From the Principal

Dear Parents / Guardians

REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY

Thanks to the grade five teachers and especially the students who confidently conducted our whole school Remembrance ceremony last Friday. This is a significant event in our history and it is important for all children to make a connection to the important message of remembering those who died in conflicts in our history. A wreath was placed beneath our flagpole in recognition and to honour those who have died through various conflicts across the world. Thanks also to one of our Seabrook dads, Captain Matthew Boyle who provided our community with another perspective of the impact wars have on people and his families. It was also great to have Jill Hennessey Member for Altona present for the service. She also commented on the confidence and sincerity of the children who delivered poems and messages during the service.

LAST DAY OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

Children are dismissed from their classrooms at 1:30pm to start the Christmas holidays.

Are you leaving Seabrook Primary at the end of 2016?

This information helps us with our planning for 2017.

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

Child’s name: [ ]
Grade: [ ]
Room No: [ ]

In the event that your child/ren are leaving Seabrook Primary School at the end of term 4 in 2016, please fill in the details below:

Child’s name: [ ]
Grade: [ ]
Room No: [ ]

Will be attending: [ ]

Parent/Guardian Signature: [ ]

Contact No: [ ]

Please also complete the information below if you are relocating to a new postal address so that we can forward any important student information.

New address: [ ]

Contact Number: [ ]

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.

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

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CAMPING PROGRAM
Our grade one children enjoyed their special long stay at school last Wednesday. They played games and had a film and light meal at school until 6:30pm. This late night helps prepare the children for an overnight stay in year 2.

Our thanks go to the parents and teachers who supported the recent grade 3 camp and staff who stayed back late on Wednesday. It is important to mention that teachers and school staff do not get paid to go away on camp or stay late after normal hours. Staff volunteer to do these special extra-curriculum events to support your children. They appreciate your thanks and prompt collection at the end.

BOOK LISTS
Book lists have been distributed to all families. Additional copies are available on our website or from our Skoolbag app. Book costs and other fees can be paid now.

CHESS STATE FINALS
Congratulations to 3 students who represented the school in the Victorian state chess finals last week. Our team had one less player than other schools and the children achieved a very respectable 13th placing out to 45 schools from around the state. Congratulations to Patrick M who took out 28th place, Christian W who came 70th and Noah 93rd placing. The tournament gave the boys an opportunity to practice the moves and strategies learnt from their coach Endre. We hope to continue after school chess lessons next year and offer it over 2 nights. Please keep an eye on the newsletter for further information early next year.
SEABROOK BOUNDARY FENCES
We received some very welcome news last week from the Victorian Education Minister’s office that our school will be receiving the sum of **$113,122** to rebuild a new boundary fence. We were one of 10 schools across the state to have been awarded funding for projects through this round of the Victorian Government’s Schools Pride Fund grant program. Works are expected to begin next month. This will coincide with the development of our new sports field early December. Our School Council applied for a grant some months ago and were successful in securing over $9,000 from Carlisle Homes which the school will put into the soft rubber underlay for the rope climbing frame being constructed as part of the project. We are very grateful for the financial help with the fences and the soccer field redevelopment.

ITALIAN OLYMPIC GAMES
The grounds were a buzz with the sound of laughter and Italian music last Thursday during the Italian Week Sports Day. It was terrific to see a large number of parents joining the children for the activities. The older children had the opportunity to listen to and interact with Valentina Scandolara who talked about her training and experience as a Italian professional cyclist.

BOOK FAIR
Thanks to Raelene and Maggie in the library for hosting the book fair last week. Raelene estimates that over $2,038 earned in commission can be spent on new editions for the library. Thanks to everyone who visited and to the staff who helped with the sales. Children who ordered books will be notified when the extra copies arrive.

THE PREMIERS’ READING CHALLENGE
Congratulations to all the children who participated in the Victorian Premier’s Reading Challenge. This is an Australia wide event and Jill Hennessey during her visit to Seabrook last week was delighted to hand out a sample of the awards. We hope more children will participate next year. Jill spoke to the whole school about the enjoyment and importance of reading.

MATILDA
It was a pleasure to accompany 50 Seabrook children recently in the closing week of the musical Matilda. The children and I were amazed and impressed by the very talented children, excellent stage, lighting, sets and performances by all. This certainly was a fairly unique extra-curricular experience for some children who had never been to a live performance before. The children left the performance inspired and motivated. Thanks to Mr Smith for arranging this experience.

