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**Respectful**  
**Responsible**  
**Learners**

### LIVE – LEARN – CARE

## Principal's Message

Hello to our wonderful Seaham community and welcome to a new term. I would like to welcome back our wonderful staff and students to a very busy and exciting term.

**Presentation feedback** - Thank you to those families who have responded with their preference for our end of year presentation and performance. You can access this survey again through our newsletter link today. We will need to make a decision soon on the format and confirm the date so please have your say if you feel strongly about the best time to attend this event.

**Tell them from Me (TTFM)** - Each year we gather your feedback on aspects of our school. This feedback is essential in informing our planning for our future teaching and learning. Please access this survey through the QR code in this newsletter. We really value your thoughts.

**Executive Director** - Next Monday we will host a visit from our Regional North, Executive Director Mr Tim McCallum. Tim will visit briefly, meeting with our school leaders and executive staff. He will pop into a couple of classrooms and no doubt be impressed with what we see everyday.

**Community PBL** - This week's community PBL award recipient is Kaleiya Stoimenoff. Kaleiya is a very active school citizen who contributes in so many ways, supporting other students and making our school a better place.

### Dates For Diaries

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| Monday 28 October<br>Kindy Orientation  |
| Monday 4 November<br>Kindy Orientation  |
| Monday 11 November<br>Kindy Orientation<br>Swim School commences<br>Stage 1 & 2 |
| Wednesday 13 to Friday 15<br>November<br>Stage 3 Camp                           |
| Monday 18 November<br>Kindy Orientation   |
| Thursday 28 November<br>Year 6 Farewell   |
| Presentation and<br>Performance<br><b>Possible change of date</b><br><b>TBA</b> |
| Friday Dec 6<br>Surf Fun Safe Stage 3   |
| Tuesday Dec 17<br>Revolution Park<br>Stage 2 & 3                                |
| Wednesday Dec 18<br>Last day for students                                       |



### Kaleiya Stoimenoff

Kaleiya is nominated for her involvement in many school initiatives. She is an active member of the school gardening club and junior AECG and contributes her time and ideas to making the school a better place.



**SCHOLASTIC**

## Book Club

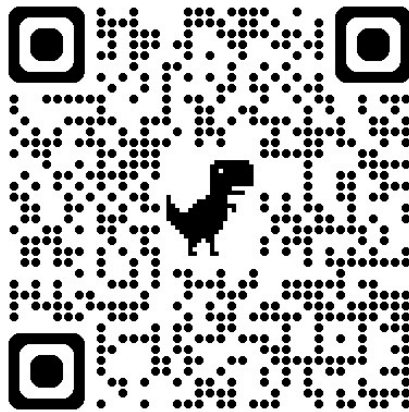
Last day for book club orders  
Issue 7 is Thursday October 31.

## End of Year Event—Parent & Carer Survey

During Term 4 Seaham students will be participating in a dance program leading up to a performance at the end of the year. We are considering combining performances and our end of year presentation. We are asking for community feedback on what this could look like and what time of the day is preferred.

You can provide your feedback by following the link or QR code to an online survey, filling in the form below and returning to the school or simply calling the office with your preference.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1CHNL000dqLbjWTAEzr8XUZtbkcsNmScQRVEoZ0VyR2E/edit>



Please tick the format and time your prefer. You can also add a comment, if you wish.

1. Separate Presentation and Performance as in the past (Both Night)
2. Separate Presentation (Night), Performance (Day)
3. Combined Presentation/Performance (Day - 10am)
4. Combined Presentation/Performance (Early Evening 4pm)
5. Combined Presentation/Performance (Night 6pm)

Comments - \_\_\_\_\_  
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## **Tell Them From Me**

**Why we do it** - This term, we are asking our community to participate in the Tell Them From Me parent survey. The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on our parent's/ carer's perceptions of their child's experiences at home and at school. Schools in Australia have used the Tell Them From Me survey to help them improve. This survey will help our school better understand how to improve student wellbeing and engagement. It will help the school identify what works to improve student outcomes. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

**Confidentiality** - The survey is completed on-line and is run by an independent research company, The Learning Bar, which specialises in school-based surveys. Staff in schools will not be able to identify individual parents/carers from their responses.

