From the Principal

Dear Parents / Guardians

WORKING BEE THIS FRIDAY
Our final working bee will be held this Friday straight after school and we are hoping lots of parents will bring some tools with them and stay after school to help clean the classroom chairs and take part in some other general cleaning activities.

It is usually a fun afternoon and the children really enjoy doing something practical for their classrooms. If you are coming please bring gloves for your child and yourself and any cleaning equipment you might have including old towels. Please see page 4 for other details.

PAINTER WANTED
We are wanting to paint a giant chess board in our grounds to further promote chess as a worthwhile activity for thinking and strategy building. If there is someone who is prepared to volunteer their services we would be very grateful to hear from you.

RECOGNITION OF PAST STUDENTS
The principal of Emmanuel College has informed us that three of our past students have been appointed to leadership positions in their school for next year. Each of the three students, John L, Jake M and Lauren T have been recognized for their capacity to leadership and service, as senior students at the college. We too, are very proud of their achievements and wish them well.

Are you leaving Seabrook Primary at the end of 2016?

This information helps us with our planning for 2017.

If your children are not re-attending 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)

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

will be leaving Seabrook Primary School at the end of term 4 in 2016

and will be attending ______________________ school

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 on any important student information.

New Address: ______________________
Contact Number: ______________________

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

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BOOK PACKS AND FEES
A reminder book pack and fees are now due for 2017. The booklist is divided into 3 parts so parents can see the breakdown and where the payments go. The school does not make extra money on items. All funds go directly back into programs and equipment for all the children to access. Paying part 1 for the individual stationary guarantees your child will have this pack delivered to the classroom by the 1st day of term 1, 2017. You can pay now for all parts at the office or by using the Qkr app.

EXPLANATION OF COSTS FOR 2017 BOOKLIST

This explanation is to assist parents in understanding our booklist.

Part 1 Individual student stationery costs
The price of $60 is to ensure quality items can be included on the booklist for personal student requisites. Families can buy these items but it is recommended they are bought through the school as the school can negotiate the best price by buying the items in bulk. It is very helpful if all students have the same supplies and materials and that all student's resources are of a high quality.

Part 2 Essential educational items shared across all curriculum areas
The cost of $235 covers items shared across all curriculum such as -
• Kitchen materials and requisites
• Classroom project materials
• iPad Program
• Mathletics
• Brain Pop
• Reading Eggs
• iTunes Licences
• eLearning

Part 3 School Council optional levy
The $40 charge per family covers costs for grounds maintenance work and enhancements wages, but this can be reclaimed by families when attending a working bee in 2017.

CLASSES FOR 2017
As part of their professional learning teachers quite often will teach in different year levels from year to year. To avoid disappointment please do not make requests for particular teachers. Next year there will be some teacher and room changes.

In planning grades for the next year teachers spend a considerable amount of time looking at friendship groups and in creating positive, balanced classes. Teachers have observed the children over the past 12 months looking for good working partnerships and use this information when building grades for 2017. Your child will be placed with at least one of their listed friends. Some of the greatest attributes we can develop in our children is the ability to cope with change and develop resilience and develop a wide range of relationships. Children need to learn how to make new friends and work cooperatively with others in different settings. These are life-long skills.

GRADE 6 GRADUATION
The grade 6 graduation ceremony is being held on Monday 12th December at the newly renovated venue, Encore in Werribee. This is an opportunity for parents to join their children in celebrating their years at Seabrook Primary School. Information about tickets will be available this Friday. Parents will be able to purchase up to 5 tickets at approximately $15.00 each.

END OF YEAR ASSEMBLY
The whole school end of year assembly is held about 12:45pm on the last day of term in the courtyard. This is a chance for the children of Seabrook to say ‘goodbye’ to the year 6 leaders and to recognize the year 5 students. It is also a time to say ‘farewell’ and thank you to children and teachers leaving. Last year the weather was extremely hot and for the children’s comfort and safety we were forced to remain under the covered way. Please feel free to join us and we hope the weather will be kinder to us this year.

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END OF YEAR DISMISSAL
The children will be dismissed from their classrooms at **1:30pm on Tuesday 20th December** following our end of year assembly. Please make arrangements for your child/ren to be collected from their classrooms at this time.

STAGE
A further reminder to any parents who are able to help set up the stage on Wednesday 7th December at 9:30am. We are seeking more helpers and require assistance with the dismantling process at the end of the event. Please let us know if you can help or stay behind on the night. To put on a polished concert that every parent can see their child we need help with the stage.

