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## LIVE – LEARN – CARE

**Principal's Message**

Welcome to Week Four at Seaham Public School. There are many extra-curricular activities at the moment. I hope families are keeping up with the overload of information and permission slips.

**Sport:** This week a number of students are competing at Zone Athletics in Raymond Terrace. Tomorrow are the track event finals and I wish all competitors well. Results from this competition will be published in the coming weeks.



By all accounts Harper is doing well at the State Rugby League competition in Melbourne. His NSW team had a narrow loss against Queensland but have won their other games. Today he is touring the MCG which is a fabulous opportunity.

**PBL:** Today we celebrated the next group of students who achieved their PBL badge. Families have requested feedback regarding their child if they still have areas on their contract to check off. I would urge families to discuss this with their child. If students are unsure, please ask them to talk to their class teacher. We are trying to encourage the students to take on the responsibility of finding out what they need to do and acting on it.

**Education Week Awards:** I had the pleasure of attending the Education Week Awards at Hunter River High School on Tuesday. Congratulations again to all students, school staff and community members who received awards. Please see the great photos in today's newsletter.

**Kindergarten 2018:** Enrolments are now being taken for Kindergarten, next year. If you have a child that will be attending Seaham Public School next year, please contact our office. Enrolment packs will be forwarded home next week.

**Peer Support:** This week we further develop the range of strategies we can use in challenging situations. This session focuses on step 3 of the model, Proceed. In order to learn from situations and move forward children need to go beyond thinking of strategies and action them. Children recognise despite the use of a range of strategies, sometimes they cannot change the situation. At these times, it is important to accept the situation and move forward with a positive outlook. Encourage your child to follow through with strategies they have discussed and planned to use. It is important to then help them evaluate if this has worked or if they need to try a different strategy.

**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**

<b>Friday 11 August</b> Public Speaking—Kindy Zone Athletics—Track
<b>Mon-Tuesday 14 &amp; 15 August</b> Teen Talk Year 5 & 6
<b>Thursday 17 August</b> Stage 2 Excursion Botanical Gardens
<b>Monday 23 October</b> 5 week Kindergarten Orientation Program commences for 2018
<b>Friday 3 November</b> School Fete
<b>Tuesday-Friday 7/10 November</b> Stage 3 Canberra Excursion
<b>Monday 20 November</b> Last week of Kindy Orientation
<b>Tuesday 5 December</b> Orientation Days for High School
<b>Wednesday 6 December</b> Annual Day & Night School Presentation
<b>Tuesday 12 December</b> Year 6 Farewell
<b>Friday 15 December</b> End of Term 4 for students only

**Canteen News:** **Volunteers urgently needed for next Monday and Wednesday to avoid CANTEEN CLOSURE! Please contact Alison Taylor on 4996 540.**

**School Fete:** Please email all your questions and suggestions to seahamschoolfete17@gmail.com

- ♦ Our FETE committee are still requiring a Fete Stall Coordinator. If anyone is interested, please contact Melissa Armer on 0474 692 064 or email seahamschoolfete17@gmail.com

**Student Placement:** This week 1/2M has welcomed Lawrence Macrow who is participating in the Student Placement Program through Hunter River High School. Lawrence has been a wonderful help in 1/2M, with all the students loving having him in their class.



**Sewing:** Last Wednesday, 2 August, the Sewing Group completed their pin cushions. We were lucky again to have Mrs Imber come and learn how to sew. Thank you so much to Bev Warner and Mrs Bartlett for spending their time to come and pass down their talent to the next generation. We are looking forward to next terms Christmas sewing. **By Tahlia Jarvie**



**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 Roster 2017

Friday 11 August Chrissy Olive Erin Bobako
Monday 14 August <b>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</b>
Tuesday 15 August Melissa Armer
Wednesday 16 August <b>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</b>
Thursday 17 August Alison Taylor Lynda Black
Friday 18 August Kate Davies

### Fete News/Raffle -

#### Prize: CRF110F, Mini Bike:

Raffle tickets are now on sale through the school office.

Limited Tickets available (200).

- Tickets are \$25 per ticket.
- Tickets can be purchased by cash, cheque or by P.O.P.
- You can also complete the Skoolbag e-Form with your ticket information—OR
- Please see attachments on page 6 which will assist you in purchasing a ticket.
- Please feel free to sell with your workplace, extended families and friends. in this great raffle.
- Tickets will be allocated upon payment.



SEAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOL

**FETE RAFFLE**

**Prize:** new CRF110F, mini bike. Designed for the younger off-road riders, with electric start.

**Limited Tickets Available (200) at \$25 each**

**Purchase tickets from school office.**

**Closing Date:** Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2017

**Drawn:** 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2017

**Retail price:** \$3250

**SPECS**

ENGINE TYPE 109cc, air-cooled, single-cylinder, 4-stroke

TRANSMISSION 4-speed, constant mesh

STARTER Electric and kick

DIMENSIONS 1560mm x 686mm x 912mm

SEAT HEIGHT 667mm

FUEL CAPACITY 5 litres

KERB WEIGHT 74kg

TYRES - FRONT 70/100 - 14 inch

- REAR 80/100 - 12 inch



**ONLY 200 TICKETS AVAILABLE**



**Debating News:** Last week was the beginning of the debating season for students from Years 5 and 6. Nine students expressed their interest in trying out their debating skills and met several times to continue some training we did earlier on in the year. On Friday, they versed each other in a Seaham V's Seaham "lockdown" debate. Students selected a topic from a short list and then had only an hour to prepare their speeches and work on their team arguments. The students all worked well as a team and had some excellent 'manner' in the way they spoke – all the speakers were clear, confident and articulate and showed appropriate expression, volume and pace throughout their deliveries. The topic was, "That all primary school classes should do at least 40 minutes of P.E. every day".

