From the Principal
Dear Parents / Guardians

AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION
Congratulations to all the children who participated in this year's Australian Mathematics Competition last term. This year eighty-six students participated in the event with 25 students being awarded with a distinction placing them in the 2-5% within the state. The results show an improvement in the overall competencies from last year and we are extremely proud of all the students. A report by Simone Lazaridis is on page 8.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP
Our volunteer Hannah runs the Seabrook Uniform shop (2:30 – 3:30pm) in the meeting room each Thursday afternoon. Please drop by and have a look at second hand garments for sale or leave clean, wearable garments to add to the stocks for sale.

BOOKLIST FOR 2016
Booklist are almost ready to send home. Book pick up day is Thursday 21st January 2016. Please add this to your calendar.

KINDER KIDS
It was a magnificent afternoon for Seabrook to host our next year’s prep children as part of their transition into school. The children enjoyed the activities prepared by our staff. The afternoon of games and activities finished off with a barbecue. Parents also had an opportunity to meet one another as they socialised in the courtyard. Thanks to all the staff who supported this event.

CHESS NEWS
Our participation in the Chess festival continues and we wish to thank the following local organizations for their valued support. To Seabrook Caltex who donated money to allow us to pay the registration fee, Barry Plant Real Estate contributed to purchase of the medals for the afterschool chess tournament, Sanctuary Lakes Real Estate kindly printed the participation certificates to be awarded to the 620 children who participated in the chess challenge. We are looking for further donations to help purchase the pieces for a giant courtyard chess set. Macleod Paints Pty Ltd is donating the paint for the chessboard.

Five Seabrook Students represented the school in a team effort this week winning their way into the State Chess Finals to be held next month. Congratulations to Steven, Christian, Oliver, Erica and Patrick. Several children will also be representing the school next Monday in Chess Kids tournament playing in the final. We wish them well.

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SAFETY  
We have had some reports of Seabrook children darting between traffic on Point Cook Road out of school hours. Please remind your children about crossing the road safely using the pedestrian crossings or crossing safely at the roundabouts.

GRADE 5 CAMP  
The grade five students headed off to camp at Sovereign Hill this morning. Having been on this camp several times it is an excellent experience for the children in helping them appreciate time and place in Victorian history. We have heard they arrived safely before lunch.

WEBSITE TRANSLATOR  
Did you know that our website can be translated into most major languages. If you know someone who would benefit from this please let them know. The translator is located on the home page of the school’s website.

NEW SHADE SAILS  
All our shade sails have been re-erected following the winter period. Part of the fund raising money went to increasing the height of the pole for the sails by the canteen. This will hopefully detract vandals from using this as a trampoline and causing significant damage in the past.

WORKING BEE  
Friday 13th November after school has chosen for our summer working bee. The projects we will be undertaking include sanding and varnishing bench seating, painting wooden rails and painting our small wall at the front of the school. Other general tasks like sweeping, weeding and class room chair cleaning will take place. We are hoping for lots of helpers from 3:30pm. Parents wishing to claim their voluntary working bee levy may claim this on the day.

CHOCOLATE DRIVE PRIZES  
Sorry for the delay with awarding the prizes. We had 4 second place winners and have had to order additional prizes.

RECIPES WANTED  
Your favourite family recipes are still needed for our Seabrook Cook Book. Please submit them as soon as possible at the following website  
www.publishedauthors.com.au

Have a great week ahead.  
Sue & Staff
Curriculum News

An exciting start to Term 4 with many classes looking forward to camps and excursions as part of their final inquiry!

Preps have been to the Sun Theatre to see a delightful film about dealing with our emotions. We were very proud of the good behaviour of the Preps. The children were reflective during their discussion and follow up of the film, which has helped during their investigations into how we express ourselves. Another exciting excursion is planned to Chesterfield Farm where the children will learn where our food comes from.

Year 1 are enjoying swimming. As well they are looking forward to their extended stay in November. Their new unit of inquiry is focussed on health, promoting a balanced life style.

