

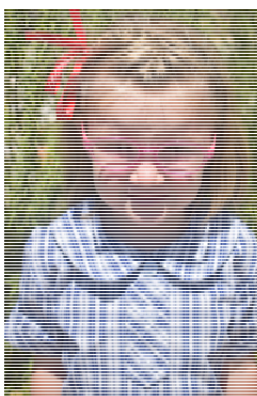
**LIVE – LEARN – CARE****Principal's Message**

Welcome back to school students, staff and parents. I would also like to welcome our new families to our wonderful Seaham community. It has been fantastic to welcome our new kindergarten students and other new students in other grades. We have had a really settled start to the year so thank you all for being responsible, respectful learners. It is difficult in this message to talk about everything in detail so our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions on Tuesday, February 13 from 6pm to 6:30pm and session 2 from 6:30pm - 7pm are a great opportunity to hear about your child's class and any changes that are happening in 2018. Following these sessions our first P&C meeting will kick off in our library from 7pm. This meeting is our AGM so it would be wonderful to see some new parents come and join this great team.

HOMEWORK - Last year we surveyed parents and students about aspects of school like in the Tell Them From Me survey tool. The results regarding homework raised a red flag resulting in the need for an update on our homework policy. Teachers have planned homework to start the year in their stage groups and they will talk about this at 'Meet the Teacher' sessions. Throughout the year I will be asking for volunteers to join our homework policy committee. Our job will be to align with department policy but also create a policy based on community needs and curriculum requirements. Please let me know if you wish to be part of this process.

PBL - has started with a bang. Our new signage looks fantastic and all students have responded well to our behaviour expectations in non classroom settings. Soon we begin looking at classroom structures and expectations. Already our classrooms are calm, positive places. PBL will place a lens over our classroom and allow us to fine tune our expectations and processes.

The reward process has changed this year. Students still work towards achieving their badge however the reward activity if achieved will include everybody. They achieve their reward by filling up a clear tub with their tokens. When they reach a certain mark all students will receive a reward day or activity which is yet to be determined.

**Dates For Diaries
2018**

Meet The Teacher Night 13 February 2018 6pm * and 6:30pm
Friday 23 February Zone Swimming Carnival
Monday 26 February HRHS information night for Students for 2019
Friday 2 March Whole School Assembly 2:20pm
Monday 12 March Young Leaders Day
Monday 26 & Tuesday 27 March Stage 2 Overnight Camp
Thursday 29 March Harmony Day Easter Hat Parade
Wednesday 11 April School Photos
August 13-14 Teen Talk Years 5&6
October 22-24 Point Wolstoncroft Years 5&6

Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) Overnight Excursion 2018. Notes have been forwarded home to families. Families may 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)

Cost: \$215 including camp & bus

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 Roster 2017

MEET THE TEACHER :: Meet the Teacher night will be taking place on Tuesday 13 February 2018, commencing at 6:00pm-6:30pm, with the session being repeated from 6:30pm-7:00pm. This will hopefully enable parents who have more than one child to attend with all teachers.

GENERAL PERMISSION NOTE: The general permission note "blue note" was forwarded home last week. If you have not received this note, or need another one, please contact our office. All blue general permission notes need to be given to class teachers as soon as possible.

P & C :: The P&C will hold its AGM on Tuesday 13 February 2018 after Meet the Teacher night. The meeting will be held in the school library at 7pm. All positions are open. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else please forward your nomination to :: seahampandc@gmail.com. P&C plays an important role in supporting the school. Its fundraising efforts have contributed valuable resources that government funding may not have been able to provide. Please consider a role. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

It has been my pleasure to represent Seaham Public School P & C as President over the past 2 years. Due to a recent career change I am unable to continue in my role. I would like to thank all members/parents and carers for your continued support of Seaham Public School.

All the Best, Mark Lilley

HUNTER RIVER HIGH SCHOOL :: Year 6 students and families are invited to an information evening on Monday 26 February 2018 at 6pm. Guests will tour the school and have the opportunity to meet with staff.

CANTEEN NEWS:

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.

PLEASE NOTE:: Chicken Burgers and Spring Rolls WILL NOT be available until Wednesday of next week (14 February)

MUSIC :: Guitar, piano, violin, cello and Drum Corp lessons are available in 2018.

For Guitar lessons contact Dennis on 0417 448 465.

