From the Principal
Dear Parents / Guardians

SWIMMING
Congratulations to all the children who represented the Seabrook Primary School this week in the District Swimming Carnival at the Werribee outdoor pool. It was wonderful to see the children competing in the events and all achieving such excellent results. A great band of parents was there to support the children and equally cheered and encouraged all competitors from each of the schools. A big thank you to Mr Ganely, Mrs Joyce and Ms Easson for supporting the children at the frequent early morning training sessions prior to the event. The children were outstanding competitors.

ICT 1:1 LAP TOP PROGRAM INFORMATION EVENING
An information evening is being held next Wednesday for parents of children in 2016 in years 2 and 3. The information evening is designed to help parents understand the 1:1, version 8 Lap top program, implemented in the school. The session will cover the devices and costing being offered for the optional 2017 program. The session will start promptly at 7pm in the north wing finishing at 8pm.

PYP COMMUNITY EVENING
We hope everyone has Tuesday 22nd March in their diaries to attend our annual PYP community evening. This is a wonderful opportunity for our children to share their classroom environments with their parents. It also provides parents with some additional insights into aspects of the PYP program at Seabrook. The program starts with the preps at 5pm and concludes at 8pm. Full details on the evening events are on page 3.

SCHOOL PHOTOS AND SCHOOL UNIFORM
Class photos and individual photos only will be taken on Tuesday 15th of March. Children are asked to wear their formal Seabrook summer uniform, i.e. not sports uniform, black shoes with Maroon or navy accessories. The photographers have found it difficult to take sibling photos and sports photos on the same day and have allocated our school another date. The first available date for this year is Thursday 5th of May. Next year the dates will be a little closer together.

The uniform committee would like to remind parents that netball skirts are not part of the Seabrook uniform. The inclusion of this garment was made in error on the Double C uniform list and we apologise for any inconvenience. Please ensure your child is dressed in the official school uniform each day. Children in years 3-6 may wear their sports uniform on days of sport and all children may wear their house team t-shirts on Fridays. Thanks for your support.

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COMMUNITY WATCH
We are asking our families over the weekends to keep a look out for unwanted visitors. Quite often we have young people coming into the school climbing on the roofs and lately throwing rocks at windows. As you walk or drive by and see intruders abusing our school property please ring the police on 000. We have spent over $1000 this year on window replacement and this bad behaviour causes our students and teachers great anxiety.

SCHOOL BANKING VOLUNTEERS REQUESTED
Our school banking volunteers count and tally money each Thursday for our student banking program. The team would love some other helpers. Please make an enquiry at the office if you might have an hour to spend helping.

PARKING INSPECTORS AT SEABROOK
Hobson’s Bay Council officers will be in attendance around the school to help remind parents to respect the local neighbourhood property, pedestrians and other drivers. This comes in response to repeated complaints from our parents and community members regarding unsafe and selfish driving and parking habits. The officers have the ability to issue fines.

CHESS CLUB
Chess Club starts this week. Children who put forward their expression of interest have been notified of their class time, either Wednesday or Friday 1:10pm - 2:10pm for term 1.

LAST DAY OF TERM
Last day of the term is Thursday March 24. The children will be dismissed from their classrooms at 2:30pm. Please make arrangements for your children to be collected at this time.

Thursday is also hot dog lunch day and children may come to school in free dress of their choice. A gold coin donation will be collected on the day and will be used in part to support our school’s sponsor child Huynh Xuan Thuy and a donation will be made to State Schools’ Relief who provide uniforms for deserving families.

Have a good week.

Sue & Staff

Thank-you, Thank-you, Thank-you
Jett went home after his library session last week and told his parents how the library was missing 980 books after last year’s stocktake. His family have donated over 300 new books, novels, picture story, series and non fiction books to our library. Jett has shown wonderful PYP qualities by thinking of the school and the needs of his school mates.
Thank-you and well done Jett.
Raelene
Library Technician
PYP COMMUNITY NIGHT
TUESDAY 22ND OF MARCH
5:00pm-8:00pm

Learn more about the Essential Elements of the Primary Years Programme.
See your child share their learning experiences through presentations, songs and work.