As part of their inquiry into systems that help support health and wellbeing Year 2 have visited the Altona Community. The children visited facilities and services such as the library, Post Office, Council, Salvation Army, medical clinics, the Lifesaving Club, the Vet and gym and will discuss the ways community services can support a healthy lifestyle.

The Year 3 camp is coming up in early November. This is fantastic, active, outdoor camp where children learn to cooperate and have fun with a wide variety of friends. The children develop independence and confidence. For many children this is the first time they have been on camp and it is very pleasing to see the children thrive on new and exciting experiences.

We are thrilled that Year 4 has been able to arrange an excursion to the education centre at Melbourne Zoo. This is part of their work on animal adaptation, a relatively new unit of inquiry developed in light of AusVELS science requirements. We trialled this unit last year and the children really enjoyed their investigations into animal adaptation and survival.

Year 5 are all ready to head off to camp at Sovereign Hill. As well as experiencing many aspects of Australian history the camp will further develop understandings about migration and settlement.

This is a busy term for Year 6, full of mixed emotions as they enjoy their final time with their primary school friends and look forward to the transition to secondary school. This week they are off to the planetarium as part of their inquiry into space technology. On December 6th many will spend the day at their new school. The Year 6 graduation is on Monday December the 14th and the Fun Day will be on Thursday December the 17th.

We wish all children and staff well during this very busy and productive term.

Ann O’Connor
Assistant Principal
On Monday 19th October the Preps were lucky enough to have a performance from Scott Hone (Ollie 0AC). Scott has worked as a performer for Circus OZ and offered his services as part of our inquiry “We express ourselves creatively”. Scott performed with his BMX bike and rode it forwards, backwards, sidewards, going forwards backwards… and the list goes on! He left most of the Preps wondering how it was possible. They showed lots of enthusiasm, cheering and clapping wildly with awe as we enjoyed the show. Scott also demonstrated his juggling skills and for his grand finale he rode with three preps on his bike! Well done Holly, Piper and Ollie for being risk takers and riding the bike with Scott. A big thank you to Scott for the performance and for the Sarah for arranging this opportunity for all of the Preps.
When learning about the impact human actions have on Endangered Animals Prep OML decided to take action by raising money and contributing to the fight against the extinction of the Eastern Barred Bandicoot.
Well Done Prep OML on showing how spare change can make a difference!

Seabrook News

Seabrook Primary school will be participating in an international chess challenge this week. It will involve all grades from 2 – 6. This is an excellent opportunity for Seabrook as we are one of the only Australian schools to be participating. The children will all receive a certificate for participating. As we know chess has an important part in education, it has many benefits from problem solving to strategic thinking involved. For more details type globalchessfestival judit polgar into your search engine.

Italian - SENTENCE OF THE WEEK
This sentence is - Devo mettermi il cappello
Meaning - I must wear my hat.
Last Wednesday 14th of October we had our new preps of 2016 and their families visit for a Games and BBQ Evening. We had great weather and a perfect afternoon. Children rotated through a series of activities having lots of fun. It was also a chance for families to have a little chat with our prep teachers about our prep program. A special thank you to the prep team and staff who supported this transition event to make it a success.

Sundram Moodley
Acting Assistant Principal
The Write Track

Emma B and Ailis P submitted their stories into a writing competition called; Write4Fun and they were runners up! Their stories were published into a book that holds a collection of selected finalists. It is an absolute honour and privilege to submit their stories into this week’s newsletter. I, as well as the authors, hope you enjoy their stories.

The Palace Princess

For my family and Seabrook Primary School

Once upon a time there was a beautiful princess called Ruby. She was not the normal princess you would expect. The thing is she did not want to be a princess. She even asked the queen if she could leave.

One day she thought of a way how she could escape the horror of the palace. Her fantastic idea was to escape out of the palace window and catch a taxi all the way to the country side and when she gets there she will fully cover her identify and then live life as a normal person and enjoy the wonderful country side. And that plan she followed.

So she set out on her mission to the countryside. When she pulled off the window trick and the long drive, all she had to do was cover her identity and then she had escape she got a farm, got a job and lived a happy ever after.

Emma B, Grade 4

The Secrets

I dedicate this to my Mum and best friend, Charley. They have been with me every step.

Deep in the forest, the secrets of life are held. Each secret is held in a box. One day a hero decided to find and steal these secrets, but the boxes were locked, for only the most compassionate and courageous heroes get to use these secrets but this hero was greedy and cowardly. His intention was to keep the secrets all to himself right from the start. The boxes grew weak from being handled so roughly.

The day after, another hero came. He tried to open the boxes, nevertheless they were locked, for this hero only wanted the fame and to be the most intelligent person on the whole planet. The man tried and tried however, the boxes refused to open. They grew weaker and easier to open. The next day, not a hero, but a burglar came. As you may know, he tried to open them, and the boxes opened, BOOM! There was a flash of light. The secrets scattered all over the land, under rocks and in trees, in the sea and underground. They are still held there to this day. Can you find these secrets?

Ailis P, Grade 4
Congratulations

On the 30th of July, Seabrook students from year levels 3 - 6 participated in the ‘Australian Mathematics Competition’ (AMC) sponsored by the ‘Commonwealth Bank’, which is a truly international competition with students competing throughout the ‘Pacific and South-East Asia’.

The ‘Australian Mathematics Competition’ is a school mathematics event promoting the practical application of mathematics in an enjoyable way. It tests everything from basic numeracy skills through to advance problem solving.

Eighty-six Seabrook students competed and were awarded the following certificates:

1 High Distinction
25 Distinction
28 Credit
30 Proficiency
2 Participation

‘CONGRATULATIONS’ to all students who competed and achieved outstanding results. Students will be presented with certificates during morning assembly on the following dates:

Year levels 5 & 6 - 26/10/2015
Year levels 3 & 4 - 02/11/2015

Simone Lazaridis
Literacy Support

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.
Sport News

Regional Athletics

Well done to our 14 students who competed at the Western Region Athletics last Tuesday at Keilor. The competition was a stronger level again and we had a few students who have made it to the State Finals again, which is a fantastic effort. Andreas W came 1st in the Long Jump with a jump of 4.58m and 4th in 200m with 28.99 sec. The relay team he was in also did very well, just missing out on the State finals by coming 3rd (58.55 sec). Ethan N, Johnathan CH & Jim B were in the team and all ran well. Abbey G performed strongly in the sprinting events, coming 2nd in the 100m (14.98 sec) and 200m (31.70 sec). Monique G qualified in the 800m, coming 2nd as well (2.45 min) and just missed out in the long jump (4th place- 3.63m).

Good luck to Andreas, Abbey and Monique at the State Championships
There are many talented Seabrook students currently preparing art pieces for the upcoming Art Auction to be held at Masters in Williams Landing during the evening on Thursday the 26th November. The Art Auction is a joint initiative with Masters and Barry Plant - Point Cook. Masters have generously supplied the canvasses and materials. Barry Plant will be professionally auctioning the art pieces. Monies raised will be donated to Seabrook Primary School.

The art pieces are all collaborative works; each piece has either a class creating the art piece or a mixed group of students. At this stage there will be at least 17 pieces of art for auction, represented by at least one grade from each year level and several pieces from Grade five students. The art pieces differ in size, technique and medium.

Parents, family and friends are invited to attend Seabrook Primary School’s inaugural Art Auction for a night of fun to celebrate the visual art achievements of our students. The students participating in the art auction are very excited and looking forward to seeing who will be the lucky person to purchase their class or group’s masterpiece.

Stay tuned for more exciting Art Auction news…

Art News with Mrs Baillie-Martin
Dear Parents/Guardians,

As part of our fundraising endeavours for the year, Seabrook Primary School is organising Living Fundraisers Herb, Fruit, Flower growing kits to be sold. We will also have seed embedded Christmas Cards.

The Living Fundraisers offer a mix of herbs, fruit, and flowers that can be grown in the packet, or pot, along with seeded Christmas Cards that can be planted to grow flowers.