Again, these nine students met on Monday and chose a new topic for a second "lockdown" debate and the topic was, "All parents should provide their child with a pet". The task of scoring these students and deciding on a winning team was not an easy task.

Based on these two debates, a representative team of five students has been chosen and we are due to verse Raymond Terrace Public School in the next few weeks on the topic, "That the school day should be extended to 7 and a half hours but we should have a four day week". Seaham are the negative team and will be arguing that this new proposal is not a good idea. The team have been working hard during break times on preparing our ideas and speeches.

Mr Partridge and I could have easily picked any of the nine students to represent the school as they all showed great potential and I have assured those students in year 5 that missed out on selection for this year that we will be entering several teams next year and they will be able to put their developing skills to good use.

Watch this space for an update on how we perform in our upcoming debate. Thank you to the following students for your efforts and commitment to debating this year – Charlotte Fawcett, Isis Sullivan, Allana Johnson, Tahlia Jarvie, Bridie Gillon, Charli Codrington, Travis Charlton, Clare Moir and Veronica Nunan.

**Mrs Imber**



## Good for Kids

Breakfast is the most important meal of the day! Children who skip breakfast find it difficult to concentrate in class and lack energy to play.

Ideas for a satisfying breakfast include:

- Wholegrain toast with a variety of toppings including eggs, tomato, avocado, baked beans and vegemite
- Wholegrain cereals topped with fruit
- Untoasted muesli with reduced fat yoghurt
- Reduced fat cheese toastie



**Health**  
Hunter New England  
Local Health District

## 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.

**School Education Week Awards:** We would like to say how amazed and appreciative we were to be nominated from Seaham Public School to receive an award at the Education Week Awards held at Hunter River High School on Tuesday afternoon. We were stunned by the Hunter River high School dance, singers and overall talent. Tuesday night was a once in a lifetime opportunity that both of us will definitely not forget. It was an eye opener for us to see what High School would be like and what is offered. Upon arriving, we were introduced to the Hunter River High School's Captain's and we then found our seats with our names on them. Food and drinks were available for us as well. The night was excellent and we can't wait for more special functions in the future. **By Veronica Nunan and Tahlia Jarvie**

**Year Six Gala Day at Hunter River High School:** Last Friday Year Six went visited Hunter River High School for a Sports Gala Day. There were five different schools including; Salt Ash, Karuah, Tanilba Bay, Raymond Terrace and Seaham. There were 4 different sports including; slide hockey, touch football, basketball and soccer. The day went for 4<sup>1/2</sup> hours. At the end of the day, there were awards where one person from each team received a Sportsmanship Award. Unfortunately Seaham did not receive any, however we all worked really hard and received a few gotchas. All Year Sixers loved the day. **By Mitchell Lidbury & Jesse Turner**



**Life Education Program**

**Healthy Harold:** Our Life Education Program is over for another two years. Life Education exists to empower children and young people to make safer and healthier choices through education.

Life Education Australia believe that every child should be living to their full potential and their special programs cover topics such as personal safety, drug and alcohol education, nutrition, physical activity, body knowledge, cyber safety, healthy relationships, and decision-making.



## Education Week Awards 2017



**Absent:  
Rachel Buckley**

### **Excellence in Student Achievement**

Veronica Nunan & Tahlia Jarvie

### **Excellence in Teaching Awards**

Mrs Dybell & Ms Atchison

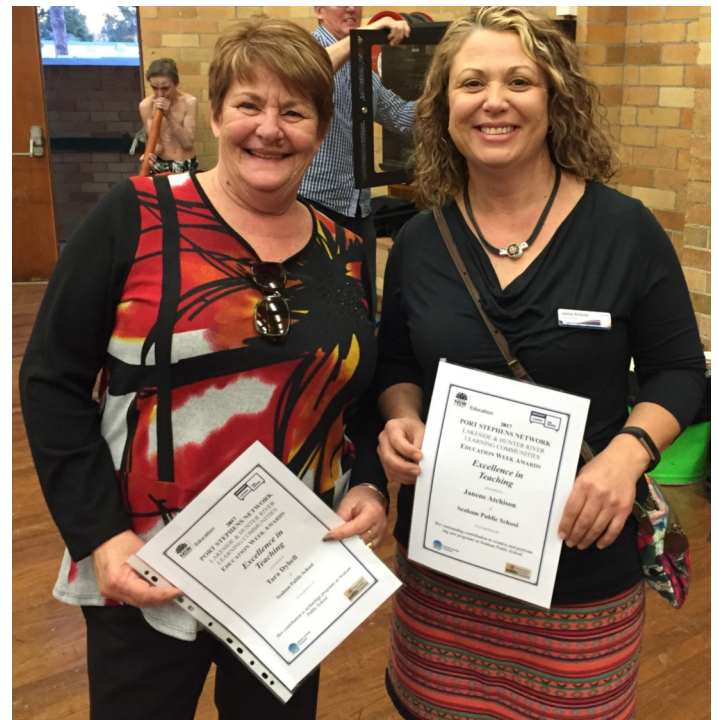
### **Outstanding Contribution by a Non-Teaching Staff Member**

Rachel Buckley

### **Outstanding Contribution by a School Community Member**

Bev Warner & Karen Robinson

Thank you to our School Captains, Brylee Brown & Archie Lilley for doing such a wonderful job in their official roles for this event.





**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.



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