WORKING BEE
We have a short working bee planned for Friday 2nd December. We would appreciate it if parents coming to collect their children can stay to help with some cleaning and light gardening from 3:15pm. We hope you can bring along some gloves, brooms, sponges and gardening tools, high pressure water hoses and adaptions. This is a great opportunity for children to be involved in helping their classroom by scrubbing down the class chairs and do some sweeping.

Have a great week ahead
Grade 1 & 2

Grade Two Sleepover and Grade One Extended

Our grade 2s had their sleepover on Thursday, the 3rd of November. The children had a great time at the sleepover – from setting up the rooms with their sleeping gear, to their pizza, popcorn and movie. They did really well sleeping over; as for some it was the first time away from their parents or guardians. Congratulations Grade 2s! Thank you to the grade 2 team for their tireless organisation, the Education Support Staff and all the volunteer staff who assisted us to make this event a success.

The grade 1s had their extended stay on Wednesday, the 9th of November. The children certainly had lots of fun…from the rotation of the activities, their subway dinner and movie. We had great weather too for the games! Thank you also to the grade 1 team for organising a successful extended stay and to the staff who volunteered their help.

Thank you parents for supporting these events as it certainly helps in preparing our children for the camping program.

Sundram Moodley
Acting Assistant Principal
Our prep students are learning about food through some Italian songs and stories.

They watched the video “Il caffé della Peppina”(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=InQC3MvDZM4) and listened to the story “Mangia, mangia”.

The children used their prior knowledge about instructions in Italian to complete some activities.

Disegna un cibo
(draw one food from the story)

Scrivi
(they challenged themselves to write as many food names in Italian as they could)

Well done for your great effort!

Maestra Elena
Grade 3 is learning how to calculate the area of various objects. The intention of this task was to create a picture on graph paper using only square shapes. We then had to calculate the total area of our pictures and also the area of the different colours that were used.
MINI - OLIMPIADI di Seabrook Primary School

I wanted to say a big thank you to all the grades 5 for being our hosts at “le Mini-Olimpiadi di Seabrook”.

A small group of students from different grades 5 guided the Mini Olympics Ceremony on Thursday 10th of November. Their reading in Italian was superb: confident and with a great tone and pronunciation. Their singing of the Italian National Anthem was respectful and well prepared. Their participation in the games was fair and enthusiastic.

On Monday we had a conversation about the Mini-Olimpiadi and each grade 5 created a mind map in italiano including the people (le persone) who participated in the day, the games (i giochi) that we all played and the feelings (le emozioni) that we felt. Well done!

Maestra Elena
THANK YOU to all students as they displayed many PYP values and attitudes on the day. They displayed confidence and enthusiasm as they participated in multi age groups in several fun traditional activities/rotations during this time. They worked hard and displayed commitment and risk-taking skills to gain points for their house teams/squadre: Cobalt – blu, Orange – arancione, Jade – verde, Purple – viola. Scores were very close throughout the day.

A very special THANKS to Maestra Elena Pirovano for organising our special guest, all the way from Italy - Valentina Scandolara (Italian Professional Cyclist). Hopefully it has inspired some students to follow their dreams or inspired some students to enjoy more outdoor sports and bike riding.
Scores

Junior Mini Olympics
First Place: 3,350 Purple – viola
Second Place: 3,037 Jade – verde
Third Place: 2,925 Cobalt – blu
Fourth Place: 2,822 Orange – arancione


Senior Mini Olympics
First Place: 6,578 Cobalt – blu
Second Place: 6,248 Jade – verde
Third Place: 5,593 Purple – viola
Fourth Place: 5,521 Orange – arancione

Congratulations House – Cobalt – blu Winner of the Senior Mini Olympics.

Junior and Senior Mini Olympics combined
First Place: 9,503 blu
Second Place: 9,285 verde
Third Place: 8,943 viola
Fourth Place: 8,343 arancione
CONGRATULATIONS COBALT – blu HOUSE OUR OVERALL WINNERS ON THE DAY!
The winning trophy is displayed in the front office.

THANK YOU to all the staff for their support in organising groups and running the activities. Your dedication is very much appreciated and these events would not be possible without it.

