

Seaford Park News



Our Mission: To encourage and facilitate the development of each child in all we do.

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From the Principal's Pen.

BUSHWAHZE PIRATE PARTY

What a fantastic day of rehearsals culminating in the performance last Thursday evening. Each class showcased their talents and had a lot of fun entertaining all of us.



REMEMBRANCE DAY

Nelly and Ciaran, our school leaders were guest speakers at Tuesday's Remembrance Day commemorations at the Seaford RSL. Nelly outlined her thoughts about how her grandparents remembered war time and how sad it was to lose loved ones, and how thankful she is that she lives a free and happy childhood. She then recited a poem. Ciaran chose the famous Poppies in Flanders Field poem to read and told the audience why the poem is special to him.

HOUSE SPORTS

We will be running our HOUSE sports again this year. This event will be on Thursday 20th November commencing at 9.30 am and conclude by recess. Children can dress in a tee shirt of their house colour. The Prep to 2 students will compete on one side of the oval whilst the Years 3 to 6 will be on the other side. The events include hurdles, sprints and middle distance events, concluding in a voluntary distance race for Years 3 to 6 earning double points. All students will earn points for their houses and the final scores will be tallied to find the winning house. The House Sports shield will be engraved with the winning house. All parents are invited to come along and cheer for their children. We would welcome assistance with setting up prior to 9.20am.

BOOKLISTS 2015

The 2015 booklist will be sent home tomorrow (Friday 14th November). The Essential Education Items per child will be reduced. The Voluntary component remains at \$40 with only one payment per family. In addition the booklist / stationery will need to be paid. This comprises a complete stationery pack that your child/ren will receive at book collection. Please ensure that the booklists are completed and returned to school no later than Friday 28th November. Collection day is Wednesday 28th January in the small gallery from 12 noon to 2pm.

GRAFFITI KIT

Donna Bauer and Minister Ed O'Donohue dropped off a graffiti kit wheelie bin last week. It is a comprehensive kit with everything we need to remove graffiti. I hope we do not have to use it!

Julie Braakhuis
Principal



Dates to Remember:

November

Friday 14th

2015 Prep Transition 2pm
Parent Information session

2015 Booklists distributed

Tuesday 18th

School Council 6pm

Thursday 20th

House Sports
Hot food day

Friday 21st

2015 Prep Transition 2pm
Parent Information session

Tuesday 25th

34A Literacy Buddies
excursion

Friday 28th

Prep excursion to
Cranbourne Botanical
Gardens

2015 Booklist due back

December

Monday 1st

Junior School Council
3.15pm

Tuesday 2nd

Buildings and Grounds sub-
committee meeting 8.30am

Thursday 4th

Marketing and Promotions
sub committee meeting 6pm

Tuesday 9th

Year 6 Transition to
Secondary School

2015 Prep Transition 2pm

School Council 6pm

Thursday 11th

Parents Club AGM 9am

Wednesday 17th

Year 6 Graduation

Thursday 18th

Reports go home

Friday 19th

Last day of school



JOGATHON

We have had another awesome year doing our jogathon. Thanks to your participation and to Kylie Fisher for putting this fun event day together. We raised \$1900 in total. Congratulations to Logan Vogel from Prep A who had the highest sponsorship amount of \$217. We hope you all enjoy your much deserved prizes.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE DONATIONS

If anyone has any unwanted new toys or vouchers they would like to donate to our Christmas Raffle there will be a collection box outside the office. With everyone's help we usually have up to 50 Raffle Prizes to draw on the last day of school, as well as our huge Christmas stocking full of goodies. Tickets will be going home start of December so start clearing out those unwanted or unused **new items** and donate them to a great cause. Thanks

TRUE BLUE TRIVIA NIGHT

Thanks to all those who came and enjoyed a very entertaining evening.



ICY POLES

On sale every WEDNESDAY lunchtime 1.10 – 1.30. After school on FRIDAYS 3.15 – 3.30. \$1 each or 50c for a Zooper Dooper. Heaps of great flavours to choose from.

LAST HOT FOOD DAY – THURSDAY 20TH NOVEMBER

Pizza slices for \$2 & Cold Drinks \$1.50. Order forms due in by 9.15am Tuesday 18th November at the latest please.

NEXT MEETING -THURSDAY NOV 13TH

Parents Club Room – All welcome to come along to our Planning meeting for 2015

GOALS

Prep A: To be a good friend.

Prep B: To look after our belongings

1/2A: To bring our projects to school.

1/2B: To walk quietly in the corridors.

3/4A: To get our Literacy Big Buddy letters in on time.

4/6A: To settle back into weekly class routines. **5B:** To settle back into school after 2 hectic weeks.



IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO START BANKING

In the last newsletter we told you about an awesome competition where our students can win some cool prizes for the Summer Holidays!!! There are 40 Go Pro Camera's and 150 Dual Lane waterslides to be won!!!! All you need to do is make a deposit before 30 November, 2014 to get entered into the draw. If you have lost your Yellow Book don't worry - just send along your deposit in an envelope with your name and student number/Account number on it and I can send back a brand new Yellow Wallet. EASY! Thanks, and happy banking! Bec Atkins – School Banking Coordinator
0416 948 232 or becatkins02@gmail.com. Full Terms and Conditions can be found at <https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/youth-students/school-banking-program.html>

BOOK FAIR

Hello all, we will be holding one more special Book Fair for 2015. It is a buy one, get one free book fair! This event provides everyone with an opportunity to add twice as many books to their home library, or buys as gifts for Xmas. For every book purchased you receive a second book of equal or lesser value FREE to give as a gift to a friend, teacher, donate back to the library or keep yourself. There are 100's of books to choose from! Seaford Park Primary does not receive any profits from this book fair, it is being run to thank the whole school community for their wonderful support throughout the year. It is going to be held on **Monday 1st Dec until Wednesday 3rd Dec** before and after school. A Secret Santa session will be held on Wednesday at lunch for anyone that would like to come along with children to make a purchase. So come along and buy some books and grab a bargain!

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

Seaford Park Primary students in Prep to Year 2 have been participating in the Premiers Reading Challenge 2014. This required the students to read a set number of books from the Premier's Reading list and maintain a reading log. Congratulations to all 83 students. Everyone in Prep to Year 2 completed the challenge! A certificate of your wonderful achievement will be handed out to you soon. Well done to the junior members of the school!
Kerry McManus and Melissa Simencic Premier Co-ordinators.

MOOMBA SWIM SCHOOL

7 Moomba Avenue Seaford. