From the Principal

LAST DAY ASSEMBLY AND DISMISSAL
Children will be dismissed from their classrooms on Friday 20th December at 1.30p.m. for the term 4 holidays. This will follow our whole school assembly in the courtyard (weather permitting) starting at 12.45 p.m. Parents and friends are most welcome to join us.

FIRST SCHOOL DAY 2014
Children in grades 1-6 start the 2014 school year on Wednesday 29th January. Grade prep children will be notified of their start dates.

PREP INFORMATION EVENING
The information session was conducted on the 11th December for parents of children starting prep in 2014. This information was provided as a group in the gym before breaking off into small groups to the prep classrooms.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT
We are hoping for good weather for our 15th annual Christmas concert on Tuesday 17th of December. Due to our large school population we are trialling the event being held on the oval where we have more space. We encourage families to bring picnic rugs, folding chairs and a picnic meal. Children in years prep to 2 will be performing between 6.00 p.m.- 7.00 pm. with a half hour interval between 7.00 p.m. – 7.30 p.m. Children in years 3- 6 will be on stage between 7.30 p.m.– 8.40p.m. We hope you can join us for a lovely community event.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE FOR THE CHILDREN OF SEABROOK
Tickets area available from the office for 50 cents each or 3 for $1. This raffle will be drawn a the Christmas concert.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION CEREMONY
This will be conducted at the Suzanne Cory High School this year on Thursday 12th December. Unfortunately our regular venue is under major renovation and we regret that this venue is smaller reducing the number of seats. Extra Tickets are available by ringing the school office and asking for Nikki Lockwood. We hope to return to the Wyndham Events Centre next year when the work there is competed. The year 6 students are very excited about this event and busily preparing for the night. Copies of the video of the event will be on sale or can be ordered.

BOOKLISTS
There is still time to return your order slip for your child’s books for 2014. Parents have the option to pay this year if they wish. Collection day is Thursday 23rd January between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Continued report from Susan Lee

TERM 4 MAJOR FUNDRAISER

Congratulations to the following community members who were prize winners in our raffle:

1st prize winner is Tom Hooper, he won a 4 night holiday at Seaworld Resort and Water Park on the Gold Coast.

2nd prize winner is Saurabl Gupta who has won a Viali 32” Television.

3rd prize winner is Dean Marshall, he won a DeLonghi Nespresso and Areochinno.

4th Prize winner is M Dower, who has won a Sunbeam Electric Frypan and Skillet.

5th Prize winner was Saurabh Porwal who has won a $40 Good Guys Gift Card.

6th Prize winner was Rebecca Hill whio has won a $40 Good Guys Gift Card.

The Victor family’s name from Seabrook PS was drawn and has won a 2GB ipod shuffle for selling a complete raffle book.

We would like to thank the Good Guys Essendon store for their generous support with 2nd to 6th prize and Australian Fundraising Specialists.

Also a huge thank you to all the Seabrook families who bought or helped sell the raffle tickets during the term. We believe we have raised approximately $5,500. This amount will be added together with other amounts raised this year in preparation for our next major grounds project.

CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY DRIVE

Thank-you to all the families who have generously donated goods for the Laveton/Altona Meadows Bendigo Community Bank Christmas Community Gift Drive. Donations are still being accepted until Wednesday the 18th December.

Have a great week ahead.

Sue & Staff

SCHOOL BANKING

Thank you all the students and their parents that have participated in school banking for 2013.

Important dates to remember for School Banking 2014

First banking day for Preps only Tuesday 4th February 2014

First banking day for grades 1 to 6 Wednesday 5th February 2014

Commonwealth Bank account opening day Tuesday 18th February 2014. 8.30am to 9.30am & 2.30pm to 3.30pm

Congratulations to the following students who received certificates this week:

Bronze 10 deposits: Alfie Beresford, Diya Kothani and Anthon McGarry.


Gold 30 deposits: Chloe Wong, Vishwa Kannapriya, Angus Tippett, Dante Yau, Jacob Marshall and Claudia Tippett.

Do you have a school banking question or query?

Please email: seabrookschoolbanking@gmail.com

Seabrook School Banking Volunteers
Seabrook Primary School’s Christmas on the oval concert

Let’s Celebrate

We invite the Seabrook Community and their families and friends to join us as we celebrate the Christmas season.

Tuesday, 17th December

Alternative date due to the weather will be Wednesday 18th December

Prep to Yr. 2 Concert
From 6pm to 7pm (approx.)

Years 3 to 6 Concert
From 7.30pm to 8.40pm (approx.)

Seating is not provided so we suggest for your comfort to bring along chairs and picnic rugs. Students need to assemble at their classrooms no later than 15 minutes before their concert begins. Walk to school if possible, as parking will be very scarce. We request that you do not park in the shopping complex adjacent to our school.

Thank-you

Bring along a picnic basket or purchase a bbq sausage. Hot and cold drinks will also be available.
As part of our Energy unit: ‘Energy is converted and stored in various ways to support human progress’, the grade 5 students designed and created a machine or model that stores, converts or uses a form of energy. They were also required to produce a scientific method including a purpose, hypothesis, materials, procedure, results and conclusion.

On Wednesday November 27th, the grade 5 students had the opportunity to share their models and machines through a science exhibition to the rest of the school. The day was a big success; all the grade 5 students who took part should be congratulated for all their efforts. Awesome job!

