From the Principal

Dear Parents,

END OF TERM
Term 1 ends on Friday 4th of April at 2.30 p.m. Please make arrangements for your child to be collected when they are dismissed from their classrooms at 2.30 p.m.

HOT DOG ORDERS
Last orders were taken today. If your child has missed out on placing their order a lunch from home will need to be supplied. The canteen will only be open for recess sales on Friday.

WORKING BEE
A huge thank you to the people who supported our first term working bees. A great deal was achieved. We hope that at our next working bee other families will be available to support. Many hands might light work. We are grateful for any time families can offer to help our grounds. Another working bee will be scheduled mid-year.

It was great to see the children from 2SL and 2RE clean their classroom chairs on Friday. Many thanks to the following people for their help over the 2 days.

Kerrin Stanley-Smith Madison, Kayla, William
Erik Grebenstein Damien Di Domenico
Davy Leung Ron Moloney
Seth Lockwood Lawrence Muir
Toula Papadimitropoulos Nicholas Roussou
Chee Yap, Siew Yee Wong Bella Page
Tony Docwra Yanix Wang, Michael
Biance Miskovic Srieatha Regatte
Austin, Sam Parker, Cody, Tyson Himanshu Arura
Tracy Wray Nicole, Shane Chappell
Dwayne McDonald Shasianna Moodley
Mustapha Barry, Aissatou Ba, Ibrahima and Binta
Melissa, Tristan Boothroyd, Joel and Flynn
Ann-Marie, Leo Lloyd, Clare and Bridget
Garth and Terri-Anne Dowling, Eloise and Olivia

After school care children volunteers

Staff who also assisted included:
Sundram Moodley Ann O’Connor Christine Mahlis
Erin Hayes Jay Basa Adam Smith
Jon Brown Nikki Lockwood Aaron Chaston
Barry Joyce Georgia Roussou Simon Luthi

DRESS UP DAY WEDNESDAY
Don’t forget about the special dress up day on Wednesday next week. The children are encouraged to dress-up to celebrate International Children’s’ Book Week. We look forward to seeing lots of characters from stories and children will be encouraged to read parts or some of their favourite books in class on the day. A gold coin donation from each child will be given to the library to purchase new books chosen by the children.
PYP COMMUNITY EVENING
A reminder that the PYP Community Evening is running this afternoon/evening. We expect all parents to attend so your children can share their classroom learning areas and help parents understand a little more about the power of the PYP curriculum provided at Seabrook Primary School. Again, a reminder to allow extra time to deal with congestion around the school between 5.00 p.m. and 8.30 p.m.

UNIFORM
The uniform committee has noticed a general decline in the consistent wearing of the Seabrook school uniform by some children. Attached to this newsletter is a reminder about the correct uniform items to be worn. Please take time to check these lists and uniform guidelines. We want to encourage our children to look smart and be proud of their uniform and school at all times.

WALK-A-THON
Our annual whole school walk-a-thon will be held on Thursday May 1st, weather permitting. The children will be bringing sponsorship forms home for the holidays next week to capture donations and sponsors from friends and family. Please do not allow your child/children to request support from anyone they don’t know or door knock without your presence. The children will be fundraising to help supply replacement shade sails. Shades sails can cost between $20,000 and $40,000 so we hope to begin saving towards these. Additional sponsor forms will be available from our website and via Skoolbag.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
School photo day is Monday 28th of April. Winter uniform is preferred and please no coloured footwear. Individual, sibling and grade photos will be taken throughout the day. The Grade 4 photos will be taken before they attend swimming.
A discount voucher for families of 3 children or more can be obtained online www.schoolpix.com.au
Orders forms will be coming home this week. Payments can be made to the school or made on-line.

Have a great week.

Regional Swimming Results
Jonathan came 2nd in Backstroke, just edged out by a fingernail and came 6th in Freestyle. Steven also came 2nd in Breaststroke. Unfortunately only the winners get to go to the State Finals, but it was a great effort by both boys. In Coco’s event, they merged 3 heats into 2 and she was put in the stronger of the two heats. She came 9th in the race but beat her PB by about two seconds which is also a fantastic effort. Well done to all three students for their wonderful achievements!

Steven

Jonathan
1WT decided that keeping a worm farm is a good way to show how we can help our environment. Worms keep the soil healthy by mixing it up and putting air in it with burrows. They also pull the leaf litter down into the soil to make compost.