Prep 5:00pm – Learner Profile
Year 1 5:30pm – Attitudes
Year 2 6:00pm – Artefacts and International Mindedness
Year 3 6:30pm – Transdisciplinary Themes
Year 4 7:00pm – Concepts
Year 5 7:30pm – Transdisciplinary Skills
Year 6 7:30pm – Leadership in Action

Other Events
• Dancing competition in the Performing Arts room.
• Italian mask parade for Carnevale in the courtyard at 6:30 pm.
• BBQ in the courtyard.
• Games on the Oval.
The grade one students are working on the structure of recounts in their writing. Here are some of what the students in 1GV have written.

**Kitchen Rules**
On Saturday mum, dad, my sister and I watched My Kitchen Rules at home. Firstly they gave the people some drinks. Next they made some pasta. Lastly I ate ice-cream. I brushed my teeth and went to bed.
The end.
By Dheera

**On the weekend**
I went to the beach with my family on Saturday. First I built a sand castle. Next I went for a swim. Then we went home and we had lunch.
The end
By Ishwan

**On The Weekend**
On the weekend I played Disney Infinity 3.0. Then I went to Oliver's house. I stayed there for 2 minutes. Oliver gave me Darth Vader. Then I went home.
By Jared

**My Home**
I went to my friend's house and I played. After some while we went home and we went to the shops and we bought a milky products and we went to home it happened in Sunday night.
By Akshaj

**On the Weekend**
On Sunday me and my family went to my cousin's birthday and then went on the castle and we found a real jail and then we went to have cake. Then we went to see the puppets. Then we went to Jack and the Bean stalk Castle. Next we went home and me and my family were very tired.
By Leah
Over the past few weeks, students from 3RB have been inquirers and thinkers while exploring the central idea, ‘The variety of literacies enhances our lives’. We have been learning about the four modes of literacy: audio, visual, gestural, spatial and language. To further develop our understanding of this topic we attended the cartoon workshop by Richard Galbraith who is a professional cartoonist, an author and an illustrator. After the incursion we used DeBono’s thinking hats to reflect on the incursion.

White Hat: What interesting facts did you learn?  
*Max, Nikki, Nhien*
Cartoon is a type of drawing.  
Cartoons are a visual mode of literacy. A speech bubble can be added to add a language mode of literacy.  
It is impossible to make a mistake while drawing your cartoon.  
You can create your own character using your imagination.  
Cartoons entertain you and are easy to draw.  
Through cartoons we can express ourselves.

Blue Hat: What decisions were made when creating your character?  
*Khadeeja, Bianca, Ameera, Nicholas, Jack, Ursa, Joe*
We could make a character a girl or a boy.  
We could make a character look happy, sad, angry or cruel through its eyebrows.  
We also made a decision if we wanted our cartoon to move.  
We could draw a speech bubble if we wanted our cartoon to say something.  
We could have a shadow under our cartoon.

Green Hat: What creative ideas did you use during this task?  
*Olivia, Airlea, Alfred, Caitlin*
We brought her cartoon character to life by using move marks.  
We used our imagination to create our character.  
We can use cartoons to show different emotions.

Red Hat: How did you feel and what did you enjoy the most?  
*We felt happy and excited. It was fun creating our cartoons.*  
*Rafi*
I enjoyed creating chicken because I like chicken.  
*Gemma*
I enjoyed creating Minion because it’s my favorite character.  
*Jayden*
Drawing the minion was the best part for me because it was going to eat the banana and the banana was crying.

Yellow Hat: What are some of the benefits or positives of cartooning?  
*Isabella, Aliyah, Aliya, Chloe*
It is fun to draw cartoons.  
We can create our cartoon book using the cartoons we made.  
You can create a fictional character using your imagination.  
There are no mistakes when we draw cartoons.

Black Hat: What challenges did you come across when creating your character?  
*Adam*
It was hard to draw a minion.  
It was difficult to draw cartoon characters yourself.  
It was hard to bring the cartoon to life.

To explore this inquiry further, on Monday the 7th of March the grade 3’s will be going to watch a movie at the Sun theatre, Yarraville.
Seabrook Primary School aims to become a sustainable school by reducing our ecological footprint through adopting sustainable practices in our everyday lives. We will achieve this by integrating sustainability into all areas of the curriculum and instilling a sense of ownership of and pride in improving the environment. We will lead the community by demonstrating exemplary practices in waste management, water and energy usage, and develop the school grounds to promote biodiversity.