DATES FOR 2017
For children in years 1 - 6 school starts for 2017 on **Wednesday 1st February** at 8:50am. Our prep children will be given starting times and dates individually for their first day either Thursday or Friday 2nd and 3rd of February.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT
We are looking forward to our concert next week. The children have been practicing and preparing to share their singing and ‘dancing’ moves with each other and our parent community. On the night we will have some hot foods, fruit flavoured mineral and bottled water available. A coffee van will here on the night also. We will have home baked goodies and our own worm castings fertilizer ($5) for sale. There will be a children’s Christmas raffle, and an adult raffle running throughout the evening.

CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS STOCKING RAFFLE
The children’s Christmas stocking is on display in the administration building. This raffle is for the children of Seabrook Primary School and will be drawn during the Christmas concert on Wednesday 7th December. Tickets are on sale now and are priced 50c each or 3 for $1. Children may bring money to school to purchase tickets at recess and lunch and also on the night.

PARKING INSPECTORS
Please be advised parking inspectors will be enforcing the local parking laws around our school.

CADBURY CHOCOLATE DRIVE PRIZE WINNERS
Congratulations to the following children for a terrific effort in selling chocolates as part of our major fundraising activities.

First prize
- Laura D - 4RE
- Jonah C - 3DW
- Alexis B - 1LJ

Second prize
- Kiani K - 1SP
- Lachlan M - 3DW
- Dante Y - 3NM
- Ruby C-M - 3SP
- Chrissy P - 1LJ

Third prize
- Richard H - PMT
- Ivana A - PGC
- Mia B - 4RE
- Deborah - 2MB
- Ha Y - 4MT
- Olivia T - 1HR
- Aiman D - 3DW
- Jennifer B - 3NM
- Cooper B - 3KM
- Jonah C - 3DW
- Carson R - 5KP
- Dante Y - 3NM
- Ruby C-M - 3SP
- Sam B - 2HR
- Katia S - 5JB

The following children receive a lucky dip prize for selling a full box
- Richard H - PMT
- Ivana A - PGC
- Mia B - 4RE
- Deborah - 2MB
- Ha Y - 4MT
- Olivia T - 1HR
- Aiman D - 3DW
- Jennifer B - 3NM
- Cooper B - 3KM
- Jonah C - 3DW
- Carson R - 5KP
- Dante Y - 3NM
- Ruby C-M - 3SP
- Sam B - 2HR
- Katia S - 5JB

Thank you to everyone who was able to sell some chocolates and full boxes. We have raised $11,000 towards our grounds project which is now underway. We still have full boxes for sale for $60.00. Please let us know if would like one or more. The children will be thrilled when the new play area is ready for next year.

Have a great week ahead.

Sue & Staff
Working Bee

All families are invited to attend Seabrook’s working bee on

Friday 2nd December
3:15pm - 5:30pm

We are planning to give our school chairs a good clean and do a general tidy up around the buildings.

What to bring -
- gloves and other safety equipment
- brooms
- high pressure water cleaners
- scrubbers

We hope you can spare a couple of hours to help the Seabrook School community. Families are welcome to reclaim their working bee levy for 2016.
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.
Christmas raffle for the children of Seabrook Primary School.

Tickets are 50c each or 3 for $1.

This raffle will be drawn at the Christmas concert.
Thunderstorm asthma: Supporting students

Thunderstorms have been linked to epidemics of asthma, especially at the end of Spring, when grasses are flowering.

An asthma attack can be life threatening. Anyone experiencing wheezing, chest tightness and difficulty breathing should call 000.

Anyone with a known history of asthma is at risk of experiencing an exacerbation of their usual symptoms at this time.

In addition, people who do not usually experience symptoms of asthma but have a history of allergies may be at increased risk.

The common signs of asthma are difficulty in breathing (gasping for air), chest tightness and wheezing.

If a child's condition is deteriorating, parents or guardians should seek urgent care. Signs of rapid deterioration include little or no relief from a reliever inhaler, inability to speak comfortably, or lips turning blue.

People with asthma should continue to use their usual medications. Where possible, stay inside when the weather is windy with high pollen counts or dust.

Actions required

If a child is experiencing symptoms, notify their parents immediately (if you require advice, call Nurse on Call in the first instance). If the child's symptoms include wheezing, chest tightness and difficulty breathing, call 000.

