From the Principal

Dear Parents,

PYP EVENING
A huge thank you to all the parents and families who supported the PYP community Evening last week. The staff and your children value your time when you join us for events such as these. The classrooms were looking magnificent and the children showed confidence in their presentations. We have had a lot of feedback from families and other visitors expressing their pleasure and enjoyment at seeing what the children are learning about and hearing their reflections of the PYP. Thanks to Kerrie O’Brien and Ann O’Connor for their preparation of the night. Please see Kerrie’s full report on page 3.

DRESS UP DAY
International Children’s Book Day was celebrated in fine form today with all sorts of characters on display. This initiative was inspired by Georgia Wedding from Grade 5AC with the view of promoting reading and collecting money to purchase new reading materials for the library. Here we have prep VS and prep AS. The children loved sharing their costumes and stories.

SKOOLBAG APP
We now have 549 users on our Skoolbag App. This enables us to send information and reminders to our community. Please forgive us over the coming months as we get better at administering this app.

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Continued report from Susan Lee

SCHOOL PHOTOS
Please add to your diary Monday 28th April for our school photo day. We would like to confirm that our preference is for the children to wear winter uniform and wear black shoes. A timetable has been created to enable the year 4 swimmers to have their photos taken first and then the preps will follow.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
A reminder to all that we finish at 2.30 p.m. this Friday for the term 1 holidays. It is a normal uniform day. School begins on Tuesday 22nd April.

SCHOOL COUNCIL SUB COMMITTEES
The 2014-15 School council met this week with new office bearers and sub-committees formed. Please see which parents are representing the parent body on school council. We thank these parents and staff members in advance for their commitment. A full list of Committee Members and their roles is below.

Wishing everyone a very safe and happy holiday.

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What another successful and enjoyable night for our Seabrook community! Last Wednesday 26th March our Seabrook community enjoyed another wonderful evening at our annual PYP Community Night. Students shared their learning with presentations, powerpoints, songs, work and portfolios. The aim of this night is to provide parents and families with an opportunity to learn more about our PYP programme and to share the students’ knowledge understanding and learning of all aspects of the PYP. Year levels presented different elements of the PYP as follows.

Preps shared their knowledge about the Learner Profile through songs, work and displays. Year 1 children used powerpoints, songs, and presentations of work and learning to share their understanding of the Attitudes, in particular Respect and Caring, through their environment inquiry. Year 2 students shared Artefacts and their knowledge on International Mindedness through their cultural backgrounds. They sang a song ‘Children of the World’ and presented their work from their values inquiry. Students in Year 3 presented their understanding of the Transdisciplinary Themes (Who we are, Where we are in place and time, How we express ourselves, How the world works, How we organise ourselves, Sharing the planet) through mindmaps and displays. Year 4 students were reflective about their understanding of the Concepts using their values and beliefs inquiry through powerpoints, dance and sharing of work. Students in Year 5 showed their knowledge of the Transdisciplinary Skills (Thinking skills, Social skills, Communication skills, Self-management skills, Research skills) through mindmaps (where they linked their understanding and work with each skill) and classroom displays. Year 6 students shared their Leadership journey through presentations by each Leadership Group.

We also had our Art rooms open and games on the oval with Mr Ganley and Mr Trott. Parents enjoyed playing cooperative games with their children and also having a kick of the footy. Signora Savoia and grade 4 students presented their Venetian Masks linking to their classroom inquiry. We had music playing in the courtyard thanks to Bryan Bergman, father of Cooper in 1LJ, who stayed longer as the children were enjoying dancing so much. Our much loved BBQ was popular, thanks to all staff who helped and supported this plus our drinks station.

Thank you to the wonderful parents who came along to support your children, it is always lovely to see so many people attend these nights. We couldn’t have such successful and enjoyable nights like this if it wasn’t for our staff who support the students in their endeavours, so thanks to all staff. Another wonderful night for all.

Kerrie O’Brien
PYP Coordinator
Students in Grade 1MC enjoyed extending our indigenous garden that was started by grade one students last year. Newport Lakes Native Nursery has once again supplied the plants very generously for this project, and Angela from the nursery kindly spent time with us again to talk to the children and help us with the planting. The support of this nursery has been wonderful and our garden is beginning to look fabulous! The children have shown great interest in our environment inquiry and have enthusiastically planned for this event. We are keen to invite birds, insects and other creatures back to our school environment, and the children have had lots of fun digging, planting and watering our new plants.
This term 3EV have been investigating the PYP Transdisciplinary theme of how we express ourselves. We have been investigating the central idea that literacy has an impact on our lives.

