday the boys soccer team played Raymond Terrace. The game started with an amazing goal from Zac. We tried to hold the lead but Raymond Terrace got two goals making it 2-1. Next Zac got another great goal. With only five minutes to go, Ash scored the winning goal. The final score was 3-2 our way. Thank you to all the parents who provided transport and to Mr Bennett who coached the team. All the boys showed great sportsmanship and had a good game. **By Ben Moroney**

Fete News/Updates

- Please save any empty jars and lids for the fete. It would be appreciated if you can remove the labels and wash out the jars. Please consider the safety of your child when sending the jars in to school as they can be a safety hazard in a child's backpack. It would be preferred if families could bring them in themselves and drop them off at the school office.
- Can you or someone in your family make any hand-made items that you can donate to sell? (examples, padded coat hangers, library bags, decorative bunting, door stoppers or toys)
- Are you able to assist with the crazy hair and nails activity or do you know someone who is? You don't have to be a professional stylist. Please return your blue form and indicate on the note if you are confident and willing to assist with this activity.
- Consider potting up succulents and plant cuttings in the months ahead to sell at our plant stall.
- We are seeking donations for the silent auction.
- Do you know anyone who wants to hold a "market stall"? A \$30 fee will secure a site 3m x 3m. Please contact Mel Armer for details.
- We are seeking expressions of interest for companies who wish to sponsor the fete. A silver level sponsorship will cost \$250 and gold \$400. Your banner will be prominently displayed in the month or so leading up to the fete and your logo will appear in the school newsletter.
- Thank you for your support. Remember - our Fete relies on our school community to make it a success. Save the date - November 3 - and spread the word. Donations and your time and effort are much appreciated.

Stage One visits Tocal Homestead

On Friday 19 May, Stage one went to Tocal Homestead. Why we went was because it was based on our history topic: Changes. We did old fashion things like the washing and setting the table. We also looked at how old home life used to be.

—Nicholas Witcomb and William Letham 1/2D





Beanie Day—Thank you for helping raise money for research into brain cancer.



(THIS IS THE FINAL CANTEEN FUNDRAISER FOR 2017)

ORDERS MUST BE RETURNED ON OR BEFORE 30 MAY, 2017

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COLLECTION DATE: 7 June, 2017 FROM 12 NOON

I have paid \$..... on P.O.P.

To assist with packing your orders, if you have any spare green bags, please label them with your name and deliver them to the canteen from 6 June and we will pack your order in the bags. **ORDERS MUST BE COLLECTED BY 3.30PM.** The canteen will hold no responsibility for collection after that time.

Items will not be stored in the fridge on the day of collection.