



Principal's Message

Welcome to week 9 at Seaham Public School. We are almost to the end of the term. Keep an eye out for the information note outlining the process for parent/teacher interviews which are happening in week 2, next term. Please return the portion indicating your preferred time. These Interviews are a great opportunity to get a full picture on how your child is doing in all areas of school life.

Special Assembly for NAIDOC week

NAIDOC week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. This year NAIDOC celebrations occur from July 8 to July 15 during the school holidays. The theme this year is **'because of her, we can'**, celebrating the Aboriginal women and girls who play a significant role in their communities. We are having a special assembly this Friday with a performance from the Hunter River High School Aboriginal dancers. The assembly commences at 2:15pm. Parents, community members and friends are most welcome.

Stranger Danger - Recently there have been some disturbing reports of school children in the Newcastle and Raymond Terrace area being approached by strangers. If anyone sees anything suspicious or their child reports something out of the ordinary please contact the school and the information will be passed onto the appropriate authorities. Please also ensure you have a conversation with your child about the need to be aware and strategies to keep them safe as they move to and from school.

Community PBL - This weeks winner is Riley Johnson. Riley was nominated because he is always willing to lend a hand and will support teachers without being asked on a daily basis.



Dates For Diaries 2018

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| Friday 29 June School Assembly 2:15pm NAIDOC assembly Knights Gala Day |
| Thursday 5 July Public Speaking Finals |
| Friday 6 July Jump Rope for Heart - Jump Off Last Day Term 2 |
| School Resumes Students return - Tuesday 24 July |
| Friday 27 July Balance Swimming Stage 2 |
| Monday 6 August Education Week/Open Day Book Character Parade |
| Mon 13 August Teen Talk Year 5 |
| Tuesday 14 August Teen Talk Year 6 |
| Friday 31 August Balance Swimming Stage 3 |
| Wednesday 19 & Thursday 20 September School Musical |
| October 22-24 Point Wolstoncroft Years 5&6 |
| Wednesday 5 December Presentation Night |
| Tuesday 11 December Year 6 Farewell |

Balance Swimming Scheme: \$85

Stage 2 - commences Friday 27 July 2018

Stage 3 - commences Friday 31 August 2018

Payments can be made anytime either by cash or cheque or via the online parent payment (POP) on the Seaham School website.

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.

FRIDAY MORNINGS

8:30AM TO 8:50AM

HOT MILO AND HAM & CHEESE TOASTIES
HOT MILO \$1, HAM & CHEESE TOASTIES 50c

**ALSO:: SEE THE MENU BELOW FOR NEW ITEMS AVAILABLE
ON OUR CANTEEN MENU FROM FRIDAY 1 JUNE !!!**

CANTEEN NEWS :: **REMINDER !!**

Due to lack of volunteers the canteen will now be
CLOSED all day MONDAY.

It will also be **CLOSED** for the **2nd break on Wednesdays.**

We desperately need more volunteers to avoid further closures in the coming weeks. If you could spare a few hours a month it would be greatly appreciated:

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| Tues/Thurs: 1:25—1:55pm | 1 volunteer |
| Wednesdays: 9am —12:30pm | 2 volunteers |
| Fridays: 9am —1:55pm | 2 volunteers |

Please contact the school office ASAP if you are able to help out.
Or contact Alison Taylor on 0468 742 214.

Thankyou
Canteen Committee

P&C Meeting REMINDER

Our next P&C meeting will be held ::

When :: Tuesday 3 July

Time :: 3:15 pm

Where :: School Library

ALL WELCOME !!

SAVE THE DATE

**EDUCATION WEEK OPEN DAY/
BOOK CHARACTER PARADE**

MONDAY WEEK 3 TERM 3

6TH AUGUST

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Canteen Roster 2018

Friday 29 June
Kate & Celia

Monday 2 July
CLOSED

Tuesday 3 July
Mel Armer

Wednesday 4 July
Rebecca Vella
Lynda Cope

Thursday 5 July
RED DAY
Chrissy Olive
Peta Salter
Annette Harding
Alison Taylor

Friday 6 July
Kate & Celia

Tuesday 24 July
VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Wednesday 25 July
Chrissy Olive

Thursday 26 July
Annette Harding
Hayley

Friday 27 July
Kate & Celia

Monday 20 July
Shannan Warner
Jade Roberts

Reusable Lunch Order Bags:

There are reusable lunch order bags available for purchase from the school office for \$10.50. Colours available are green and blue.