We keep worms in our classroom on our artefacts table. They are living in a worm farm. They are making tunnels in the sand and the soil.
By Muskaan.

We have some worms in our classroom for our environment and inquiry learning. They live in a worm farm.
By Titus

We have worms on our artefacts table for our inquiry.
By Ruby

I liked it when I took the photos. I did this because my teacher was putting the worms, sand and soil in.
By Angus

I had fun making the worm farm. Ms Treloar had gloves on because the soil and worms can be a bit germy.
By William

I liked it, it was so fun. The worms made tunnels.
By Sayed

We made a worm farm. It was fun. Ms Treloar put newspaper down and used gloves to show us the worms so we didn’t get germs.
By Ella
Harmony Day
On Friday the 21st of March the Grade two students celebrated Harmony Day. On this day the children wore a touch of orange and also took part in learning about the importance of Harmony Day. In their classrooms the children also participated in a variety of activities such as making badges, listening to stories, painting and making multicultural people. The students really enjoyed this day as it enabled them to understand that everyone belongs in society.
Mrs Rima

2RE Celebrating Harmony Day
**LEADERSHIP in GRADE 6**

The students in 6EH have been looking at how to be effective leaders at Seabrook Primary School. We have been researching about effective leaders such as Nelson Mandela, Abraham Lincoln, Marie Curie, Tony Abbott, Mother Teresa, Barack Obama and Harriet Tubman. Students have been working hard by summarising their biographies through timelines and GIST summaries and focusing on how they have impacted the world. 6EH have showed determination to learn more about being effective leaders.

By Daniela Blazevski and Jake Hudson.

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**Seabrook Primary School provides the best education for primary students**

Seabrook Primary School (S.P.S) provides the best education for primary students. Seabrook Primary School is a school where primary students learn about different cultures, and also a variety of different subjects. Seabrook offers the Primary Years Program (PYP) where you learn about different attitudes. The teachers are always helpful and organizing extra classes for primary students. Seabrook always has a positive environment and state “Seabrook kids are friendly kids”

S.P.S is a PYP school where students learn about different PYP attitudes. S.P.S is a multicultural school where students learn about different cultures and their beliefs. S.P.S respects their beliefs as they celebrate different festivals for different cultures. Seabrook kids enjoy their learning and are always committed to learn more. Students love a challenge and are always committed to finish their work to a high standard. S.P.S students show the PYP attitudes towards the school and their classmates.

The teachers at S.P.S help the students improve their learning, as teachers take up their time to teach extra classes to primary students. The teachers at S.P.S are organized and are always prepared to give the students extra work. The teachers organize laptops for the student to use during class. Laptops are mainly used for a website called Mathletics. The students use this mainly at home, as the teachers assign tasks for the students to complete. The teachers organize excursions and camps for the students to learn more about their inquiry.

Seabrook kids are always reminded to be polite and show the PYP attitudes. At S.P.S there is no bullying and if there is students will need to be reminded about the PYP attitudes. Students are caring to the school and the other students. They will even show the PYP attitudes towards the environment. The teachers have taught the students to show respect to other people in the school.

Over all I think that Seabrook Primary School provides the best education for primary students because teachers provide extra classes, excursions/camps, which they do in their share time. It is a safe learning environment and all the PYP attitudes are taught and with them for the rest of our lives.

By Amelia Katsis
**Rationale**
The School Council has developed the Seabrook Student Dress Code and the School Council has mandated that the school uniform is compulsory for all students. The Seabrook School Council supports the wearing of a compulsory school uniform because it:

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**Student Dress Code**
Seabrook Primary School has compulsory school uniform which is available at Double C Jeanery, Aviation Road, Laverton. All items meet the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development’s Student Dress Code requirements for both sexes apart for the winter tunic/skirt, and skirt/summer dress.

**Official Summer Uniform**

**Boys**
- Seabrook Woollen jumper
- White short/long sleeve cotton collared shirt
- Navy ‘American’ trousers
- Navy ‘American’ shorts or Noone trousers

**Girls**
- Seabrook Woollen jumper
- White short/long sleeve cotton collared shirt
- Navy skort
- ‘American’ trousers or Noone trousers

*For modesty girls may wear a pair of netball, bike shorts, boy leg undergarment discreetly above hemline.*

**Socks and Footwear** *(Boys and Girls - summer and winter)*
- Socks: White or navy
- Stockings/tights/Leggings: Navy only
- Shoes: Black enclosed-toe school shoes or black runner.