Seabrook PS is working towards becoming a sustainable school and will be keeping our community informed about the steps we are taking towards this goal. Here is our mission statement and soon we will share our sustainability policy.

**Sustainability Vision**

**VISION STATEMENT**

Our vision is to actively engage students and staff in developing a sustainable environment, which cultivates and inspires best practice and highlights the importance of preparing and inspiring individuals to become responsible for contributing to a sustainable future.

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**Super worm juice!**

Are you looking to give your garden a boost? Are you looking to boost your vegetables, fruit and general flower garden? Look no further. Seabrook Primary School is worm farming! We are turning your child's fruit and vegetable scraps into pure organic fertilizer with the help of our little squirming friends—the worms. Our worms are busy munching away and breaking up your food scraps so they can give us back pure, organic, rich worm juice. This juice is carefully poured into bottles for your convenience.

The worm juice has wonderful benefits for any use around your garden! From enriching your soil in nutrients and minerals to kick starting your seeds and stimulating flowering. Bottles of this juice are on display at the front reception for you to view and to purchase.

**Bottles cost $5.00 each**
Human X-rays...Imagine
Grade 4HT have been inquiring into their own personal identity.
To begin, the risk takers used their prior knowledge to discuss what they thought they knew about the meaning of a 'value' and 'personal belief'. They then listened to a famous song by John Lennon, Imagine. We unpacked the song & discussed Lennon's values and personal beliefs inferred from his song.
Human X-rays are a type of visible thinking tool that allows children to explore and build on their prior knowledge. They represented their own values and personal beliefs through symbols, phrases, new vocabulary & images.

Here are just a few...
Da dove vieni?  
(Where are you from?)

In Italian over the past few weeks, students in Grade Two have been linking into the PYP unit inquiry of ‘Many factors contribute to WHO I AM’. They have been learning all about their different nationalities and countries of origin. The students have displayed risk-taking skills as they learn, pronounce, practice and write these countries in the Italian language.

What a fantastic effort!  
Ottimo lavoro, bravi a tutti!

Mrs Paula Thomson
Thank you to the Grade Two Students who designed their own creative and unique costumes for their countries. Ottimo Lavoro! BRAVI!

GRADE TWO ITALIAN

With Mrs. Thomson
This week the grade 3’s, 4’s, 5’s and 6’s have started learning the ukulele. We have started learning the cords ‘F’ and ‘C’, learning the song ‘Polly Wolly Doodle’ with great success. The students are showing a lot of enthusiasm. Students have been asking for copies of the cords or sheet music from class and I have now set up an Edmodo page where the students will be able to save copies of our music class resources for practice at home. The code to access the page is j48ts3.

Students and parents have been inquiring about purchasing their own ukulele for home practice. This is strongly encouraged however not compulsory. If you are interested in obtaining a ukulele, JB HI-FI and Allans Music stock a range from $28. These are the soprano ukuleles in a variety of colours, which we are using at school. There is no need to by an expensive one at this stage of learning. If you are looking for something cost effective but want a better sound then purchasing a $28 ukulele, the Aquilla New Nylgut strings for approximately $12 and a tuner for approximately $8 is the way to go. When purchasing a ukulele you need to make sure that the tuning gears are made of metal to insure that the ukulele will hold the correct note and not slip out easily.

For any more information a good website to refer to or get tabs from is http://ukuchords.com

Mr Smith
Performing Arts
It was a great day at the Laverton District Swimming Carnival on Monday. We had 31 students represent our school and everyone performed confidently and had great success all day.

We won 5 relays and came 2nd in the other 3, meaning we have qualified in every relay as the top 2 teams progressed. We also had many students progress in individual events by having 1 of the fastest 2 times. Overall we will have 24 students who will compete at the Divisional Competition at Werribee again on Thursday 10th of March.

Johnathan C-H, who qualified in Freestyle and Backstroke (breaking the district records in both 31.13 in free and 37.94 in backstroke) and Isabella R who qualified in Freestyle and Backstroke too (broke the backstroke record – 45.76 in the 9/10 age group. A fantastic effort. They also both qualified in 2 relays each, freestyle and medley.

