From the Principal
Dear Parents / Guardians

We are proud to announce that Seabrook Primary School has again received excellent results in the government testing program NAPLAN. In 2015 our Year 3 students scored very highly, we are above the state in all areas. In fact over 30% of students scored at the highest level possible, in Reading (43%), Writing (31%), Spelling (31%), Grammar and Punctuation (46%) and Numeracy (34%), at Level 6 or above. These are very strong results indeed. Our Five Year Trend data shows that we continue to build on strong results and show improvement over this time.

Our Year five students were also above the state in all areas. In Reading, Grammar and Numeracy over 30% of students scored at the highest possible level at Level 8 or above. Another area of pride is the significant growth exhibited by the students from Year 3 to Year 5. Over 80% of students demonstrated medium to high growth from Year 3, with 46% of students showing high growth in Numeracy.

Please return Earn & Learn stickers by Tuesday the 8th of Sept as this is the last day for this programme.

continued report on the following page
We are very proud of our high results which confirm that our hard work is paying off and “we are doing the right work” (Robert Marzano) with our learning and focus. We congratulate all the children for working hard and achieving their very best. We thank the teachers for their hard work and dedication, we appreciate the support given by our parents and we are thankful for our committed leadership team who work very hard to support teachers and students and to reassure parents.

In conjunction with an outstanding evaluation report from the International Baccalaureate, these NAPLAN results confirm that we are providing a top quality education for the children at Seabrook, even with staff changes and doubling in size we have remained focused on learning and ensuring all children work and achieve at the highest level possible.

A great effort by all at Seabrook.

**SUN SMART**

The Cancer Council has changed their policy regarding the sun smart practice of wearing hats. Research has determined that the harmful UV rays are present earlier than thought and now schools and child care centres are observing the wearing of hats from September to May, not necessarily within the school terms. We are asking children to find their hats and start wearing them this term. We will be enforcing the ‘no hat, no play’ rule. Children without hats will be asked to move under the shelter of the rotunda at the rear of the courtyard. Our new shaded area is not to be used as an excuse by children for not wearing their hats. Hats are required for all sporting and other outdoor activities.

**FATHER’S DAY STALL**

This is a reminder that children can bring their $5.00 for their gift on Thursday along with a plastic carry bag. Parents able to help with the gift selection time on Thursday are also required. Thanks to our parent helpers in advance.

**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

The term break is fast approaching. We are celebrating the last week of term with Italian Week, with a range of activities. The canteen will be offering some Italian choices for lunch so please see the menu. On Friday the children are invited to wear colours of the Italian flag as ‘free dress’. School finishes at 2:30pm on Friday 18th of September.

**TRIVIA NIGHT**

This event will commence at 7pm sharp this Friday with doors opening at 6:30pm. It should be a fun night with many great prizes and raffles to raise funds to develop our soccer pitch area. BYO cold food only and drinks are at bar prices. Don’t forget to bring plenty of gold coins. Eftpos will be available for purchases. D’Olive Receptions does not have ATM facilities.

Enjoy your week ahead.

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*Here are a couple of photos of the new undercover area being used on a rainy day last week by 1AD. We are having 2 pre service teachers from Victoria University come in to run 4 PE session over 4 weeks. It was raining on the first session and the undercover space was just what we needed and it was great.*
Grade Two students have been investigating the Central Idea ‘Ideas and creativity change the way we live’. In the art room, grades 2LM, 2KA and 2MK have looked at the book, The Lost Thing, written by Shaun Tan. After reading, the grade two students watched a short film of The Lost Thing. Supporting the classroom’s inquiry, the grade two students were asked to sketch a picture of a Lost Thing in their visual diaries. The Lost Thing was required to identify a problem and solve it using ‘ideas and creativity that can change the way we live’. An example of this is Vedansh’s (2KA) Lost Thing, a toaster that has wings and delivers your toast by flying to you, flipping upside down and dropping the toast on your plate. Great creativity Vedansh!