**How to do it** - The survey typically takes 15 minutes or less to complete. To ensure confidentiality, participating parents/carers will be able to complete the survey at home by going to <http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/t29cm> or use the qr code below.

**How to help** - Please notify your child(rens) teachers when you have completed the survey online through Dojo or the office. Each family only needs to complete the survey once. The class with the most responses will have a special pizza lunch.

**The survey closes on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November.**

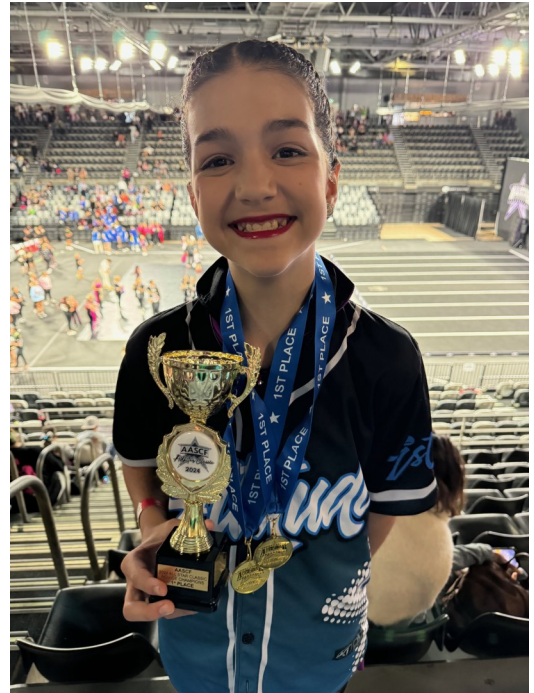


Maddison Courtney competed at the All Star Classic competition on the weekend. She won 3 firsts (Jazz, Hip Hop and Lyrical) and a second (Pom).

Well done Maddi!

*On the last weekend of the holidays, I drove to Sydney to do my dances in front of a lot of people. My first dance I had was lyrical, I went backstage to do warmups before going on stage. After lyrical I had pom. I waited for my awards and got first for lyrical and second for pom. The next day I had hip-hop and jazz, it was a quick change from hip-hop straight to jazz. I waited for my awards again and I got first for hip-hop and first for jazz. I was very excited, it was a very long 2 days.*

*Maddi.*



Thank you to Brad Duncan and Hunter Structural Steel for our new bike racks.



## Attendance

A reminder that this term we will be introducing some new processes around student attendance. Students with an attendance rate of 85% or below at check in points throughout the term will be contacted by a class teacher or executive. Our aim is to work with families to improve student attendance. Also, remember, to notify the office of absences through the Sentral Portal as soon as you are able to help our classes working towards their in-class goals.

Every minute of every day counts!

## Minutes lost = days lost per year

A couple of minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss days per year

**5** mins  
per day



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**3** days

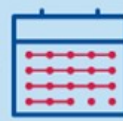


**30** mins  
per day



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**18** days



**Patterns of lateness  
can have a serious  
impact on your child's  
education.**

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## Cutlery

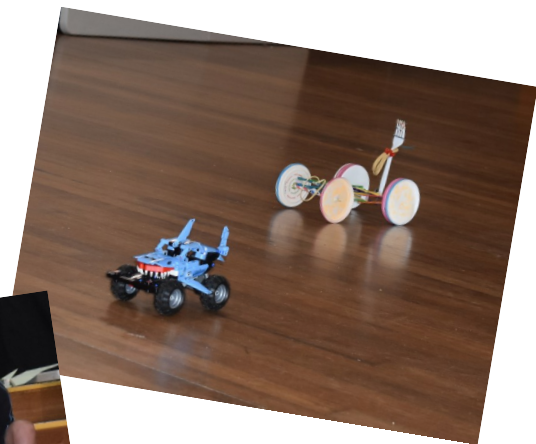
As we strive to create a safe and sustainable environment for our children, we kindly ask that you pack cutlery from home for your child when it is needed.

