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LIVE – LEARN – CARE

## Principal's Message

Hello to our wonderful Seaham community and welcome to week eight. To those families and friends who were able to join us for our 'Harmony Day' afternoon, thank you. Thank you to Mrs Granale for her organisation of the visiting cultural show and to our P+C for organising yummy treats for recess.

The theme for Harmony Week is 'Everyone Belongs'. It is a day to celebrate Australia's cultural diversity and respect for all Australians. At Seaham, each year, we try and vary the cultural experiences we share with our students. This year we enjoyed cultural dance and music from India.

**Class Dojo Permission** - we are committed to providing a technology rich environment for our students. We use some third party providers for our web based resources and cloud based storage. In most instances students and/or families are required to register which involves name, grade and email address. In some cases parent registration involves more personal information. Some of this information is stored offshore which means we need parent consent. Shortly our general permission form will be sent to all family emails which includes information on the providers we use and how you can opt out if you choose. If you have any questions regarding this please contact the school office during business hours (4988 6234).

**Sporting Success** - This week we had a number of students attend rugby league zone trials. All boys did a great job and represented our school well. Special mention to Nash Elbourne who was successful in making the zone team in the under elevens. Our girls Rugby 7's team are competing in a gala day at Kurri today. Thank you Mr Bennett for providing our students with many sporting opportunities.

**Fundraiser** - We spoke to our students today about a special fundraiser we are supporting. We are joining with Largs Public School to participate in a walk-a-thon. We are raising money in support of the Eagleton family. Mr Eagleton's wife Liz is battling a rare condition that requires expensive treatment. Students were given a sponsorship card today which includes a QR code. Donations will be greatly appreciated. Watch out on Sentral soon for a permission note and details about attending the walk-a-thon at Largs Public School on Tuesday, April 1. Our whole school will be attending.

## Dates For Diaries

Friday Apr 11 Easter Hat Parade Last day of Term 1
Wednesday Apr 30 Students return for Term 2
Thursday May 1 ANZAC Day Assembly
Monday May 12 Mothers Day Breakfast
Tuesday May 13 Athletics Carnival
Thursday May 15 Assembly KR
Thursday June 12 Assembly 3/4M
Tues July 1 - Fri July 4 Stage 3 Camp Last Day for Term 2
Tues July 22 Students return for Term 3

SCHOLASTIC

# Book Club

Orders Close

Tomorrow

Friday March 21



# Harmony Day





# Walk-a-thon

Tuesday 1st April Seaham school will be joining with Largs Public School to help support in raising funds for the Eagleton family.

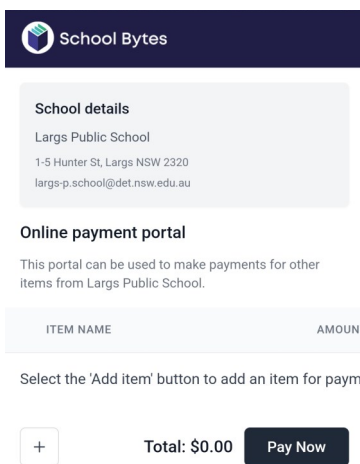
Since 2020 Liz Eagleton has been fighting an extremely rare form of cancer. It has been suggested that immunotherapy could have a positive effect on her cancer, however it is not on the PBS and the family will be faced with immense medical bills.

We would love your help to raise much needed funds to support the Eagleton family during this difficult time through sponsorship for the upcoming walk-a-thon. 100% of funds raised will be given to the family.

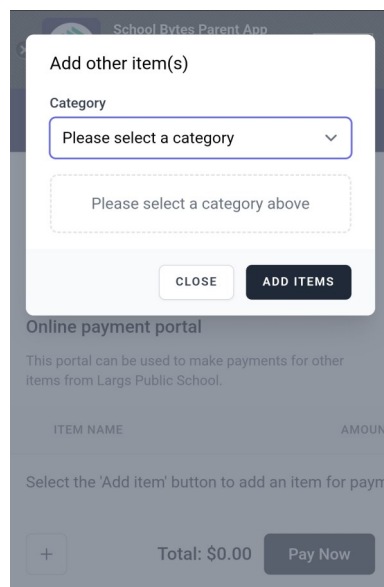
Students will be sent home a sponsorship form. Donations can be made by cash being collected and sent to school or online via the QR code. Directions for the QR code are below.