A colour picture was drawn of the Lost Thing and we made a 3D sculpture using plasticine. Once we made the parts of our sculpture, we used a multimedia iPad app called Tromarama from the National Gallery of Victoria. The students have been creating digital stop-motion animation and turned our Lost Thing into a short film. Congratulations Grade Two students on displaying creativity and curiosity. Some of you were risk takers during this inquiry when making sculptures and your short film, as these were new experiences. It was great to hear some classes were able to include the Lost Thing in the recent Grade Two Expo.

Also, thank you to Mrs Manion, Miss A, and Ms Knight for lending the iPads and supporting the art program. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Mrs Baillie-Martin
Art Teacher
Our invention expo was a great success. Lots of visitors (Mums and Dads) came to see our wonderful contraptions. We had lots to show and share. Some of our inventions were very innovative; they included house cleaners, babysitters, food preparers and even gold miners.

We began our inquiry by researching lots of inventors from the past and the present. We were inspired to create our own inventions. First, we drew our designs, and then we collected what we needed to make our designs into our creations. After painting, gluing, sticking and foiling our inventions were complete. We had to try and sell our ideas and prototypes and hopefully inspire our visitors to invest their money into our design.

Zac – I enjoyed presenting my invention to the visitors.
Sahana - I enjoyed making my invention. I put a lot of effort into it. I liked making the hair for my robot.
Dia – I liked painting my invention.
Arnesh – I enjoyed explaining to the visitors my invention and how it worked.
Charlotte – I really like visiting other classes to see the other Grade 2 inventions.
Aimen – I liked making my cleaning machine. 'The Cleaner God'.
As part of our inquiry into, “People move to and stay in areas for a variety of reasons,” students in 5EP explored Melbourne’s Immigration Museum on Wednesday the 19th of August.

Students firstly learnt about people’s migration stories and journeys while “unpacking” their luggage and belongings. Part of the fun included trying on the various clothes worn throughout history and looking at objects from different eras and religions. We displayed curiosity towards our new unit of inquiry through asking interesting questions and participating in various discussions.

The next part of the day involved looking through the museum at the different displays where lots of photos, facts and statistics helped us to understand Australia’s Immigration history a bit better.

It was wonderful for students to make connections with our previous inquiry and, more importantly, with their own personal family histories.
Italian News

Italian Week

14th – 18th of September 2015

All grades will be invited to take part in celebrating Italian week and share some of our passion for Italian art, music, sport, food, fashion and culture in this very special week. All grades will be given the opportunity to be involved in activities to celebrate our learning of the Italian language and culture at Seabrook Primary School.

**Lunedì – L’Arte**
Monday – Arts
La bandiera – The Flag

**Martedì – La Musica**
Tuesday – Music
Le danze popolari - Balla con noi!

**Mercoledì – I giochi**
Wednesday – Sports and Games
Lo sport

**Giovedì – La cucina**
Thursday – Food
Il cibo
It can’t be Italian Week without Italian Food!
Students might like to try different kinds of Italian food available at over the counter sales at the canteen.
Buon Appetite!

**Venerdì – La moda**
Friday – Fashion
La moda

To conclude the Italian Week on Friday the 18th of September we invite students to come to school dressed up in Italian costumes or colours!
You may wear a sport outfit, a Carnevale costume and mask, a traditional costume from one the Italian Regions, or simply wear Italian Colours Bianco, Rosso, Verde (the flag colours), or Azzurro (the colour that represents Italy in international sport competitions).

In addition, there will also be competitions and a raffle throughout the week. Stay tuned…

**Buon divertimento!**
Le Azzurre: Elena, Paula, Ros - the Italian Team

During junior and senior lunch breaks, the children will have the opportunity to purchase raffle tickets at 10c each to go into the draw to win an Italian hamper prize, one for the junior school and one for the senior.

Buona Fortuna
Seabrook’s canteen is also celebrating the Italian week. As well as the usual items on the canteen menu, the children can also order from the Italian lunch specials on each day during Italian week.

