

**LIVE – LEARN – CARE**

Principal's Message

It has been another really positive week at Seaham Public School. I really enjoy popping into classrooms from time to time and observing wonderful, engaged students and committed teachers doing a fantastic job. We continue to find our students following school rules and continuing to be respectable, responsible learners.

Safety continues to be a paramount concern for our students. During the last few weeks we have focused on road safety and appropriate behaviour for entering and exiting our school site. This week I will be reinforcing the message of stranger awareness and making good choices in uncomfortable situations. Please remember to talk to your child about what to do if a stranger approaches them or tries to make contact online. Encourage them to report any suspicious or worrying activity around their home or as they travel to and from school. If possible avoid times where younger students are walking along streets alone or at the very least consider close neighbours or friends living near by as safe houses and areas our children can go to if they feel unsafe or are being approached.

Whole School Assembly - This Friday, we will be having our first whole school assembly for the year. It will be the first one for our school leaders so it will be a run through to help them become familiar with their roles. We will be handing out class awards but there will be no class item at this assembly. Also please note our change in times ::

Assembly now will commence from 2:20pm.

Positions Vacant::
P&C
President
Vice President
Treasurer



CANTEEN NEWS

THE CANTEEN
WILL BE CLOSED
FOR PAINTING
ON TUESDAY
6 MARCH.

ALSO

VOLUNTEERS ARE
NEEDED ON
THURSDAYS
FROM TERM 2
OR THE
CANTEEN WILL BE
CLOSED EACH
THURSDAY

Dates For Diaries 2018

Friday 2 March Whole School Assembly 2:20pm
Tuesday 6 March HRHS STEM Day
Friday 9 March Zone League Trials
Monday 12 March Young Leaders Day
Thursday 15 March Zone Trials - Netball & Soccer
Wednesday 21 March Kindergarten Interviews
Thursday 22 March Opening of Parliament 1PM
Monday 26 & Tuesday 27 March Stage 2 Overnight Camp
Wednesday 28 March School Athletics Carnival
Thursday 29 March Harmony Day Easter Hat Parade
Wednesday 4 April Zone Touch Football
Friday 6 April Cross Country
Wednesday 11 April School Photos
Friday 13 April PSSA Rugby League Gala Day Last Day Term 1
Tuesday 1 May Students return - Term 2
August 13-14 Teen Talk Years 5&6
October 22-24 Point Wolstoncroft Years 5&6

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.

UNIFORM ORDERS::

Parents paying on POP for school uniforms are requested to send a copy of your receipt to Kim Penfold (Uniform Co-ordinator) via text message so orders can be completed.

Winter school uniform:: orders will be available in the coming weeks.

Kim Penfold (Uniform Co-ordinator)
0431 307 035

Chicken Pox (Varicella) A case of Chicken Pox has been reported at Seaham School. Children suffering from Chicken Pox are excluded from school until all blisters have dried - this is usually approximately 5 days after the rash first appeared in non-immunised children and less in immunised children.

P&C UPDATE:

We are hoping to start a new contact list of email addresses for those parents and carers who wish to receive the minutes of our P & C meetings. Please complete the slip below with your email address and return to the school office if you wish to be on our P&C emailing list.

A friendly reminder:: NEW MEMBERS NEEDED (DESPERATELY) !!

Also, we are looking for a new President, Vice President and Treasurer. Please consider volunteering for one of these roles. Assistance will be given to help you in your new role.

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Please add my name to the email list so I can receive minutes from the P&C meetings.

Name: : _____ Eldest child: _____ Class _____

Email: : _____

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 still a few 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.