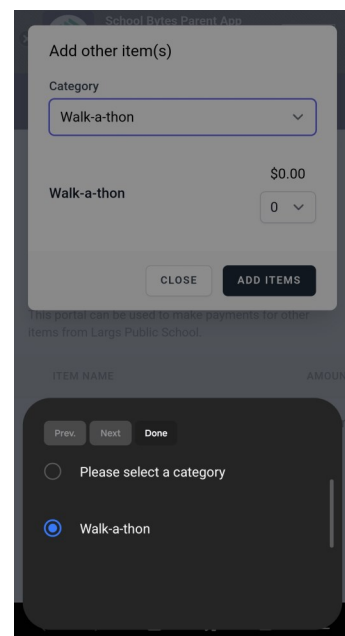
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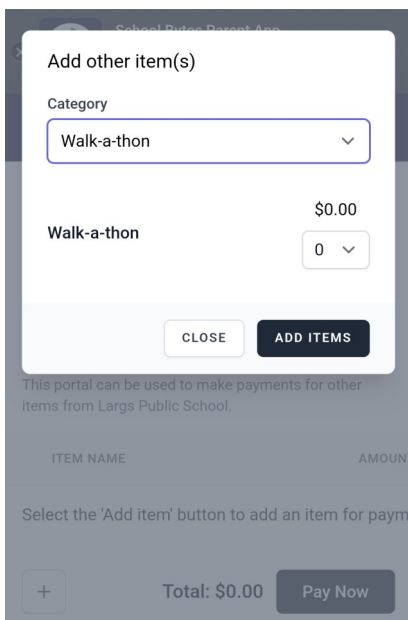
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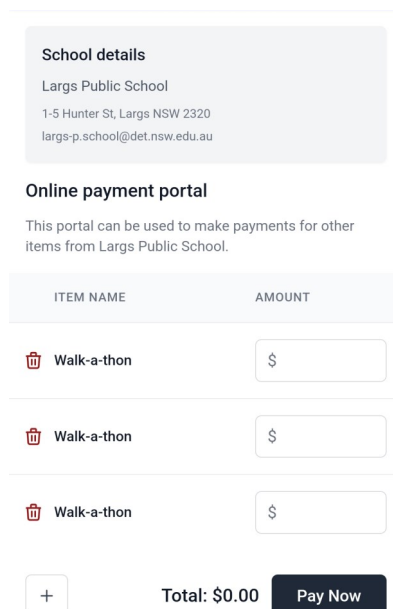
3. Select Walk a thon and click done



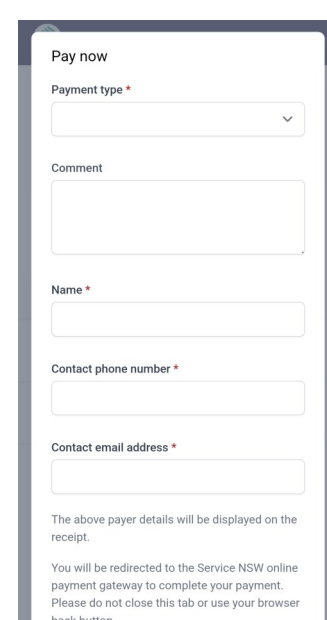
4. Select the amount of donations you'd like to make and click Add items



5. Enter the \$ amount and click Pay Now



6. Fill in your payment details and click Pay





Dear Parents/Carers,

Seaham Public School will be participating in the 2025 Premier's Reading Challenge. The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read widely. If you require more information, please contact Mrs Granale or visit the Premier's Reading Challenge website for the Support page through the following link:

<https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>

The challenge is now open and will be closing on **22<sup>nd</sup> August 2025**. During the challenge, students are required to read books from the Premier's Reading Challenge booklists and record each book they read in their Reading Records. Students are able to access their Reading Records through the Premier's Reading Challenge link in the student portal and can enter any Premier's Reading Challenge books they read along with additional Personal Choice books read during the challenge.

