From the Principal
Dear Parents / Guardians

Are you leaving Seabrook Primary at the end of 2016
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)

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and will attending ________________________ school.

Parent/Guardian Signature: ___________________ Contact No. __________

Please inform the office if you are intending to leave Seabrook Primary School at the end of 2016. This is important for planning of class sizes, classroom allocations and teachers. Forms are available from the office. Thank you

BOOKLIST FOR 2017
Book lists and fee payment proformas are currently being prepared. There will be no book pick up day as there has been in the past, thus interrupting family holidays. Books will be delivered directly to your child’s classroom. The book list and fees payment proformas will be sent home around the end of the month and can be paid from then on.

2016 CHRISTMAS CONCERT
Unfortunately, we cannot publish a date yet for our annual concert. We are awaiting confirmation from our sound and stage suppliers.

TRAFFIC REMINDERS
Law enforcement officers are working around our area. Please be reminded it is an offence to stop/park/linger on the double yellow line outside our school on Point Cook Road. The 10 minute stopping zones are also being monitored. No standing means no parking and no stopping even to drop off children. $150 fines are being issued. Please also respect our neighbours by refraining from using horns to say ‘goodbye’ to your children in the morning. Shift workers in the homes around our school are grateful for quiet mornings. Thank you for your consideration.

Seabrook Primary School has a zero tolerance for any form of child abuse.

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UNIFORM NEWS
In 2017 School Council will be expecting our children to be wearing the correct Seabrook Uniform. Letters will be sent home to parents when children present consistently in the wrong school clothes. A uniform price list is available on Skoolbag and our website.

A Reminder for children wearing stockings/tights they should be navy and not black in colour.

Second hand uniform shop.
Our volunteer Hannah runs the Seabrook Uniform shop (2:30pm – 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. Anyone who can offer an hour to help would be very much appreciated.

CHILD SAFETY
Staff and parents have recently undergone training in supporting children to build resilience and confidence. This is to help children problem solve and identify strategies to prevent them from entering situations that may lead to harm and abuse. The program empowers and educates children to identify and speak up about situations such as:

- abuse
- grooming
- bullying
- risk-taking behaviours.

This training for staff and parents is in line with the new child safety standards. If parents would like more information about this please pick up a parent booklet from the front office.

2017 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
Monday 30th and Tuesday 31st January
staff curriculum days, no attendance for Seabrook students.

Wednesday 1st February
Seabrook students in years 1-6 begin the 2017 school year.

Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd February
start dates for prep as indicated.

Tuesday 18th April Curriculum Day
no students required.

Thursday 29th June
student led conferences.
No classes, students only attend at designed conference time.

SEABROOK’S 21ST BIRTHDAY
The planning group will be holding their next meeting on Friday November 4th at 3:20pm–4:30pm in the performing arts room. All welcome. The committee will be asking the community for input into the event and calling for any suggestions to be considered on the day. Ideas can be posted in our suggestion box at the front office.

WEBSITE TRANSLATOR
Did you know that our newsletter and website, www.seabrook.vic.edu.au can be translated into most major languages. The translator is located on the front page of our website under Sun Smart. If you know someone who would benefit from this please let them know.

Have a great week ahead. Sue & Staff
What a stimulating times are afoot in curriculum at the moment!

Year 6 are fully immersed in their exhibition and we look forward to sharing this work next week. Their focus is creativity, a fascinating and vitally important disposition especially for the future. Researchers such as Erica McWilliams, Sir Ken Robinson, Guy Paxton and Professor Bill Lucas are all telling us that with the explosion in technology and changing work force, creativity will be one of the factors that will make difference to our future world and is a quality which will make people more employable and successful in their working and personal lives.

Year 5 will be sharing their energy fair. Sustainability, conservation, global resources are all vital concepts for the future survival of our planet and it will be fascinating to see and hear the work of our Year 5 students on these issues.

From their camp, in-depth inquiry and incursion on Indigenous Studies.

Year 4 have completed some insightful biographies on indigenous people and some creative interpretations of Dreamtime stories. They will now begin an inquiry into animal adaptation which will include an excursion to the Royal Melbourne Zoo to work with a zoo educator. This will provide hands on, relevant experiences on the importance of species adaptation to survival as well as explore the implications in caring for our environment.

The Year 3 children are really looking forward to their camp to Phillip Island in early November. This is a fabulous experience, for most children it is their first camp. The camp is extremely well organised and well resourced. The children will be involved in a great many active, outdoor experiences including raft building, ropes courses, flying fox and the giant swing. They will learn to work together, being cooperative and supportive of their class mates. The focus for this unit of inquiry is peace and conflict-exploring how we work together, sort out our differences and show respect and understanding to others. Vital skills in creating a more peaceful and caring world!

What extraordinary creativity and innovation we saw last term in the Year 2 inventions expo. This term they are investigating community health services, learning how to keep themselves and other healthy and well.

While exploring sharing the planet Year 1 will learn a great deal about recycling and actions we can undertake to help our environment. Be warned parents your child will be communicating many important messages as to how your household can be more environmentally friendly.