During the Grade 5 Science Fair, I felt confident with explaining my project. I was proud of myself because I had completed my project without my parent’s help. I enjoyed the part when I got to introduce my class to Mr Bell. It was beneficial because it helped me to gain more confidence to speak in front of lots of people.

- Linda Yan (5JB)
Our New Butterfly Garden

Grade 1MC decided to take some positive action as a result of our Environment inquiry to invite butterflies, birds and other creatures back to our school environment. We planned and planted a Butterfly Garden, using locally indigenous plants. Newport Lakes Native Nursery very generously donated 100 plants, and Angela actually came from the nursery to help us plant our garden! Bunnings also donated some plant guards to help protect our new garden. We thank both of these organisations very much for their wonderful support.

“I enjoyed doing the letters to persuade Mrs Lee and she said YES!”
Christopher

“I learnt that not only butterflies can get food from our butterfly garden, other creatures can too.”
Meagan

“I enjoyed it because it was my first time doing it.”
Brandon

“I learnt the most important thing about planting a plant is to cover the roots with nice clean soil.”
Qiqi

We are very excited to say we have already seen a butterfly visiting our garden! We will look after our garden now and watch it grow.

“I enjoyed planting the kangaroo grass because it is cool !!!”
Addison
**Super worm juice! For Sale**

The students have been working very hard on establishing our worm farms. The worm farms are now making plenty of organic liquid fertilizer that is excellent for your vegetable garden or your thirsty plants. You can purchase these from the office for $5.00. They come in a wine bottle with our logo on it. These bottles would make a great Christmas present for mums, dads, grandmas, grandpas, aunties and uncles. A great present for that person who has everything or for that person you don’t know what to get. All the money raised from the sale of these bottles is going towards other environmental projects across the school.

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**$5 Lunch Special until the end of the year from the canteen**

For the full menu visit the schools website

Tuesday - Burger with the lot  
Wednesday - Salmon Burger (lettuce & mayo)  
Thursday - Butter Chicken Curry with rice  
Friday - Shepherd Pie

On the last day of term the canteen will only be open for the morning recess

Happy holiday time to you all from Quyen Rivera - Canteen Manager

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**PADDLES SWIM SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

- **Improve your swimming skills**
- **Join our holiday program**  
  - 6 JAN to 10 JAN 2014  
  - 13 JAN to 17 JAN 2014
- **5 Day Half Hour Daily Lessons**
- **Cost:** $70 or $140 for both sessions
- **Certificate given on completion**
- Call us for more details

Paddles Swim School  
Ph: 9315 8680
Summer Kidz programs in Hobsons Bay
The Aquatics and Recreation Victoria (ARV) will run a series of Summer Kidz programs in Hobsons Bay. They are subsidised learn to swim and water safety programs open to all residents.

They will be run at three locations over the first three weeks of January:
- Pool based program at Laverton Swim and Fitness Centre;
- Beach programs at both Altona and Williamstown beaches.

The cost for a week of 5 sessions in the pool or at the beach is $25 per participant.
For the pool based program at Laverton Swim and Fitness Centre there is an additional cost of $3.50 per day for each participant to cover their pool entry (bringing the total pool entry cost for 5 days to $17.50)

For further details and to enrol visit the VicSwim web page (www.vicswim.com.au) or call Aquatics and Recreation Victoria on (03) 9271 3800.
### SEABROOK TIMELINE

#### December 2013

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| 9 am Assembly Grades 4, 5 & 6  
**Prep Swimming** | 10  
Foundation (prep) Information Night 7 – 8 pm | 11  
Grade 6 Graduation 6.30 – 8.30 pm  
Suzanne Cory High School | 12  
Prep Assembly 2.30 - 3 pm | 13 |
| 9 am Assembly Grades 2 & 3  
**Prep Swimming**  
Regional Kanga Cricket Day | 16  
Thank-you Morning Tea for the Community Helpers  
School Concert 6 - 8.40 pm | 17  
Grade 6 Excursions Adventure Park | 18  
Last Day of School 12.45pm Assembly (whole school) 1.30pm finish |

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**Wishing you a safe and happy holiday time**

**Remember to pick up your child’s bookpacks on Thursday the 23rd January**

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**SEABROOK SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP**

Open every **THURSDAY** of the school term  
2.30pm – 3.30pm in the Seabrook Meeting Room (next to the Senior Library)

Drop in to buy or sell second hand uniform items this Thursday!

For more information contact **Kerrin** on 0414 199 877

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**FL’S PROPERTY MAINTENANCE**

- Repair leaking shower recess without removing original tiles
- Glass protection for glass shower screens
- Non-slip for tiled floor areas
- Leaking balconies
- Roof leaks, pointing of moving roof tiles
- Painting (internal & external)
- Pressure cleaning (paths & driveways)
- All general building maintenance
- **Qualified tradesman – 25 years experience**
  License number: 19797c

**MOBILE NUMBER:** 0427 644 251

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**Discover - The excellence in you**

City West Taekwondo offers students the opportunity to learn a martial art for life.

With programs for ages 5 to adults, City West Taekwondo is a community club that not only provides mental and physical stimulation, but also encourages and promotes confidence through member participation in demonstrations and competitions from club level, through to International and Olympic level.

**Bookings for term 4 are now being taken.**

**Phone:** 9748 8833 or 0431 761 958

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