For any child having an asthma attack, follow the instructions in their Asthma Care Plan (required for any child who has asthma, under the Department's asthma policy). If an Asthma Care Plan is not available, follow the four-step asthma first aid, which is:

1. Sit the person upright and give reassurance – do not leave them alone.
2. Without delay, give the person four separate puffs of their blue/grey reliever medication (such as Airomir, Asmol, Bricanyl or Ventolin). If using a puffer (like Ventolin or Asmol), this should be taken one puff at a time through a spacer. Ask the person to take four breaths from the spacer after each puff of medication.
3. Wait four minutes. If there is little or no improvement, repeat steps 2 and 3.
4. If there is still no improvement, call 000 for an ambulance immediately. Repeat steps 2 and 3 continuously while waiting for the ambulance to arrive.

Have you informed the school of any changes to your child’s asthma management plan? Please see Mrs Susan Joyce at the front office. Thank you
Two weeks ago I sent home a survey to families of grade 1 students about the Italian program introduced at the school: Music in Italian. I wanted to say a BIG THANK YOU to all the families who returned the survey with many comments and suggestions to improve the program for next year.

Surveys sent home: 92
Surveys returned: 48
Some of the comments I will take into account in planning this program for next year:

It’s a good idea to learn new language through music. Will be happy if the program is continued next year.

I didn’t realise my child was involved in this program until it was well underway. Maybe some material or work they’ve been doing could be sent home periodically and they can explain it all to us! I think it’s a great idea to have such a program.

Homework instructions to support what is taught in the classroom each week with some basic translations for parents could be helpful to better outline the program to parents too.

And some happy children (and parents!)

I’m really impressed with Willow’s work, she remembers the words and speaks them really well!

Alexandra has really enjoyed learning Italian. Throughout the year she has included me in her enjoyment and learning by explaining to me what she has learnt. She is genuinely excited about learning another language. She also likes singing songs in Italian.

Olivia has really enjoyed Italian. She often shares new words and activities from class with us at home!

Matthew has enjoyed this class and is interested in learning more.

Elliot enjoys learning Italian and will tell me new words he has learned.

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Grazie!
Maestra Elena
For our ‘Where we are in place and time’ inquiry, we have been looking into the central idea ‘The food people eat can be produced in many ways and places.’ The students have been involved in lots of experiences to help further develop their understanding of this inquiry.

Our experiences included the Chesterfield Farm excursion, the Fresh Farmers Market incursion and by doing some cooking in class. We have made fruit kebabs and later this week we will be making bread.

We were risk takers when we tried new fruits and created our own fruit kebabs. Yum!
Our tip: Pizza boxes, paper bags or cardboard boxes containing food also need special treatment before putting them into your recycling bin. Take out all food items before recycling and remember if the cardboard/paper box or paper bag is too soiled or greasy it cannot be recycled.

Aneesh J, Brendan T and Rory G

Our tip: Rinse out containers, jars and bottles before putting them in your recycling bin.

Phoenix B and Rushil C
Fundraiser to help build a well in Africa

Christmas Concert Raffle

Tickets $2 each

Raffles Prizes

1st prize - One night for two people at Crown Towers Hotel (Value $700)
2nd prize - Dinner for two at The Conservatory Restaurant (Value $250)
3rd prize - Boxed bottle of Johnnie Walker Platinum Label Scotch Whiskey (Value $100)

My name is Jake and I am holding a raffle to help build a well in Africa. The idea came from my summative assessment about poverty. I wrote a proposal and presented it to my teacher and Mrs Lee. I was relieved when Mrs Lee said I could do it. Access to clean water in Africa is a major problem. I would like to create awareness of this issue and try to make a meaningful difference. I would love for everyone to support this great cause. My goal is to raise $500. Please look out for me and my classmates selling the raffle tickets on Christmas Concert night.
Is your child leaving school with a MacBook or other 1:1 device?

At about this time every year we start to prepare for the roll over into the new school year. It is also the time when students who are leaving start to prepare and collect all of their educational memories of their time at Seabrook Primary School, including that from Apple 1:1 devices.

If your child is leaving school with a 1:1 Apple device, then they must:

1. Carefully back up any files, pictures or movies that you are wishing to keep. Parents and their children are responsible for backing up anything that they need, as the school simply does not have the resources to store student or parent work saved on these devices. **A method used for backing up a MacBook is attached to this message.**
2. Initially, all 1:1 Devices were purchased tax free, and because these devices are now leaving the school, it is a requirement for us where the school must transfer control/ownership from the Department to your family. During this formality parents may incur a small "Residual" tax payment (of $50 or less). This is a Department requirement of ending the original contract with the school, and transferring ownership to families. Many families have already paid this final residual payment, however some are yet to complete this step. You will be notified if your device contract needs to be ended.
3. Once backed up, each Grade 6 class (as a whole), and every other individual leaving, must take their machine to the ICT department for software cleansing. **All files will be deleted during this process.** It will involve all MacBook’s, BYOM MacBook’s, and iPad 1:1 devices. Once this process is complete, machines can only be collected from the front office, or ICT Department.
4. **FINALLY:** When parents first turn on the reimaged MacBook, they then have their first opportunity to create an Administrator user name and password. If you let a child be the first to turn it on, and create the opening account, they will become the first administrator. **Please decide carefully which is best for your home IT needs, (you or your child becoming the administrator of the device).**

Do you have a used school 1:1 MacBook for sale?