PARENTS ONLINE PAYMENT (POP)

Remember that Parent Online Payments (POP) is an option for families to make payments to the school.

This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac whereby you can pay using a Visa/Mastercard credit or debit card.

The payment is accessed from the front page of the schools website by selecting **\$Make a Payment.**

NEW ITEMS ON THE CANTEEN MENU

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| Macaroni Cheese | \$3.00 |
| Beef Lasagne | \$3.00 |
| Fried Rice | \$3.50 |
| (with ham, pork & vegies) | |

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.

PEER SUPPORT

Week 3 : Next week in Peer Support the children will be participating in activities helping them to identify and accept differences in people. Children will also identify ways they can demonstrate being caring through their actions.

Discuss with your child the importance of accepting differences in other people.

Perhaps take the time to identify and discuss the various differences people may have eg: appearance, religion, culture, disabilities. Ask your child to share the qualities they appreciate in their friends.

James Eagleton
Peer Support Co-ordinator



Debating

Seaham hosted a debate earlier today against Paterson in our 3rd round of the 'lockdown' debating competition for 2018. The standard of debating was very high from both teams. The topic was, **'That we should ban people under 18 from participating in talent shows and contests'**. Paterson was the affirmative and Seaham were the negative - therefore our team had to argue that we should NOT ban these activities for young people. Unfortunately, we were defeated by one point. Nevermind, girls. You all did a great job !! Well done to Jessica, Charli, Clare and Bridie for some great points, rebuttals and teamwork. Allana also did a great job as chairperson and Ella as timekeeper. Keep up the great work.

Mrs Imber
Debating Co-ordinator

Softball

On Friday 22 June, my brother Luke and I went to softball trials for the PSSA team at Mackeachies. There were 65 students trying out for the team. With the first cut there were only 30 kids left. Luke and I made the cut.

The second cut was down to 18 kids.

I made it but Luke did not. After we played a short game they could only pick 12 out of the 18. After the game they picked 12 players and 2 shadows, but we don't get to know who the shadows are. I was lucky enough to make the team. The whole day went for 6 hours of practice and games.

By Daniel Young



Student story

Catch It

by Jack M, Year 3

As I woke up, felt a fuzz of hunger in my belly. I poked my head out of the hole I slept in to see who was awake. Turns out I was the last one awake (I am very sleepy). For some reason all the other meerkats were staring at a tree. So, I focused on the tree. There I could see a juicy, ripe, red pomegranate ready to be eaten.

The night before, me and all the other meerkats had eaten nothing due to the lack of food. We had saved one last pomegranate for breakfast in the morning.

All the meerkats tried and tried to get the juicy pomegranate off the tree, but kept slipping off the branch that it was on. Not even I, the leader of the pack, could do it.

We decided to stop trying to get the pomegranate. Suddenly, I heard an evil sound of flapping wings behind me. There I could see a purple winged, evil vulture licking his lips in front of the juicy pomegranate. No it couldn't be... the evil vulture was flying away with the juicy, red pomegranate. I raised my fist in attack, then all the other meerkats followed after.

I ran as fast as I could, straight at the evil vulture. All the other hungry meerkats did too! I jumped with all my might onto the vulture. Suddenly, the vulture holds my head on the ground and I slip off. Two of the other meerkats perform a move where one threw the other one onto the vulture. He hung on as tight as me and all the other meerkats made a meerkat chain, dangling from the evil vulture.

Higher and higher the vulture flew. Suddenly, I wasn't holding onto anything. I was just falling in the crystal, clear blue sky. "Why is everyone screaming?" I thought. "We're in the sky completely fine." It didn't take me long to realise that we were falling straight at the yellow, rock-hard ground.

Tears were almost falling out of my eyes when I saw the evil vulture dive down and catch the pomegranate. Suddenly, I wasn't falling. I had landed smack bang on the evil vulture's back. "Oooh! What was that?" I shouted. Two other meerkats landed on me. Then another four landed on me. We were falling back in through the sky. Only this time, we landed back on the ground, safe and sound. I looked up and saw a smashed, broken-winged vulture lying flat against a towering, cracked, yellow wall.