THANK YOU to all the Grade Six Students who kindly assisted on the day at activities with the Junior students. You displayed great communication skills and your enthusiasm and support was very much appreciated.

THANK YOU to all the parents who came along to support and cheer on their children. Your support is truly appreciated and makes the event even more meaningful.
We have received lots of positive feedback about the event, which is wonderful to hear. Hopefully, we will be able to arrange more whole school events in the future.

A great effort and a fun day had by all. Thank you.
Mrs Paula Thomson
SOMERS Camp – 2017

Thank you to all the year 4 & 5 students who put in expressions of interest regarding attending Somers Camp in 2017. We had 38 boys apply for 9 places and 40 girls apply for only 10 places, therefore most of the interested Seabrook students missed out on selection.

The year 4 and 5 teachers spent considerable time working through the selection process and the successful applicants have been informed. The selection process involved teacher nominations for most of the positions, with a random draw to fill the remaining places.

I know that students who missed out will have the opportunity to attend some great camps and outdoor education experiences in the years ahead so please don’t be too disappointed.

Thanks again for your interest.

Grade Prep Swimming

The grade Prep Swimming starts this Monday (21st Nov) at Shawn’s Swim school in Hoppers Crossing. Final payments need to be made by Monday 21st November. There will be three groups going at the following times on November 21st and 28th, December 5th and 12th.

* Group 1: Prep MT (15) & Prep GC (6) (21) (leave 11.10am, lesson 11.30am-12.15pm, return about 12.45pm).

* Group 2: Prep JG (11) & Prep EV (10) (21) (leave 12.10pm, lesson 12.30pm-1.15pm, return about 1.45pm).

* Group 3: Prep SL (15) & Prep KS (9) (24) (leave 1.10pm, lesson 1.30pm-2.15pm, return about 2.45pm).

Please remember to have your child’s clothing labelled, towels, change of underwear, caps, goggles, thongs or sandals (children can wear to and from the pool so they don’t have to worry about socks and shoe laces), plastic or swimming bag for wet bathers etc...If children with long hair don’t have caps, they should try and tie hair in a bun or at least together so it will be out of their eyes. Final payments need to have been made before the 1st session Monday, the 21st of November. The office doesn’t want to be chasing up any money after that date.

Seabrook hats are available for purchase from the front office.

Bucket hat $12
Wide Brimmed hat $12
A big thank you to everyone involved in organising the Matilda excursion especially Mrs Lockwood, Mrs Cassar and Mrs Lee for your help and support on the day! A special thank you to the ladies in the office for all of their organisation and support. Both students and teachers were amazed at the quality of the performance. It was great to see students who hadn’t seen a professional production before so engaged and in awe of their surroundings. It was a wonderful day and we will be looking forward to seeing if we can organise something similar in the years to come.

Mr Smith
Performing Arts Teacher

After the performance the students were fascinated by some of the effects of the performance and how it came together. These are the questions that arose after the performance.

How did they do the writing on the board when the chalk moved by itself?
How did they do the cake?
How did they make the sets and props move?
  e.g. The cup fall over
How do you get an audition?
How long did it take to get it ready?
How many days of rehearsal?
How hard was it to remember the lines?
How many people worked on the production?
What happens when they forget a line?
How old were the actresses?
How long have they been singing?
What was the hardest role to play?
How did they throw the little girl and she did not get hurt?
How much money do the kids make?
How much did the whole production cost?
How old are the kids?

We are hoping to find out the answers to these questions.
Many thanks to our Seabrook community, $81,000 has been raised thus far over 2 years. These funds are going towards our soccer field project commencing very soon.
Please do not park over our neighbours driveways when dropping off or when collecting your children. Thank you.

A big thank you to everyone that help their students participate in the ‘walk to school’ initiative.

11,356 students participated in this initiative.

Thanks to all our families who came into the library last week and bought a book or merchandise. $2038 was the profit margin the library raised. This will go towards new books for our growing library.

Thanks everyone for your support.

Friday 25th of November is our scheduled Lock Down Drill

Please return any outstanding books to our library as all books need to be accounted for.

Thank you
Raelene Gramsbergen
Let’s Celebrate

Seabrook Primary School’s Christmas Concert

We invite the Seabrook Community and their families and friends to join us as we celebrate the Christmas season.