If your child has been participating in our 1:1 Program, and is now leaving the school, then we have parents who are wanting to purchase used, fully functional MacBook computers.

We know most of our students never want to part with their old MacBook's, or may be taking them to their next school, however if you do need to sell your child's used MacBook, then please bring it into Seabrook PS for a condition appraisal and valuation.

If the school believes it is in good condition, and you agree to the price, then we have parents on a waiting list who may buy your child's pre-loved MacBook.
Mums, Dads, Nanas, Grandads, family and friends!

**your help is needed!**

Unfortunately, even with your super effort, our chocolate drive has not been as successful as previous years. We still have just over 100 boxes left.

With your help, we would love to sell them as quickly as possible. If you are able (or have a great spot at work where they sell themselves) please complete the form that has been sent home and the box or boxes will be delivered to your child’s classroom to take home.

Remember all funds raised goes to the school’s new playground project which we are happy to announce that work has already commenced.

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We presently still have Sweet Treats boxes in stock to sell. As every dollar counts towards our fundraising goals would you be happy to sell another FULL box at $60.

☐ Yes I will.  **Sorry NO returns accepted**

Parent name and signature __________________________

Contact number ________________________________

Child’s name______________________________ Grade ________

Amount of box/es wishing to sell ______________

Please return sold chocolates by 12th December. Thank you so much for your continued support.
Please make sure to return ALL Seabrook books to the library this week. Books can NO longer be borrowed from the library.

Thank you
Raelene Gramsbergen

Can you help us locate?
A Razor branded silver metal scooter from the bike rack at school, if so contact Harrison’s (0GC) mum on 0438 577 025

Seabrook hats are available for purchase from the front office.

Bucket hat $12
Wide Brimmed hat $12

Italian word of the week
E’ Dicembre

Meaning -
It’s December

Pronunciation -
E Dichembre

Purchase your school uniform from or order online

2 Aviation Road. Laverton. 3028
Phone 9360 9008
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
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
$22 including GST for a 1/4 page advertisement

Seabrook Basketball Club is URGENTLY seeking U/8 players to help fill our team, boys & girls!

Need to be born; 2010, 2011

If you know of anyone interested, please get them to contact either Nikki Coulson on (0401 608 973) or Jason Ware (0414 779 840)

Christmas Toy Drive

Donate new, unwrapped presents for asylum seeker children aged 0-17 in Melbourne’s west.

Monday 31 Oct - Friday Dec 9 2016

DROP POINTS and AVAILABLE TIMES:
Westgate Vineyard Church Williamstown
1/100 Champion Road Newport / information for donations
WWW Warehouse Sunshine West 6/46 Villa Drive Sunshine West / Box outside for donations

Munin Daycare & Boarding at Point Cook
5/22-30 Walkawe Ave, Point Cook / Twin Pits 7am-6pm

Please drop off your donations to room 40 by Thursday December 1st.
CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who received certificates this week:

**Bronze 10 Deposits** - Harry L

**Silver 20 Deposits** - Jacob E and Layla K

**Gold 30 Deposits** - Nithika A, Seth L, Cale S, Denys D and Adam M

For all enquires phone Hanah 0448 256 147

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**School Banking**

School Banking is finished for 2016

A big thank you for volunteering your time each week to keep this fantastic program running

Melissa, Helen, Anita, Jason, Shelley, Eva, Vaishali and Renee

Farewell to Melissa and Helen who are leaving Seabrook this year, thanks for all the time you have given the program, we wish you all the very best for the future.

**Important Dates for Seabrook School Banking**

* 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

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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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**Let’s Celebrate Seabrook Primary School’s Christmas Concert**

**Wednesday 7th December**

- Prep - Grade 2 from 6pm -7pm (approximately)
- Grade 3 - Grade 6 from 7:30pm – 8:30pm (approximately)

**Grade 6 Graduation** 6:30pm - 8:30pm

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**Grade 6 Fun Day 9am - 3pm**

**December 20th children will be dismissed from their classrooms at 1:30pm to start the Christmas holidays.**