From the Principal

Dear Parents,

Despite it being rather cold weather hopefully all our mothers and grandmothers were spoilt last weekend for Mother’s Day. It is nice to set aside some extra special time for families to get together and celebrate these very important people!

Many thanks go to the wonderful parents who arranged the gifts for the Mother’s Day Stall. Thanks also to the many volunteers who helped on the day. Your support and time is most valued.

ABSENCES

When your child is absent or late to school we are required to request a reason for the absence. You are welcome to write a note to the class teacher brought to school by your child on their return. There are other avenues to inform us including a phone call to the school after 8:00 am, a message via the website, Skoolbag app or school email. It is very important that children attend school every day except if they are unwell or in extreme instances.

BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair was a great success again. Mrs Gramsbergen did a terrific job in setting this up with support from staff. It was wonderful to see so many families visit the display. As a result of the sales the library made approximately $ 4,000 which will be used to purchase new materials for the library. Thanks to all who helped and the families who visited the library over the week.

NAPLAN TESTS ADMINISTERED THIS WEEK

Year 3 and Year 5 students are undertaking the national tests in literacy and numeracy this week. The children were pleased that they were familiar with the formats and felt prepared. Our hope is that they feel comfortable with the testing regime so they can perform their best. We are proud of the mature way the children have approached the challenge with greater confidence. Individual results are forwarded to parents and schools later in the year.

2015 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

It is not too late to order the 2015 Entertainment Book. The school makes a little extra on the sale of every hardcopy or digital membership sold. This will be added to our tally towards our target. The $65.00 per edition is made up very easily when using 2-3 vouchers from over $20,000 of goods and services. The vouchers can be used until June 2016. Order your copy from www.entbook.com.au/1893y72

Have a great week ahead.

Sue & Staff

All editions of our newsletters have the students first name and their initial of their surname, this is to provide personal security on the web.
In Year Two, Endre Simon has been making chess fun for Seabrook students and 2MS had the privilege of learning new chess skills. Students are provided with an opportunity to learn new skills and cooperate in a group setting. 2MS students were able to have a bit of fun and play a game of chess with a friend, showcasing their new chess skills.
Three Kinds of Water

Water exists in three states - solid, liquid, and gas. Water in its liquid form is found in many places. You see liquid water coming out of the tap, when it rains, and running in a river. Pure liquid water is free of salt, rocks, soil, and garbage. Ice, snow, and frost are examples of water in the solid state. As water freezes, it turns from a liquid into a solid. Liquid water freezes at 0 degrees Celsius. Celsius is a scale that measures temperature. (This is equivalent to 32 degrees on the Fahrenheit scale.) What instrument do you use to measure temperature? Winter is a season when you see a lot of solid water. Other examples of solid water are ice cubes, icicles, ice on a skating rink.

Water also exists as a gas. Usually, you don’t see anything because gas is invisible. Water in the liquid state may change to water in the gaseous state. When water evaporates, it turns into a gas. Gases are colourless and odourless. Even though you cannot see a gas, sometimes you can hear it and smell it. Water can evaporate or disappear with the help of heat. Changes in temperature can increase the rate or how long it takes water to evaporate. If you apply heat to water, it will evaporate at 100 degrees Celsius. (This is equivalent to 212 degrees Fahrenheit.) Water can also evaporate from soil. It evaporates off of a chalkboard, from wet clothes hanging on a clothesline, and so many other places. Plants release water vapour into the air. When we breathe, we breathe out water vapour. Have you ever noticed on a very cold day, you can see your breath in the air? This is because the warm air from our lungs comes into contact with the cold air and turns back into tiny droplets of water. It is these tiny droplets that look like a cloud when we breathe out.

The changes from a solid to a liquid to a gas or from a gas to a liquid to a solid are called phase changes. When substances such as water change phase, its physical properties change, but not its chemical properties. You may often have seen water described by its chemical name, H2O. (That means that the water molecule is made up of two hydrogen atoms and one oxygen atom.)