In Prep the children are finishing their inquiry into endangered animals. The Prep children are very knowledgeable about threatened and endangered species and have many ideas into how we can preserve the environment to support all species. The preps will have a mini expo on October 19 to share their ideas and work from this inquiry. We admired the resilience of the children when their zoo excursion was postponed owing to extreme weather and know they will impress the zoo staff with their knowledge, enthusiasm and questions when they attend the excursion on October 26.

PE news
Year 1 has started swimming, Year 3-6 continue to represent the school in divisional and regional sport events.

Performing Arts
As well as choir and ukulele lessons Mr Smith is now setting up a guitar group. We hope all the children in these groups enjoy learning and performing. Many children are looking forward to the Matilda excursion on Nov 9.

Italian
The Italian dress up and pizza days were enjoyed by many. Owing to the weather we had to postpone the Italian mini Olympics but hope to run this on Nov 10.

The Kinder Prep transition program is progressing well. We had a successful games and BBQ night and it was lovely to see not only the children becoming more confident and familiar about school but to see the parents making connections with other parents and staff. We have had another school tour and will now begin the activities and lunch program for our new students.

Ann O'Connor
Assistant Principal
Last Wednesday (12\textsuperscript{th} of October), we had our new preps for 2017 and their families visit for a Games and BBQ Evening. For the first time in Seabrook’s history, we had to have the games indoors in the Grade 1 building, due to the wet weather. The children enjoyed the fun activities away from the cold and it was great to hear the chatter and laughter of the little voices as they rotated through the planned activities. A special thank you to the prep team, staff and parents who supported this transition event to make it a success.

Sundram Moodley
Acting Assistant Principal
Well done to our 10 students who competed at the Regional Athletics last Tuesday. It was cool and quite windy, but we had some excellent results throughout the day.

Congratulations to Andreas W and Sebastian W, who have both qualified for the State Finals on Monday 24th October. Andreas won his heat of the hurdles (14.30) and then won the final in a close finish with another boy (13.43 to 13.49). He then just missed out on qualifying for the long jump by 1cm (4.75m to 4.76m) and placed 3rd. Sebastian was competing in his first Regional competition and also did extremely well. He won the 10yr boys long jump with a jump of 3.85m, 14cm ahead of 2nd place. He also competed in the triple jump event and came 10th with a jump of 7.56m. Well to both boys and good luck at State finals.

We had some other great performances with some students making finals in events during the day. Oliver A came 2nd in his hurdles heat (16.88) and then 5th in a tight final (15.88 and less than half a sec off 3rd). Brianna S came 3rd in her hurdles heat (16.99) and was 8th in the final, but improved her time to 16.53 and was only 0.14 of a sec off 5th, so also a very tight race. Dorian R came 6th in his heat of the 200m (No time recorded). John Mc came 6th in the 10yr 800m, which was a great effort with up to 20 competing. John is also only 9 this year, so will have another chance in that age group next year. Summer C competed in the high jump and came equal 10th out of 16 jumpers, with a jump of 1.10m. Our 12yr boys relay team (Andreas, Dorian, Johnathan and Mahammad), who ran a creditable 5th with a time of 57.45 (4 x 100m). Well done to all students on their great efforts!
On Thursday 28th of July a pleasing number of 152 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 a challenging and enjoyable way. It tests everything from basic numeracy skills through to advance problem solving.

One hundred and fifty-two Seabrook students competed and were awarded the following certificates:

- 3 High Distinction
- 36 Distinction
- 52 Credit
- 48 Proficiency
- 13 Participation

‘CONGRATULATIONS’ to all students who competed and achieved outstanding results through perseverance and commitment.

Students will be presented with certificates during morning assembly on the following dates:

- Year levels 3 & 4
  - Monday 24th October
- Year levels 5 & 6
  - Monday 31st October

All parents and guardians are welcome to attend and celebrate their child’s remarkable achievements.

Simone Lazaridis
Literacy Support
Walk to School

Seabrook Primary School is getting active this month of October with the help of ‘VicHealth’s Walk to School month’ initiative.

All students are encouraged to walk, ride or scoot to and from school to kick-start healthy travel habits that can lead to good health for life. It's a free, easy and fun way for kids to get active.

How does your child register for this event? Your teacher will be given a classroom calendar including stickers. Each time your child walks, rides, or scoots to school, your child will receive a sticker on the calendar. The stickers will keep track of how many days your child has travelled to and from school. It's that simple!

At the end of the month, your child’s efforts will be acknowledged and celebrated with a personalized certificate! Plus, our school will have the chance to win some fantastic prizes.

So, what do you say? Let the walking, riding and scooting begin!

If you’d like to know more about this, the link to the website is below. http://www.walktoschool.vic.gov.au

Additionally, your child’s classroom teacher will give out information pamphlets to your child during this week.

Note: Seabrook Primary School has currently over 960 students.
Thank you to grounds committee, Barry, Shelley and Damien for the recent and ongoing grounds works. The rainwater tanks, seating, garden barriers and the addition of many plants have all helped improve the way our school looks.