For violin, piano and cello lessons are also available - contact Rachel Scheman on 49 305511.

DRUM CORP :: Brochures were handed to students this week. For more information go to the website : thedrumcorp.com
Drum Corp is hoping to commence next week if numbers are filled.

SEAHAM BOWTHORNE FOOTBALL CLUB :: Registration will be held on Sunday 11th February 2018. For more information contact Charles McCumstie on 0410 498 302 or email: seahampwthorne@newcastlefootball.net.au

SCRIPTURE:: Scripture lessons for **K - 2** will commence on Wednesday 21 March. Scripture for **years 3 - 6** will commence on Wednesday 28 March. If your child is changing Scripture classes could you please contact the school office.

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

Monday 12 February
Chrissy Olive

Tuesday 13 February
Lucy O'Brien

Wednesday 14 February
Chrissy Olive

Thursday 15 February
Kellie O'Hare

Friday 16 February
Kate Davies
Celia

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

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

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.

Seaham Bowthorne Football (Soccer) Club

Player Registration Days – Season 2018

Sunday 11th Feb 10.00am – 12.00pm

Monday 12th Feb 3.00pm – 7.00pm

Sunday 18th Feb 10.00am – 12.00pm

Monday 19th Feb 3.00am – 7.00pm

SEAHAM COMMUNITY HALL

(Back Hall) Warren Street Seaham

Small Sided Football \$130.00 (U6 – U7) Less \$100 Active Kids Voucher = \$30 Total.

Small Sided Football \$160.00 (U8 – U11) Less \$100 Active Kids Voucher = \$60 Total.

Competition \$190.00 (U12 – U18) Less \$100 Active Kids Voucher = \$90 Total.

All Age Men, All Age Women & Over 35 Men \$320.00

(Registration cost includes weekly Match Fees)

Full payment required with registration, Active Kids Voucher Number Needed to Claim Discount

All new registrations require proof of age & current FFA number if applicable.

On Line Registration & Payment available @ www.playfootball.com.au

For more info please contact either - seahambowthorne@newcastlefootball.net.au

Daniel Flynn (Registrar) 0455805164

Charles McCumstie (Secretary) 0410498302

Seaham School Swimming Carnival



Canteen Roster - Term One 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday ²⁹
29 January	30 January	31 January	1 February	2 February
5 February	6 February	7 February	8 February	9 February
12 February Chrissy Olive	13 February Lucy O'Brien	14 February Chrissy Olive	15 February Kellie O'Hare	16 February Kate Davies & Celia
19 February Kelly Laver	20 February Peta Salter	21 February Leanne Cox Colleen Cox	22 February Annette Harding Jade Roberts	23 February Chrissy Olive VOLUNTEER NEEDED
26 February	27 February	28 February Chrissy Olive	1 March	2 March
5 March Rena 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 Good Friday
2 April Easter Monday	3 April	4 April	5 April	6 April
9 April	10 April	11 April	12 April	13 April

Mon, Wed, Friday @9.00am Tue, Thur @1.55pm

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

HOUSE CAPTAINS FOR 2017



Carmichael

Captains: Harrison Roberts & Emily Bennett

Vice Captains: Ethan Rowe, Amelia Daws and Jake Bird



Dixon

Captains: Zac Tomkins & Clare Moir

Vice Captains: Jack Armitage & Isis Sullivan



Fisher

Captains: Joe Batchelor & Allana Johnson

Vice Captains: Cody Heard & Jasmine Greentree



Warren

Captains: Max Haynes & Clare Harding

Vice Captains: Max Leggett & Jacinta Brooker

SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS::

WINNING HOUSE :: DIXON

Junior Boys Champion : Jimmy Lilley

Junior Girls Champion : Shelby Meehan / Chelsea Nunan

11years Boys : Tyler Laver

11years Girls : Sophie Letham

Senior Boys : Jack Armitage

Senior Girls " Isis Sullivan

Seaham School swimming carnival was held last Tuesday at Clarence Town pool. All children who attended had a great time and should be congratulated for their participation and excellent behaviour. Great sportsmanship was shown on the day with lots of students taking part in all races.

I would like to thank the teachers and family helpers who made this day a great success.

Students who qualify to participate in the Port Stephens Zone Swimming Carnival will be determined by times in 50 metre heats on the day of our School Swimming Carnival. Zone swimming carnival will be held on 23 February 2018.
Jack Bennett