There are five modes
- Audio
- Gestural
- Language
- Spatial
- Visual

We have been researching how we learn through each mode of literacy. 3EV have particularly enjoyed learning about the gestural mode.

Examples of some gestures are:

- Handshakes
- Body language
- Bowing and kneeling
- Sign language
- Thumbs up / thumbs down
- Hugs
- Facial expressions

We have investigated AUSLAN sign language. We have been learning the AUSLAN alphabet and how to spell our names. Have a go yourself and see how easy it is! Can you spell your own name? What else can you spell?

Miss Erin and 3EV!
Grade 6 Leadership Presentations

Throughout our first inquiry grade six have been looking into what makes a successful leader. We made mind maps, and graphic organisers that would help us gain facts about the leaders.

After a lot of research we were then asked to choose any leader by our teachers. With our chosen leader, we then researched information at school and at home. We had to write an explanation text, a timeline and a poster (which was optional, but was something they had to do if they had time) and a power-point presentation. Before we presented 6SL made a presentation assessment rubric, which we used to assess other fellow students. When everyone was finished we all presented to the whole class.

The students took real initiative on their tasks, and were successful with a little support of their teachers. Below are some pictures of students while they were presenting.

By Oscar Chopra

Sports News

Sports Trials

Well done to the following students who have progressed past the District stage of the sports trials (Soccer, AFL Football, Netball and Basketball). Shayla Curry Hughes in Soccer, Tess Meiers and Tamara James-Millar in Netball, Paul Tsapatolís in Basketball and Football and Hayden Lawlor in Football. Matthew Deeb (Basketball), Adam Frost (Football) and Shayla again in Basketball are all emergencies in case one of the selected students can’t attend the next trial day. Other students to try out were Talija Batinovic, Anne-Dyanna Jayatilake Emma Meiers in Netball. James Tsapatolis and Adam Allwood tried out for Basketball, as did Sanjana Jaiswal, Nadine Yousuf, Natalie and Kayla Alguno and Tra-Mi Gilmore for the girls. Cody Siborowski also tried out for Football. Well done to everyone and good luck to our students at the next trials after the holidays.

Grade 2 Swimming Program

The Grade 2 swimming program will be commencing in term 2, starting on May 19th and going for five Monday sessions, not including Monday 9th June as it is a public holiday. A note will come home this week with permission forms to fill in. As is the case for the swimming program, we have groups of 25 students attend and once filled there may not be any more spots available in that group. If there are remaining spots in another grade/group, students may be able to go with that group.
For your information

Mathletics

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.

Australian Mathematics Competition

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Australian Mathematics Trust (AMT) is pleased to invite our school to participate in the 2014 Mathematics Competition sponsored by the Commonwealth Bank. The date of the competition is Thursday 7th August 2014 and the entry cost is $6.00 per student. The entries are to be submitted by the school, Thursday 8th May 2014. Therefore, if your child (Years 3-6 only) is interested in participating in the Mathematics Competition, please do complete the permission slip below and return along with the payment to your child’s teacher by Wednesday 30th April 2014.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Linda Barakat
Learning Community Leader

PERMISSION SLIP – Australian Mathematics Competition (Years 3-6 only)
Thursday 7th August 2014

RETURN BY WEDNESDAY 30TH APRIL

I give permission for my child ________________________________ of Grade __________ to participate in the Australian Mathematics Competition and enclosed a payment of $6.00.

Parent/Guardian's name: ________________________________
Signed ____________________________________________ (Parent/Guardian)
Osh Club would like to wish you all a happy and safe holiday, looking forward to seeing you all again in Term 2.

For your information

Schoolpix will be visiting on Monday the 28th April

Dress: Clean and tidy as per school guidelines.
Hair: Neat and swept off your face.
Orders: Complete your order form and return to school prior to photography day (or as directed by school staff).

Pre-Orders: To pre-order online take your personal Order Number and Internet ID Number found on the reverse of the order form then log on to: www.schoolpix.com.au for secure ordering.

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Ph: 0409435034
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OSHC program phone: 0411-302-879
Coordinator: Carolyn
Assistants: Katie, Amanda, Koula, Jessica
OSHC Club 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.

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

Thank you for your support

Susan Joyce

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**Parents and friends**

During the year we send out requests for helpers to assist with fundraising, setting up for the mother and fathers day stalls and much more.

If you would like to assist or just meet for a coffee register your interest by emailing seabrookhelpers@live.com.au

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**Canteen Specials until the end of the term**

Tuesday: Sweet 'n' Sour Chicken with steamed rice $5
Wednesday: Fish 'n' Roast Potato chip $5
Thursday: Chicken Parmigiana with pasta $5

Commencing on Monday the 31st March until Thursday the 3rd April. If you order any Combo or Special Lunch Order, you will receive a FREE Paddle Pop Vanilla Ice-Cream. You will NEED the lunch order bag to verify your order.