Thank you
We are inquiring into 'How The World Works' and how…
‘Energy is converted and used in various ways to support human progress’

We have been researching renewable and non-renewable energy sources. For example; hydro, chemical, magnetic, biomass, solar, nuclear, kinetic, wind and more!

We have also been reflecting on the action we can take to conserve energy and the way we create resources that support our lifestyles, such as electricity, food, mobility, water and other goods to lessen our ecological footprint.

Please come and see the machines and models we have created that use ENERGY to work!

When: Thursday 20th October
Where: Rooms 19, 20, 27, 28, 39 and 40
Times: 9:10am – 9:50am / 10:20am – 12:20pm / 1:10pm - 2:30pm

From: The Grade 5 Learning Community
Dear Parents/Guardians

Every two years our school is offered a limited number of places at the Department of Education and Training’s Somers School Camp. Next year our allotted time is from 7/3/2017 until the 15/3/2017. Children who gain selection from our school will join with 160 Grade 5 and 6 children from our school district in this very special Outdoor Education and Personal Development program.

The camp has both indoor and outdoor activities all run by specialist permanent teaching staff with the assistance of nine local teachers who will accompany the children to and from the camp.

The activities are mainly physical and outdoor and include High and Low Ropes Courses, Boating, Rock Climbing, Abseiling, Challenge Swing and Initiative Activities which require a reasonable level of physical fitness. All children are also required to take part in the following activities: Archery, Art, Drama, Environmental Studies, Bush Cooking, Orienteering, Bike Education, Flying Fox, Bush Dancing, Disco Night, Singing and Diary Writing. Separate boys and girls living arrangements are provided but all activities are done in mixed groups.

This is a highly regarded camp and provides children with the opportunity to accept challenges, improve their self-esteem, meet and mix with other children from their local area, have fun and learn at the same time. Previous Seabrook students who have attended this camp have found it to be a unique and, at times, life changing experience.

The fee (heavily subsidised by the department) for the camp is only $250; the fee includes all transport, accommodation, meals, pocket money and a souvenir t-shirt & hat.

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If you would like your Grade 5 or 6 child (in 2017) to be considered for a place on this camp please fill in the expression of interest form below and return it to the school office by Monday 24th October.

Most students will be selected by a team of Seabrook staff taking in to consideration a range of factors including behaviour, social skills, leadership ability and potential for personal growth. Some positions will also be filled by a random draw.

If you have any questions please contact me at: cochran.paul.p@edumail.vic.gov.au

Paul Cochran
(Seabrook Primary School - Somers Camp Co-ordinator & former Somers participant)

Please return your expression of interest form by Monday 24th October.
Book Fair celebrating Christmas

Parents are welcome to come in anytime,
Tuesday - Friday open from 8:30am

You’re invited to our SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR!

Kris Kringle gifts

AUSTRALIA! STORY COUNTRY
FIND YOUR STORY AT THE BOOK FAIR!

STOCKING FILLERS

Date 7th - 11th November
Time 3:15 - 4pm
Place Seabrook P.S. Library

All online orders need to be finalised by Wednesday 9th November so that stock can be ordered. Please return any online orders to the library.
Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for embracing our new payment app. When using Qkr for school excursions, incursions and camp payments can you please ensure you are selecting the correct student and grade before checking out.

Your assistance is greatly appreciated. Thank You.

Administration Team
Please return all money and/or unsold chocolates by **FRIDAY 28th OCTOBER**, however, feel free to return the money to your child’s classroom at your earliest convenience.

If you are having difficulties selling the chocolates, please return to the office so we can sell them to families requesting extra chocolates.

You don’t need to wait until the due date! We appreciate your efforts with this major fundraiser.

THE FUNDRAISING TEAM

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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

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**Italian Word of the Week**

Is - E’ primavera

Meaning - It's Spring
Dear Parents/Guardians,

When collecting your child/ren early from school please complete the early leave pass at the front office.

Thank you.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for using our Skoolbag app to notify the school of your child’s absences from school. Please supply your child’s full name and class.

E.g. John Smith 6AU

Thank you.
LAST WEEK TO DEPOSIT AND REDEEM REWARDS IS WEDNESDAY 30TH NOV. 6 WEEKS TO GO

Congratulations to the following students who have received certificates this week:

**Bronze 10 Deposits** – Jenuli H and Benjamin B
**Silver 20 Deposits** – Caitlyn S, Ava D, Alexandra G, Olive W, Parth A and Laura C.

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 Volunteers

For your information

It’s already term 4!!
Please remember to pack an extra hat for after school care in your child’s bag to ensure they can come outside and play!

Thank you

OSHC Program Phone: 0411 302 879
Coordinator: Katie and Amanda
OSHC Club 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.

For your information

School Banking

Please submit your request for rewards as soon as possible as stock of items is running out quickly. The following items are 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.

*Outback Pat Bag Tag
*Wriggly Glow Worm
*Bush Fly Fan
*Intergalactic Rocket
*Outer Space Savers Money Box
*ET DVD

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### Grade 6 Exhibition Week 24th — 28th

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