Other students to qualify were: Coco L (Back, Breast, Free & medley relay), Tara K (Free, back, free & medley relay), Jake P (free, breast & free relay), John Mc (back, breast, free & medley relay), Noah S (free, back, free & medley relay), Ivy L (Free, Breast, free & medley relay), Olivia D (Free, Back & free relay), Alexandra S (Back & free relay), Tylar A (Breast, free and Medley relay), Athena D (Back & free relay), Ethan N (free, free and medley relay), Jade H-P (Relay), Hayley P (Relay), Holly W (Relay), Jewoseydi B (Relay), Claudia T (Relay), Basir S-T (Relay), Archer N (Relay), Carson R (Relay), Matthew Y (relay), Patrick Ma (Relay), Raunaq K (Relay) and Angus T (Relay).

Well done to Hayley C, Vanessa H, Jasmine Q, Izabella S, Isabel Z and Alekzander E who participated in various events on the day and did very well too. Thanks to Mrs. Smith (who helped with time keeping all day). Good luck to all students at the next competition.
School Photos

Please ensure that you have your child’s personalised order form. Preferred payment is online, if paying by cash, please return this order form and payment on Photo Day.
For your information

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

FREE FAMILY FUN DAY
BRIMBANK PARK IN KEILOR EAST
SATURDAY 19TH OF MARCH
STARTING 12 Noon.
FREE BBQ, ACTIVITIES AS WELL AS:
MEMBERSHIP SPECIALS/RENEWALS AND MORE.
EVEN IF YOU CAN’T ATTEND THERE ARE PLENTY MORE OPPORTUNITIES, HERE IS A LINK TO OUR VERY ACTIVE WEBSITE:
http://www.singleparentsactivekids.org/
LIKE MINDED SINGLE PARENTS TO CHAT WITH, ACTIVE KIDS WANTING TO PLAY WITH YOUR ACTIVE KIDS, WIN WIN!
“SINGLE DOES NOT MEAN ALONE”
PLEASE RSVP TO info@singleparentsactivekids.org or call Moush on 0430.504.119.

Gilmore College for Girls
OPEN DAY
WED 9th March 10 - 11.30 am
THURS 10th March 5 - 6.30 pm
"Her Future - Our Passion"
An earring was lost in the school grounds on Monday the 29th of Feb. When found please return to the office.

Thank you

Parent Helpers needed on Hot Dog Day Thursday the 24th of March.
If you can assist please register your interest by emailing seabrookhelpers@live.com

Italian

WORD OF THE WEEK IS

Fa Caldo

Meaning - It’s hot

Pronunciation - Far Culdoor
School Banking - Wednesday

Preps will bank on Tuesday until they start school full time.

It is never too late to open a Youth Saver Account and start banking!

1) On a Thursday morning in the senior meeting room next to the library from 8.45am to 10.00am. You will need a copy of your driver’s licence and the birth certificate for any children not at Seabrook Primary. Once the forms are completed they are then posted to the Commonwealth Bank to be opened and the book posted to your address.

2) The office has forms that can be filled out and then they will be passed on to the school banking volunteers. You will need a copy of your driver’s licence and the birth certificate for any children not at Seabrook Primary. Once the forms are completed they are then posted to the Commonwealth Bank to be opened and the book posted to your address.

3) You can go to any Commonwealth Bank branch, if you are not a customer you will need to take identification and also birth certificates. The account will be opened on the spot.

4) If you are a Commonwealth Bank customer you can open on via netbank or 13 2221. The account will be opened and the book posted to your address.

Once you have received your yellow banking wallet remember to bring it to school each Wednesday.

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?
Email: seabrookschoolbanking@gmail.com

Seabrook School Banking Volunteer
**March 2016**

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**School Photos will be on Tuesday 15th March**

Sibling photos will be taken on Thursday the 5th of May

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| 21 Grade 5 & 6 Assembly 9am - 9:30am | 22 Regional Swimming Carnival PYP Community Night 5pm — 8pm | 23 Free dress day with a gold coin donation Last day for term 1 Students finish at 2:30pm | 24 | 25 Good Friday |

**2nd Hand uniform is closed until the 1st week of term 2**

Hot dog day is on the last day of term 1

Parent Helpers would be greatly appreciated on the day from 9am - 1:30pm. Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

Please send your availability to seabrookhelpers@live.com.au