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**Prescribed Medication Authority Forms**

For your information

Keep up to date with all that is happening at Seabrook Primary by downloading the skoolbag App

It will provide newsletters and other information.
Type ‘Seabrook Primary School’ into ITunes (iphone section) or Google Play You can apply filters to direct relevant information.

**Use the app to notify the school of your child’s absentee**
*Tap on the parent eForms tab
*Then Absentee Note
*Remember to press submit to finalise

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**iPhone**

**Android**

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Bayside P-12 College
“Opportunity & Achievement”

Year 6 to 7 Parent Information Evening
Monday 5th May - 6:30pm

“Come and see what the buzz is about”

Williamstown Year 7-9 Campus:
29-69 Kororoit Creek Road, Williamstown Tel: 9397-1377
Altona North Prep – Year 9 Campus:
1 McArthurs Road, Altona North Tel: 9391-2511

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**Gilmore College For Girls**

Accelerated Program commencing in 2015

Testing will occur on:
Friday and May at 5.00 pm
Saturday 3rd May at 10.00 am

Please ring the Office on 9689 4788 to confirm a place for the test.

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**Altona Pirates Basketball Club**

REGISTRATIONS ARE BEING TAKEN FOR PLAYERS FOR THE UPCOMING WINTER SEASON (ALL AGE GROUPS, BOYS AND GIRLS) BUT IN PARTICULAR WE HAVE VACANCIES IN TEAMS FOR UNDER 10 GIRLS (BORN 2005 AND 2006)

All club details are found on our website
altonapirates.com.au

or by emailing
registrar@altonapirates.com.au

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**Good Friday Appeal 2014 Collection Day**

The Point Cook Fire Brigade is again collecting for the Royal Children’s Hospital Good Friday Appeal. We are currently looking for people to help us cook and collect donations in the Point Cook, Seabrook, Sanctuary Lakes and Werribee South areas.

On the day we will have a bus shuttle for collectors around to strategic areas and have them return to the station throughout the day.

Date: Good Friday, 18th April 2014
Start venue: 26-30 Durnings Rd, Point Cook (Melways 207 J3)
Time: 9am – 3pm or part there of (lunch supplied)
Cost: (if any) Your time
Contact Person: Grae Nettritt
Phone: 0431 584 660
Email: goodfridayappeal@pointcookfire.org.au
Website: www.pointcookfire.org.au
Point Cook Fire Brigade and Community Good Friday Appeal 2014

If you would like to help out on the day, simply pre-register yourself, group, school or club by visiting our site or via email.

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For your information

A reminder from the library

Whilst on holidays, can I ask you to search for any books belonging to Seabrook Primary School

Thank –you
Raelene
Gramsbergen
Librarian

School Banking

Well done to the 176 students who banked last week.

There are still some rewards available from 2013 range:

- Blue Wallet,
- Headphones,
- Knuckles Game,
- Pat, Pru and Spen Moneyboxes.

If you would like to order any of these rewards please put a note along with your 10 silver tokens or 1 gold token in your banking wallet. The item will be ordered and you will receive the reward within 1 to 2 weeks. Remember that pooling of tokens is not allowed and all reward requests will be checked before a reward can be ordered.

Do you have a school banking question or query?
Please email:
seabrookschoolbanking@gmail.com

Seabrook School Banking Volunteers

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For more details call:
0411260024/0401515474
0392554999/0393950428

Special offer from Bayfit Leisure Centre

For a limited time only, we have an exclusive offer for all Seabrook Primary School staff, students & parents. Which includes, full access to the whole facility such as, fully equipped gym, group fitness classes, pool, spa, steam-room, hydro pool, members change rooms, lockers. $1 Joining Fee and 2 weeks FREE for more information please contact our membership consultant Bobby on (03) 9392-2222.

Note: Mention Seabrook Primary School to receive this special offer, this offer is valid until the 31st of May.
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**Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday time**

- **21** Easter Monday PUBLIC HOLIDAY NO SCHOOL
- **22** Term 2 commences at 8:50 am today
- **23** Anzac Day Ceremony (time to be announced)
- **24** Anzac Day PUBLIC HOLIDAY NO SCHOOL
- **28** School photos today Winter uniform to be worn today
- **29** 9am - 3pm School Nurse attending for the preps
- **30** 9:30am - 2:30pm Grade 6 Interschool Sport
- **1st May** 2:30pm - 3pm in the gym 9:30am - 2:30pm Grade 6 Interschool Sport

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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!

Call/Text Sarah: 0412 931 808

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