Reusable lunch order bags are still available for purchase at the school office.
Cost \$10.50

Canteen Roster 2018

Friday 2 March
Kelly Lavver
Jodie

Monday 5 March
Renee Armitage

Tuesday 6 March
CLOSED FOR PAINTING

Wednesday 7 March
Chrissy Olive
Vickie

Thursday 8 March
Leanne Sullivan

Friday 9 March
Chrissy Olive
Ali Taylor

Monday 12 March
Chrissy Olive

Tuesday 13 March
Nat Meehan

Wednesday 14 March
Chrissy Olive
Vickie

Thursday 15 March
Jess Strachan

Friday 16 March
Kelly Laver
Kylie Elbourne

COMMUNITY NOTICES:

GET YOUR TEAM TOGETHER FOR THE ADULT Science & Engineering Challenge
Sat 17 March 9.30am, MPC Dungog High School

You don't have to be a science buffin to join in, just be willing to give it a go & be ready to face 3 fun challenges... will it be Bridges, Catapults, Grasping at Straws, or something else? Most challenges are indoors - we're talking 40cm bridges not 40m!

The Science & Engineering Challenge has been a nationwide program for school students but now we're opening up the challenge for adults to have some fun too.

How to enter: Get your 6-8 team members & nominate a captain, send the captain's name & contact details to education@dsc.net.au, by Fri 8 March. Spectators welcome but no helping! Max 8 teams can compete.

The event will finish by 2pm. FREE but booking is essential. Audience/barrackers welcome. Lunch: Sausage sandwich & drink may be purchased from the Dungog Lions Club on site.

a FREE public event by
Paterson Allyn Williams SCIENCE HUB

The schools' Science & Engineering Challenge is a STEM outreach program presented by University of Newcastle in partnership with communities, Rotary clubs, universities & sponsors. Thank you to John Walton, event organizer.

To find out more details visit the **Paterson Allyn Williams Science Hub Facebook page** or www.dungogcommunitycollege.org.au

This venture is supported by Inspiring Australia and the NSW Government

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 - Term One 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday29
29 January	30 January	31 January	1 February	2 February
5 February	6 February	7 February	8 February	9 February
12 February	13 February	14 February	15 February	16 February
19 February	20 February	21 February	22 February	23 February
26 February	27 February	28 February	1 March	2 March Kelly Laver Jodie
5 March Rena Armitage	6 March CLOSED for PAINTING	7 March Chrissy Olive Vickie	8 March Leanne Sullivan	9 March Chrissy Olive Ali Taylor
12 March Chrissy Olive	13 March Nat Meehan	14 March Chrissy Olive Vickie	15 March Jess Stachan	16 March Kelly Laver Kylie Elbourne
19 March Jess Strachan	20 March Lucy O'Brien	21 March Chrissy Olive	22 March Mel Armer	23 March
26 March	27 March Nat Meehan	28 March Chrissy Olive	29 March Harmony Day E / Hat Parade Chrissy Olive Ali Taylor	30 March Good Friday CLOSED
2 April Easter Monday CLOSED	3 April Peta Salter	4 April Chrissy Olive	5 April Leanne Sullivan	6 April
9 April Jess Strachan	10 April Mel Armer	11 April Chrissy Olive	12 April Red Day Jess Strachan	13 April

CAN YOU HELP ???????????? WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS
If you can help in the canteen please ring Peta on 0403 276 880
or Alison on 49 964540

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

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



Zone Swimming Team 2018

Zone Swimming Carnival report ::

Last Friday, 21 Seaham students represented the school at the Port Stephens Zone Swimming Carnival. They represented their school well, always showing great sportsmanship and helping each other out. It was a tough meet with a lot of very fast times performed by everyone.

A big thank you to all the parents who made the day very easy!

Mr Jack Bennett

Here are the results of our swimmers who were placed on the day:

Senior Boys Relay Team - 3rd

Senior Girls Relay Team - 2nd

Isis Sullivan - 1st x 50 metres Senior Girls Butterfly

Milly Bridge - 2nd x 50 metres 8yrs Girls Freestyle

Tyler Laver - 3rd x 50 metres 11yrs Boys Freestyle
1st x 50 metres 11yrs Boys Backstroke

Jimmy Lilley - 3rd x 50 metres Junior Boys Butterfly

Bridie Gillon - 2nd x Seniors Individual Medley

Congratulations to all participants !!



1/2M Artwork

1/2M completed Shell artwork after reading Mem Fox's book "Wilfred Gordon McDonald Partridge. Wilfred collected shells to help Miss Nancy remember childhood times at the beach.



Buddies