The varieties are:

- **Grow-in-the-bag herbs** – Chives, Coriander, Flat-leaf Parsley, Rocket and Sweet Basil;

- **Fruit Growing Kits** – Alpine Strawberries, Red & White Strawberries, Watermelon, Rockmelon (Cantelope) and Honeydew Melon;

- **Flower Growing Kits** – Alyssum "Carpet of Snow", Aster "Colour Carpet, Petunia "Happy Colours", Snapdragon "Tom Thumb" and Swan River Daisy "Splendour Mix";

- **Seed Embedded Christmas Cards** – The seeds in the paper of the card are native Australian Swan River Daisy, an annual plant that can grow throughout Australia. It grows up to about 30cm and is spectacular in hanging baskets.

You can purchase each individual growing for $6.00, which is great value for such a high quality, delicious product or you have the opportunity to purchase a carry bag, containing 10 packets of either, herbs, fruit, flowers or cards to sell or give to family and friends, for $60 per bag.

Please complete the order form provided and return it to school with the money by FRIDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 2015.

The kits will be delivered to school in the week commencing 16TH NOVEMBER 2015.

We will have these items on display at The Front Office, so that you can see what you are buying, and also watch them grow.

We appreciate your efforts in assisting us with this fundraiser, so that we can get closer to our goal of building a new Soccer pitch and playground facilities for our kids.

Kind regards,
Fundraising Committee
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

Are you leaving Seabrook Primary at the end of 2015

This helps us with our planning

If your child/ren are not returning to Seabrook Primary School next year (excluding our current Grade 6 students), can you please fill in the details below and return to Mrs Susan Joyce. (at the office as soon as possible)

My child/ren

Grade Room

Grade Room

Grade Room

will be leaving Seabrook Primary School:
☐ at the end of term 4 2015

and will be attending __________________________________________________________ school.

Parent/Guardian Signature: ________________________________ ContactNo. ________________

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
For your information

Seabrook Cricket Club

Attention: Junior IN 2 CRICKET Participants
(5 - 10 years old)

PLEASE COME AND ENJOY THE FUN AT SEABROOK!

Sign up: www.playcricket.com.au/team/
Enter 3028 into the postcode or ‘Seabrook’

Proposed Start Date: 10am on 31 October 2015

Location: Bruce Comben Reserve, Central Avenue,
Altona Meadows, VIC 3028

Cost: $75 maximum for a cricket gear kit.

Contact:
Peter Fraczeik 0438 972 244
pugociata@hotmail.com
Lionel Thomas 0401 425 773
lioneil.thomas@live.com

Email/Website: seabrookcc@gmail.com

Facebook: “Seabrook Cricket Club”

Arts & Technology Exhibition

2015

Opening Night
5th Nov, 7pm

Paisley Campus Library
Blenheim Rd, Newport

Primary to VCE Exhibits
Special Guests and Student Awards

Bayside P-12 College
Design by Bi Pham

Maths & English Learning Centers

“A Better Life Through Better Education”

Prep - Year 6, Problem Solving, Reading & Writing

“Give your child an academic advance”

http://au.jeilearning.com

The Scientific Comprehensive Diagnostic
Individually Paced Step-by-step Learning
Fully Aligned with Australian Curriculum

Free Diagnostic Test and Seasonal Offers on Your Enquiry

After school session hold at Featherbrook Community Learning Centre
33-35 Windorah Drive, Point Cook. ph)03 9088 0750  mob)0402 547 227
LAST WEEK TO DEPOSIT AND REDEEM REWARDS IS WEDNESDAY 2ND DECEMBER
5 WEEKS TO GO!

Please submit your request for rewards as soon as possible as stock of items is running out quickly. The following items are still available while stocks last. If you do not have the correct rewards card just place a note along with your 10 silver tokens or 1 gold token.

* Intergalactic Rocket (2015)
* ET DVD (2015)
* Outer Space Savers Money Box (2015)
* Galaxy Glider (2015)
* Shark Keyring (2014)
* Swimming Bag (2014)
* Dollarmite Money Box (2014)
* Scented Pencils (2014)
* Headphones (2013)
* Knuckles Game (2013)

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 questions or query?
Please email: seabrookschoolbanking@gmail.com

Seabrook School Banking Volunteers
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