*A white singlet, spencer or white t-shirt may be worn discreetly as an undergarment for warmth.*

*White polo tops, skivvies and t-shirts are not acceptable alternatives for the white cotton shirt.*

Grade 6 students have the option of ordering and wearing a grade 6 top in place of the woolen jumper which is first approved by the Uniform Committee.

**Official Winter Uniform**

**Boys**
- Seabrook Woollen jumper
- White short/long sleeve cotton collared shirt
- Navy ‘American’ trousers or Noone trousers

**Girls**
- Seabrook Woollen jumper
- White short/long sleeve cotton shirt, regular or rounded collar
- Navy ‘American’ trousers or Noone trousers
- Skirt with/without detachable bib

**Socks and Footwear** *(Boys and Girls - summer and winter)*
- Socks: White or navy
- Stockings/tights/Leggings: Navy only
- Shoes: Black enclosed-toe school shoes or black runner.

*A white singlet, spencer or white t-shirt may be worn discreetly as an undergarment for warmth.*

*White polo tops, skivvies and t-shirts are not acceptable alternatives for the white cotton shirt.*

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**Note:** Children should be neat, clean and tidy at all times.

**SPORTS WEAR**

**PREP – 2 HOUSE T-SHIRT Optional**
Grades Prep – 2 do not have an optional sports uniform as their timetabled sports activities are similar to those of general play activities during lunch and recess.

House team coloured t-shirts may be worn on Fridays and house-team events/days. House team t-shirts are available from the second hand uniform shop or Double C Jeanery. Children are placed into a house team on enrolment. (Siblings are placed in the same house team).
Uniform Policy

OPTIONAL FOR STUDENTS IN YEAR 3 TO 6 ONLY: Optional Sports Uniform

The garments listed below are optional for grades 3 – 6 ONLY and may be worn on Fridays and days of timetabled physical education lessons, walk-a-thons, games days /sports carnival interschool events such as interschool sport, cross country races, swimming carnivals, athletics events, and other sporting events as outlined by the school. Items for boys and girls include:

- Navy Seabrook Rugby top
- Seabrook maroon short sleeve polo top
- Seabrook navy track pants (2 styles with maroon trim, existing items)
- Navy ‘American’ shorts/skort (new item)
- Runners, colour optional
- Socks, white or navy

House team t-shirts. Jade, orange, cobalt and purple. These can be worn each Friday and for house team events. (Available from office.) Children are placed into a house team on enrolment. (Siblings are placed into same house teams.)

Additional Items

Skin allergies

Double C Jeanery offers the Seabrook woollen jumper (with logo) with optional cotton sleeve inserts for children who suffer from skin allergies or itching. These can be ordered from the store.

Accessories

If children are wearing accessories we request that they are in school colours.

- Navy tights, gloves, scarves may be worn.

Navy Seabrook headbands, navy scarves and navy Seabrook beanies are optional accessories and available from office.

Wet/cold Weather

Children may wear a navy coat or jacket from home for warmth or protection from the cold. (Please ensure the garments are clearly named). An approved navy jacket and a spray jacket are available from purchase form Double C Jeanery (see price list).

Jewellery

For safety reasons, no item of jewellery will be worn to school except for studs worn in pierced ears or when a letter is received from parents. (Some exemptions maybe allowed, see below).

Hats

School navy hats (bucket style, legionnaire, wide brim) will be worn first and fourth terms and on days of high UV ratings. Children without hats must play under sheltered areas. Hats are available from office or Double C Jeanery.

School Bag

There is a Seabrook school bag available that comes with a four year warranty and is osteopath and chiropractic approved. Please enquire at the school office. Style and type of bag is personal choice.