**ITALIAN WEEK SPECIALS**

Date **SEPTEMBER 14TH—18TH**

**MONDAY**
Spiral Pasta and Meatballs
PASTA A SPIRALE E POLPETTE

**TUESDAY**
Spaghetti and Tomato Sauce
SPAGHETTI E POMODORA SALSA

**WEDNESDAY**
Fettuccine Alfredo
FETTUCCINE ALFREDO

**THURSDAY**
Penne with Bolognese Sauce
PENNE CON SALSA BOLOGNESE

**FRIDAY**
Canteen Closed

**AVAILABLE DAILY**
Chicken Parmigiana Rolls
INVOLTINE DI POLLO PARMIGIANA

3.50

3.50

3.50

3.50

4.50

SEABROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL

CANTEEN

ORDERS TO BE PLACED DAILY IN CLASS LUNCH CRATE

Italian delicacies available for purchase at recess and lunch breaks
For your information

We are pleased to announce that Skoolbag is now available for Windows Phones running version 8.1 of Windows, and Windows devices running Windows 8.1 or 10 (eg Surface tablet, Laptop, PC etc).

This makes the app even more accessible than before for our community, with the ability to receive messages directly to a PC, Laptop, or Surface Tablet running Windows 8.1 or 10.

To install Skoolbag on your Windows device, look up "Skoolbag" in the Windows Store, and install it. Once installed you can find our school, and pin it to your Windows Home Screen.

Please note: You must be running at least Windows 8.1 on your device for the app to function.

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

Heart Shaped Stone Ring
Found in the sandpit.
See Mrs Cassar in the office for collection

Silver ring

FOUND

INCURSION / EXCURSION / FUNDRAISING MONEY

When sending in money for incursions, excursions, fundraising etc., please send in the correct money and ensure that you have separate envelopes for each separate activity/event. We cannot accept foreign coins, as they are rejected by the bank, so therefore these will be returned to you. Please check you have included Australian currency only. Money is not kept in the office so we cannot provide change.

Parents need to give the correct money in a clearly marked envelope, in the mornings only, to the classroom teacher. Teachers are unable to accept money at the end of the school day as they are unable to leave money in the classroom. Cash payments are not accepted at the office. Parents are welcome to call into the school office to collect a few school payment envelopes to leave at home for this purpose. Alternatively, please ensure that the money is in a clearly marked envelope with student’s name, grade and amount and activity/event. Payments by Credit Card / Eftpos need to be in the amount of $10.00 or more.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yvonne Golomb Administration
Outdoor play the SunSmart way!

SunSmart promotes active, outdoor play across the day throughout the year and doesn’t request that children’s outdoor time be restricted due to the sun’s UV levels.

Please make sure a combination of sun protection measures are used during the daily sun protection times to ensure children can engage in fun, sun safe outdoor play.

Why?

Some sun exposure is important for vitamin D which is essential for healthy bones and muscles, and for general health.

But too much sun can cause skin and eye damage and skin cancer. Sun exposure during childhood and adolescence is a major factor in determining future skin cancer risk.

How?

Check SunSmart’s daily sun protection times so you know when you do and don’t need sun protection each day. These are available as a free app, online (sunsmart.com.au), in the weather section of the newspaper or as a free website widget. Perhaps you can add the widget to your service’s website?

If you can’t check the sun protection times each day, use these 5 SunSmart steps from September to the end of April in Victoria (NOT just terms one and four).

1. **Slip** on cool, covering clothing that covers as much skin as possible.
2. **Slop** on SPF 30 or higher broad spectrum sunscreen. Make sure you apply a generous amount and keep reapplying it every 2 hours. Check the expiry date.
3. **Slap** on a wide brimmed hat that shades the face, neck, ears and eyes (Baseball or peak caps don’t measure up so leave those on the hat rack!)
4. **Seek** shade – try a shady tree, verandah, pergola or shade sail, umbrella or tepee!
5. **Slide** on some sunglasses where practical. They should be labelled AS 1067 so you know they are UV protected.

In Victoria from May to August sun protection is not usually needed so put the sun gear away to get some winter vitamin D. Check the sun protection times to be sure.

**Seek shade**

Good quality shade can reduce overall exposure to the sun’s UV. When combined with appropriate clothing, hats and sunscreen, children can be well protected from UV overexposure when outdoors.