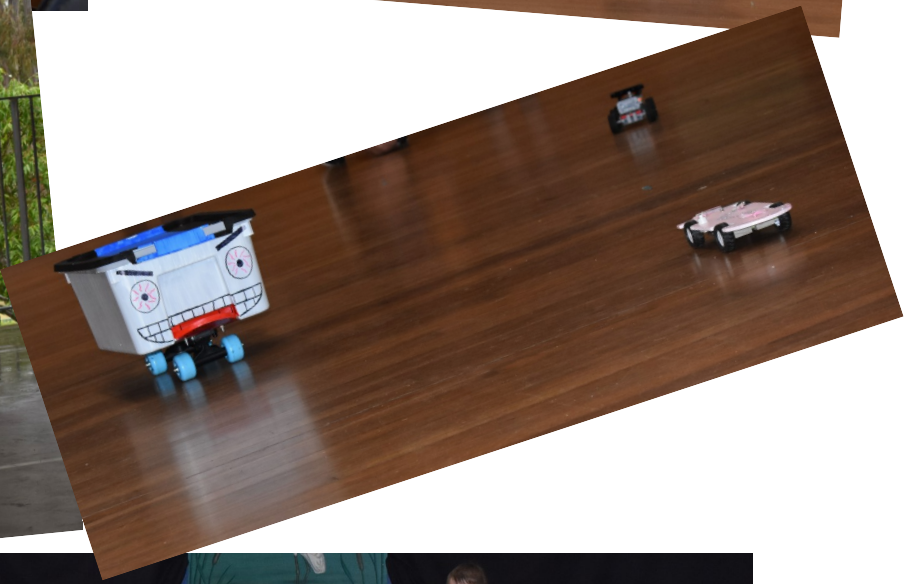
Having their own utensils promotes hygiene, encourages independence as well as helps reduce the amount of disposable waste.

Thank you for your support.



# Stage 3 STEM project - Seaham Grand Prix





## CANTEEN

### CANTEEN OPENING HOURS

#### WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

**LUNCH ORDERS - 11:30am - 12:30 pm**

**SNACKS - 1:30 - 2PM (OPTIONAL)**

#### MONDAY, TUESDAY & THURSDAY

**SNACKS ONLY - 1:30 - 2PM**

Our canteen is always needing volunteers. If you have any spare time and would like to help, please log in to **school 24** and follow the prompts.



### Hydrate with H2O

#### Did you know your body is made up of 50-70% water?

Water is essential in a healthy diet. It helps transport nutrients through our bodies, digest food, remove waste, regulate body temperature, and also keeps our teeth and mouth healthy.

As we come into summer, it's important to keep our bodies hydrated.

Encourage your child to choose water as a drink by:

- Packing a water bottle in their school bag everyday
- Packing a frozen water bottle in their lunchbox during summer
- Encouraging your child to drink water when playing sport
- Serving plain water in a jug. Try adding ice-cubes and fresh fruit pieces such as lemon, orange, blueberries or strawberries for flavour
- Using a re-usable drink bottle that your child has chosen



Source: Hydration tips for children ([www.healthdirect.gov.au](http://www.healthdirect.gov.au))



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Good for Kids acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land that we live and work on as the first people of this country, and pay our respects to Elders past and present.

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## REGISTRATION

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Press the **blue** registration button to create your account. Enter your unique school ID number to help us match your account with your school.

School Name registration ID:: **25376963**

You will then be asked to complete your personal details. Once completed click **Create Account**.

**ORDER YOUR SCHOOL LUNCH ORDERS OR UNIFORMS ON **SCHOOL 24****