School Council Recommendations

- Long hair on boys and girls should be tied back at all times for health and safety reasons. Hair accessories should reflect the school's colour of navy and maroon (exceptions are Fridays and house-team event days where house team colours are acceptable).
- A spare set of clothes, including underwear and socks may be left at school in case of wet weather or accidents.
- Sunscreen lotion is applied before school, during hot weather and days of high UV ratings. Clear or skin tone zinc cream may be worn. Stick or roll-on sunscreen may be kept in your child’s bag to apply during the day.
- All garments have child’s name clearly marked. Names to be marked on shoes. Items of uniform should be re-named after frequent washes.
- Parents experiencing financial difficulties need to approach the Principal for assistance.
- Only students in school uniform will be permitted to represent the school for excursions and sporting events.
- Students are required to wear uniform everyday so parents are expected to purchase sufficient uniform items to ensure this

Exemptions

Exceptions from the Student Dress Code may occur for special occasions, such as dress up days, casual dress days and camps. Some exemptions from the student dress code may be provided on the following grounds: religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural grounds, students with disabilities, health conditions or economic hardships. The School Council recommends parents utilise the services of the Seabrook Second Hand Uniform shop. Request for exemption must be put in writing to the Principal where strict confidentiality will be ensured.

ENFORCEMENT

Students are expected to attend school wearing the full uniform. If students are not in uniform an explanatory note from home must be forwarded to the school. Students who are out of uniform may incur the following consequences:

- The student may be excluded from an excursion or special event
- The student may be asked to wear a clean garment from the sick bay collection
Once again, Seabrook Primary School is providing free membership to Mathletics for all of our students for use both in the classroom and at home. This powerful internet based, award winning mathematics program is an exceptional tool in promoting increased confidence, understanding and enjoyment of mathematics in our students.

Mathletics is an important resource in our classroom numeracy programs. Teachers receive a great deal of useful data from Mathletics regarding individual student’s participation and progress through the different topics completed both at school and home. Teachers can individualise Mathletics to suite each student’s ability, interests and learning requirements.

Parents can ensure that your children gets the most out of Mathletics by:

- Taking an active role in your child’s mathematics progress.
- Encourage your child to use Mathletics at least 3-5 times each week.
- Encourage a balance between the Full Curriculum section and Mathletics Live.
- Take time to work together with your child. The Support Centre in each activity will help show how to solve a particular problem.
- Encourage your child to complete activities that challenge, rather than those he/she finds easy.
- If the level your child is working at is too easy, speak to the class teacher about setting a different default level for your child.
- Celebrate your child’s success, print the certificates out and display them at home.

Mathletics is developing new activities and areas all the time. For more information on Mathletics as part of the Numeracy program at Seabrook PS, please speak to your child’s teacher.
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Osh Club News and this weeks' activities

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Parent Information

OSHC program phone: 0411-302-879
Coordinator: Carolyn
Assistants: Katie, Amanda, Koula, Jessica
OSHClub Head Office: 03 8564-9000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.
Dear Parent/Guardian,

Please be advised that if your child is required to take prescribed medication whilst at school a MEDICAL AUTHORITY FORM can be found on our Skoolbag App and the school website. This form must be filled out and signed off by your doctor before we can administer the prescribed drug. Please Note: wherever possible, medication should be given outside the school hours, e.g if medication is required three times a day it is generally not required to be taken at school: it can be taken before and after school and before bed.

If medication is to be administered at school the medication must be in the original packaging.

Should you have any questions/queries please do not hesitate to contact me at the front office.

Thank you for your support

Susan Joyce
For your information

Save this date

Week beginning
5th May

The Library will
be holding a
Scholastic Book Fair

Our newsletter is sponsored by those advertising within. We have no other direct links with them, and our policy is not to encourage or direct our school community to use a particular product or company. If you wish to place a small (business card size) advertisement in our school newsletter at a cost of $5 per week or a 1/4 page advertisement for $20 per week please contact.
Maureen Murphy on 9395 1758 or email murphy.mary.d@edumail.vic.gov.au

FLYERS: PLEASE NOTE: Unfortunately, due to the size of the school this year we are unable to distribute flyers as we have in previous years.

School Banking

Well done to the 179 students who banked last week.

Have you been to Coinland yet?
Pat, Cred, Spen, Addy and Pru are all waiting for you to come and visit. While you are there not only will you learn about saving, you will also play fantastic games at the same time.
www.coinland.com.au

Do you have a school banking question or query?
Please email:
seabrookschoolbanking@gmail.com
Seabrook School Banking Volunteers
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**Coco Tanning Boutique**
No need to wait for a special occasion to get a SPRAY TAN since they are ONLY $20! (Or just $15 for students for dancing concerts, formals etc).
Get a flawless golden colour suitable for any skin type that you can wash off in as little as 2hrs or the longer you leave it the darker it gets!
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