Research shows that spacious preschool environments with trees, shrubbery, and broken ground triggers more physical activity and provides better sun protection in outdoor play. Shady and natural play spaces are also requirements of the Education and Care Services National Regulations (Reg. 113,114)

- How shaded is your outdoor play area from September to the end of April?
- Use SunSmart’s shade audit to check if your shade is adequate.

Web: sunsmart.com.au
Phone: 9514 6415
Email: sunsmart@cancervic.org.au
### Every Minute Counts

**Just a little bit late doesn’t seem much but...**

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**Did you know your child’s best learning time is the start of the school day?**

That’s when every minute counts the most!
Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student will be:
- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

How to Apply
Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Closing Date
Applications are open until the end of term three (18 September 2015).

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Reminder: Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund applications close on the 18th September.
Local Matters is the Grill’d community donation program that sees each Grill’d restaurant donate $500 back into the community every month. The donation is split between 3 local community groups $300 / $100 / $100.

**HOW YOU CAN HELP?**

We’d love your support in receiving the highest $300 donation! Simply head to Grill’d Point Cook during September, for a burger and pop your Local Matters token in our jar. The group with the most tokens at the end of the month receives the largest donation.

It’s a simple (and delicious) way to show your support!

You’ll find us on a jar at Grill’d Point Cook, Cnr Main & Murnong St (Coles Precinct) Point Cook.
**For your information**

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21-25 September 2015

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**Pink Zebra Parties**

- **Pink Zebra’s First Birthday Extravaganza**
  - Friday 18th Sept 6-8pm $10 per child ages 3+
- **Princess & The Popstar High Tea**
  - Friday 25th Sept & Friday 2nd of Oct 11-1pm
  - $25 per child
- **Chef for a Day Holiday Program**
  - Tuesday 22nd Sept 10-3pm $35 per child ages 3+
- **Craft & Mad Scientist Holiday Program**
  - Tuesday 29th Sept 10-3pm $35 per child

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at 10.00am

Come along to an Information Day at the Track on Saturday 26th September 2015 from 10-12pm

or register online before the 4th of October:
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Children aged 5 to 15 learn skills of running, jumping and throwing in a safe and friendly environment.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT HOLIDAY PROGRAM?
Below are the daily themes and excursions!

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For children in grade 4, 5 and 6, our Big Kid’s Day Out excursion to Luna Park is on Friday 2th of September!
For more information, go to www.oshclub.com.au!

OSHC Program Phone: 0411 302 879
Coordinator: Katie and Amanda
OSCHClub 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!

Save and win a trip to Disneyland!
This year, School Banking is taking you on a mission to Planet Savings. There are eight new awesome rewards to choose from, plus we’re introducing a new Grand Prize competition where you could win a family trip to Disneyland.
How to enter - All you need to do is simply make 25 or more School Banking deposits during 2015 and you’ll automatically go into the Grand Prize competition. Find out more at commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

The Grand Prize - A family trip for up to two adults and two kids to California’s Disneyland, including:
• Return flights to LA and airport transfers • 5 nights at a Disneyland hotel • 3 day pass to Disneyland • Enjoy Space Mountain, rollercoasters and hundreds of rides • Meet Mickey Mouse and other Disney characters • AUD$2,000 spending money.
The following students are the first to be entered into the draw from Seabrook Primary after making 25 deposits and not missing a week since the start of 2015. Well Done!

Do you have a school banking question or query? Please email: seabrookschoolbanking@gmail.com
School Banking Volunteers
### SEABROOK TIMELINE

#### Sept 2015

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<td>Last day for Term 3 students will be dismissed for the holidays at 2:30pm</td>
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**Italian Week 14th — 18th**

Daily activities and canteen menu refer to pages 6 & 7

During junior and senior lunch breaks, the children will have the opportunity to purchase raffle tickets at 10c each to go into the draw to win an Italian hamper prize, one for the junior school and one for the senior.

Buona Fortuna

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**Italian - WORD OF THE WEEK**

This week’s word is – “conoscincza”

Meaning - knowledge

Pronunciation - konoshenza