Melting, freezing, condensation, and evaporation are examples of phase changes. The phase of a substance depends on temperature and pressure. When water changes phase, its chemical make-up does not change. Its appearance and state of matter, though, may be different.

Have a go at rereading the text and try to answer the following questions.

1. What are the three states of matter in which we can find water?
2. Why does the water molecule remain unchanged when it passes from one state to another?
3. When we see “smoke” coming out of our mouths on a very cold day, what are we actually seeing?
4. How can you change water from a liquid to a gas?
5. How can you change water from a solid to a liquid?
State Hockey Team

Congratulations to Josie E from grade 6, who has successfully made the State Girls Hockey team for the second year in a row. This is a wonderful achievement. This year Josie will head to Perth for the competition in August and we wish her and her team mates the best of luck against the other states. We will hopefully have a fundraiser of some kind for Josie in the coming weeks to help contribute towards her costs for the trip.

Blair Ganley

The Book Fair was a great success.
Many thanks to all our Seabrook families for your purchases. The money raised will go towards topping up the library with additional books and purchasing books for the Inquiry tubs and Guided Reading sets.

Raelene Gramsbergen
Librarian

Football Wallet

Found
Being held in the office for collection.

KEEPING INFORMED AT SEABROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL

At Seabrook we are endeavouring to keep our community up to date with all events and news.

- The Seabrook app can be downloaded from your smart phone.
- Emails can be received for all our notifications. Simply visit the schools website www.seabrook.vic.edu.au scroll to the bottom of the front page and click on Skoolbag icon to subscribe.
- Visit the Seabrook Primary School website.
- Printed weekly newsletter (available until June 26th 2015 after that date by request only).
NAIDOC WEEK will be celebrated nationally across Australia from July 5-12 (school holidays). However, to enable grades to link their Inquiry Units with NAIDOC Week, Seabrook Primary will be celebrating it in conjunction with Reconciliation Week from the 25-29th of May.

The 2015 National NAIDOC theme is: 
**We all Stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate.**
and the theme for Reconciliation Week is: 
**it’s time to change it up!**

Fred Reid and Troy Allen will be presenting the incursions to the grade preps, 1s and 5s. They will use song, music and the didgeridoo, dance, artefacts, examples of ancient rock and cave paintings to tell the stories of their people.

Koori Kids is once again promoting the colouring-in competition for prep-2 and the short story writing competition for grades 3-6. To support the Koori Kids Foundation, the NAIDOC pencil packs will again be available for sale at a cost of $2.50 during recess and lunch times. The grade 5s, with the assistance of Ms Payne and Mr Basa, will be managing this. (Thank you grade 5s). Our participation in the sale of these NAIDOC packs will help support a range of initiatives targeted at providing equal opportunities to children in indigenous communities.

Thank you parents for your support of NAIDOC/Reconciliation Week 2015 at Seabrook Primary.

_Sundram Moodley_  
_Acting Assistant Principal_
For Your Information

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK FUNDRAISER

Order forms have been distributed for the 2015-6 Entertainment book. There is an enormous variety of special deals on offer including food vouchers, fun family activities and travel. Please help the school by encouraging your family members, neighbours and work colleagues to buy a copy or an on-line version. Great savings are possible and families who buy the book for $65 find they cover the cost of the book in using 2-3 of the hundreds of vouchers and special deals available.

To order your Entertainment Book visit www.entbook.com.au/1893y72

“Caccia al Tesoro” meaning Treasure Hunt

Caccia al Tesoro will include questions or trivia or things that the children will need to go home and find out/research for Italian. This week it will be ...“Can you name all the Italian soccer teams in the A - League?”

Italian - WORD OF THE WEEK

This weeks word is - “scrivere”
Meaning - to write, writing

Learning Time

Dear Parents,

Whilst we appreciate you visiting classrooms before and after school to support your child and show interest in their work some parents are lingering in the classroom after the music has started. This is impacting on learning time.

We need all parents (unless you are a classroom helper) to leave the classroom once the music starts. If you have any concerns that need to be discussed during learning time please come to the office and speak to an assistant principal.

We are very proud of the high achievement of our students. One of the reasons our children learn to such a high level is that we instil a respect for learning and utilise all available learning time.