Wednesday, 7th December

Prep to Grade 2 Concert from 6pm to 7pm (approximately)

Grade 3 to Grade 6 Concert from 7:30pm to 8:30pm (approximately)

• Seating on the oval is not provided so we suggest for your comfort to bring along chairs and picnic rugs.
• Students need to assemble at their classrooms no later than 15 minutes before their concert begins.
• Walk to school if possible, as parking will be very scarce.
• We request that you do not park in the shopping complex adjacent to our school.
• Bring along a picnic basket or purchase a hot snack at school and cold drink.
• Alternative date due to the weather will be Thursday 8th December. (An alert on Skoolbag App if weather unpredictable)
• Purchase a baked item from the Baked Sale from 5:30pm.
The Fundraising Team is holding a bake sale on the Christmas concert night to assist with the costings of the fantastic new soccer field and playground being built this year. We would love it if you could assist us with making a plate of goodies for sale. The week before the bake sale each family will receive a pack with a plate and instructions for the bake sale.

WEDNESDAY 7th DECEMBER
FROM: 5:30pm until sold out

NO NUT PRODUCTS

NO ITEMS THAT NEED TO BE REFRIGERATED

We will provide you with a sticky label as all ingredients must be labelled or we can not accept or sell.

Please feel free to label your fresh baked item as Gluten free, Vegetarian or Halal if appropriate.

Extra Bake Packs (plate, bag, label & ribbon) will be available if you wish to make more than one pack.

IDEAS OF THINGS TO MAKE

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Get your thinking hats on to work out what you will be making!

Please remember we don’t have refrigeration facilities.
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

Using your app store search Qkr for a secure and easy way to pay for school items.
For your information

Wish to advertise your business or event with us?
Contact: Maureen Murphy on 9395 1758
e-mail: murphy.mary.d@edumail.vic.gov.au
$5.50 including GST for a business card size advertisement
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Summer Food Drive
Mon 7 Nov - Fri 2 Dec 2016

ITEMS NEEDED
- UHT Full Cream Milk
- Vegetable Oil
- Rice: Long Grain / Basmati
- Flour
- Black Tea or Coffee
- Diced Tomatoes
- Tinned Kidney Beans or 5 Bean Mix
- Salt & Pepper
- Sugar
- Dried Chickpeas
- Dishwashing Liquid
- Spices

DROP POINTS
- Newport Community Education Centre
  3 Moono Street, Newport
- Williamstown Community & Education Centre
  14 Thompson Street, Williamstown
- Yarraville Community Centre
  50 Francis Street, Yarraville
- Lucas Joel Arts & Community Centre
  50 Esplode Street, Altona

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"Il Sole brilla"
-The sun is shining
CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who received certificates this week:

Bronze 10 Deposits – Willow K
Silver 20 Deposits – Jayden H and Gayle L

For your information

School Banking

LAST WEEK TO DEPOSIT AND REDEEM REWARDS IS WEDNESDAY 30TH NOV.
2 WEEKS TO GO

Dates to Remember for Seabrook School Banking

*Wednesday 30th November 2016 – Last day to deposit and redeem
*Tuesday 7th February 2017 – Commonwealth Bank account opening day 8.30am to 9.30am & 2.30pm to 3.30pm (held in kitchen next to the prep playground)
*Wednesday 8th February 2017 First week of school banking for 2017 (Preps will bank on Tuesday until they start full time.)

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Do you have a school banking questions or query?
Email: seabrookschoolbanking@gmail.com
Seabrook School Banking Volunteers

An important message for Youthsaver account holders: Make a deposit at any branch of the Commonwealth Bank during January. The interest rate for Youthsaver accounts is only 0.01% p.a however you can earn BONUS INTEREST of 2.3% p.a. if you make at least one deposit and no withdrawals every month. So even if you can’t bank every single week, at least make one deposit each month so you can earn bonus interest.

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.
### SEABROOK TIMELINE

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#### Additional Notes:
- Grade 3 & 4 Assembly 9am - 9:30am
- Prep Swimming Program
- Thank you morning Tea to parents
- Last School Banking Day 2017 Prep Information Evening 7pm – 8pm
- Reports to go home
- Prep Assembly 2:30pm - 3pm

#### Let's Celebrate Seabrook Primary School’s Christmas Concert

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