Finally, the squashed vulture dropped the juicy, ripe, red pomegranate down the wall. I sprinted straight at the wall with the pomegranate falling down it. I was so happy that it was within reach now. But then...it hit a perfect, smooth, curved ramp and flung up into the air. Another meerkat caught it and passed it on to another meerkat. On and on it went, passing the pomegranate around like a football.

Eventually, I got the ball...I mean, the pomegranate. I sprinted at the two bent, red-topped trees that were meant to be the goals in triumph. I kicked the pomegranate straight at the goals as hard as I could. I was going to score! All the meerkats were cheering.

Abruptly, the cheering stopped. There sitting on the ground was a squashed pomegranate. "NO!"

This story was inspired by the animation Catch It (Literacy Shed).

5/6B Chinese calligraphy



In 5/6B this Semester, we have been studying 'A Diverse and Connected World' in Geography. For one art activity we were looking at Chinese calligraphy and the students had to make a banner with their name on it using the Chinese calligraphy letters we had been looking at. As you can see all the students have done a fantastic job!!!

Mr Bennett





**Stage 1
Zoo Excursion**



Canteen Roster - Term Two 2018

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday29 |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| | 1 May | 2 May | 3 May | 4 May |
| 7 May | 8 May | 9 May | 10 May | 11 May |
| 14 May | 15 May | 16 May | 17 May | 18 May |
| 21 May | 22 May | 23 May | 24 May | 25 May |
| 28 May | 29 May | 30 May | 31 May | 1 June |
| 4 June | 5 June | 6 June | 7 June | 8 June |
| 11 June | 12 June | 13 June | 14 June | 15 June |
| 18 June | 19 June | 20 June | 21 June | 22 June |
| 25 June | 26 June | 27 June | 28 June | 29 June Kate & Celia |
| 2 July CLOSED | 3 July Mel Armer | 4 July Rebecca Vella Lynda Cope | 5 July RED DAY Peta Salter Annette Harding Alison Taylor Chrissy Olive | 6 July Kate & Celia |

CAN YOU HELP ???????????? WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS

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for a swap and then let Alison know.**

Canteen Roster - Term Three 2018

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday29 |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| | 24 July | 25 July Chrissy Olive | 26 July Annette & Hayley | 27 July Kate & Celia |
| 30 July Shannan Warner Jade Roberts | 31 July Lucy & Kate O'Brien | 1 Aug Rach Chrissy | 2 Aug Steph Stapleton VOLUNTEER NEEDED | 3 Aug Sally Letham VOLUNTEER NEEDED |
| 6 Aug Alison Taylor | 7 Aug | 8 Aug Chrissy Olive | 9 Aug Leanne Sullivan | 10 Aug Kate & Celia |
| 13 Aug Rena Armitage | 14 Aug Lucy O'Brien | 15 Aug Leanne & Colleen Cox | 16 Aug | 17 Aug |
| 20 Aug | 21 Aug Annette Harding Vanessa Fox | 22 Aug Chrissy Olive | 23 Aug | 24 Aug Kate & Celia |
| 27 Aug | 28 Aug Lucy & Kate O'Brien | 29 Aug Rach & Karen Codrington | 30 Aug Leanne Sullivan | 31 Aug |
| 3 Sept | 4 Sept | 5 Sept Chrissy Olive | 6 Sept | 7 Sept Sam Mella & Kate |
| 10 Sept | 11 Sept Lucy O'Brien | 12 Sept | 13 Sept | 14 Sept Kylie & Rach |
| 17 Sept | 18 Sept | 19 Sept Chrissy Olive | 20 Sept | 21 Sept Kate & Celia |
| 24 Sept | 25 Sept | 26 Sept | 27 Sept | 28 Sept |

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Riley Johnson

For always being a help and support to staff at Seaham Public School. Without being asked Riley offers his assistance to teachers on a daily basis.

RAYMOND TERRACE COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE

S·T·A·R·S

EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE, EVERY TIME



MARKETPLACE LOVE THIS PLACE
FOR SUPPORTING PBL WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY



We value:

Safety

Trust and honesty

Acting responsibly

Respect

In Raymond Terrace we are proud citizens that treat each other with respect, take ownership of our daily choices and strive for a safe community.

Raymond Terrace Community PBL Student Nomination

Student's name _____

School _____

Reason for nomination _____