Thank you for your understanding, Ann O’Connor Assistant Principal
**VISITOR’S PASS**

Occupational Health & Safety Regulations require any person working at Seabrook Primary School including Parent Helpers to **SIGN IN**, **COLLECT PASS**, **SIGN OUT** and return the Pass when leaving.

If you are working in the Grade 1 area, you can sign in/out in the Grade 1 Building.

All others are asked to come to the office.

Thank you for your co-operation.

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**Prescribed Medication Authority Form**

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 should 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 contact the Leadership Team.

Thank you for your support

Principal Susan Lee
CFME Coaching

Get Maths/English help for your child early!
(A stitch in time saves 9)

Early intervention in Maths/literacy skills creates confidence in later studies.

Seize the service of a seasoned coach to mould your child's study habits.

Get the coaching done at your child's school, save some travelling time.

Call Margaret today on: 0447 030 840
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Bridges Foster Care Program

Bridges Foster Care is looking for Caregivers to provide a safe, supportive, caring, and stable environment for young people aged between birth & 17 years in your own homes. As a Foster Carer, you can help to make a difference in the life of a vulnerable child or children who are unable to live with their natural family.

Caregivers can be individuals, female or male, couples, or families, can work part-time, full-time, or be at home full-time. Bridges program workers provide on-going support and training to caregivers and their young people, including a 24 hour, 7 day a week on-call service.

If you are interested in making a positive difference in a young person’s life and want to find out about becoming a foster carer please give us a call on 9742-6452 and request an information pack.

MSJ Open Mornings
9.30am – 10.30am (Thursday)
28th May, 18th June, 13th August, 10th September, 12th November

MSJ Open Day 2015
Sunday 11th October, 11.00am – 2.00pm

MSJ College Production
Beauty and the Beast is coming to MSJ.
Keep the following dates free:
Friday 19th June @ 7.00pm
Saturday 20th June @ 12.30pm and 7.00pm

MSJ 2016
Limited places are available for 2016. Further information can be found at our website www.msj.vic.edu.au or by contacting the College Registrar at registrar@msj.vic.edu.au or Ph: 8398 2007.
For your information

EVERY TUESDAY MORNING IS MILO MORNING!

Come in and have a glass of warm milo to get you ready for the day!

We hope to see you there next Tuesday!

OSH Club Program Phone: 0411 302 879
Coordinators: Katie and Amanda
OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is free!
Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au where all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account!

School Banking - Wednesday

Well done to the 186 students who banked last week.

Congratulations to the following students that received a bronze certificate this week for 10 deposit:

Saving regularly is an important habit to get into, whether you are saving a little or a lot. Keep up the great work and remember to bring in your deposit book each Wednesday. Thank you for supporting the School Banking Program.

Do you have a school banking question or query? Please email: seabrookschoolbanking@gmail.com
School Banking Volunteers
School Banking is shooting for the stars.

At the beginning of 2015, the School Banking program launched students on a mission to save by making regular deposits into their Youthsaver account. In just one term, over 958,000 School Banking deposits were made around Australia. It’s a fantastic result that’s seen thousands of Australian children begin their savings mission.

Rewarding good savings behaviour with two new items

To help keep students on track with their savings mission in Term 2, we’ve released two new awesome reward items from our Outer Space Savers range. Students just need to make 10 School Banking deposits to be able to redeem a reward item.

Invisible Ink Martian Pen

Intergalactic Rocket

You could win a 5 nights’ family trip to California’s Disneyland

Don’t forget, students who consistently display stellar savings behaviour by making 25 or more School Banking deposits in 2015 will automatically go into the draw at the end of the year to win a family trip to California’s Disneyland.

For more information visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking
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**Saturday 13th June - 2016 Prep School Tour 10am - 11am**

2015 advertising prices for our weekly newsletter

$5.50 including GST for a business card size advertisement

$22 including GST for a 1/4 page advertisement

Contact: Maureen Murphy on 9395 1758 or email: murphy.mary.d@edumail.vic.gov.au