Students in Kindergarten to Year 2 must experience 30 books to complete the challenge.

Students in Years 3 to 6 must read 20 books to complete the challenge.

Premier's Reading Challenge have provided some tips in completing the challenge:

- Familiarise yourself with the PRC website. Logon is not required to view the Booklists or read the Rules.
- Set reminders for Challenge closing date in your and your child's calendar.
- Find out your child's logon details. Student log in details will be the same one they use to access computers and the internet at school.
- Assist your child to borrow books from the local library. Listen to your child read and talk about the story/ characters/ information. Read to or with your child if they are participating in the K-2 Challenge.
- Help your child to add books to their Student Reading Record regularly. Log on and go to: Student Reading Records > enter books by ID or Title or Author. To enter a Personal Choice book, select the 'Add a Choice Book' tab > enter part of the title or author > select 'Search'.
- Your child's online Student Reading Record (SRR) must have the required number of books recorded to complete the Challenge by the student closing date.

Happy Reading!

Mrs Granale

# Parking and Traffic Rules

## School Zones



Take extra care when driving and parking in school zones. The rules are in place to protect your children. If you break the traffic rules in a school zone you are putting your child and other children at risk. Know the rules – you can be fined. **Please choose safety over convenience.**

ZONE	WHAT DOES IT MEAN?	WHY IS IT THERE?	OTHER
	<p>You cannot stop here for any reason (including queuing or waiting for a space).</p>	<p>Keeps clear sight lines between drivers and children / pedestrians.</p>	<p>You cannot queue or block access in the road way while waiting to pull into the No Parking zone.</p> <p>A sign will display if certain times apply.</p>
	<p>You can stop here for a max of 2 min to drop off and pick up passengers. You must stay within 3 m of your vehicle at all times and cannot leave your vehicle unattended.</p>	<p>Provides a safe place for children / pedestrian set down and pick up.</p>	
	<p>You must not stop or park here for any reason (including queuing or waiting for a space) unless you are driving a bus.</p>	<p>Provides a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up school children.</p>	





## Safety tips for school zones

**EXITING THE CAR** 




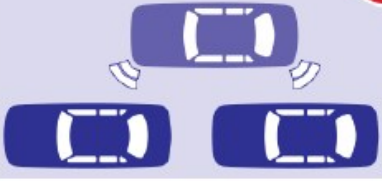
Make sure children use the footpath side door when getting in and out of a car.

**APPLY BRAKE** 



Make sure the park brake is applied when the vehicle is stationary.

**PARKING** 




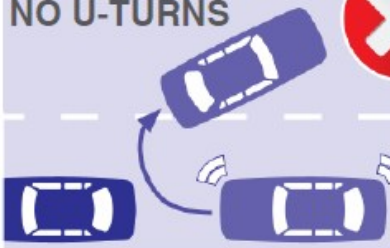
NEVER double park.

**CROSSING** 




NEVER park across a pedestrian crossing.

**NO U-TURNS** 



NEVER undertake a U-turn in close proximity to the school.

**NO 3 POINT TURNS** 




NEVER undertake a three-point turn in close proximity to the school.

## Safety tips for students

**BUCKLE UP** 



Stay buckled up until the vehicle has stopped

**STORE ITEMS** 



Make sure your bag and items are stowed safely

**BE READY**



Be ready to get out of the car with your belongings

**EXIT SAFELY**



Always use the rear footpath side door to get in and out

## 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**

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.

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.

# SCHOOL24

www.school24.net.au

### REGISTRATION

Go to: [www.school24.net.au](http://www.school24.net.au)

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](#)**

## 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  = 3 days 

30 mins per day  = 18 days 



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

education.nsw.gov.au

### **Uniforms**

We are aware people are waiting on uniform orders. Unfortunately there is a large backorder at the moment.

We have been told our uniforms may not arrive until early Term 2.

We appreciate your understanding and patience.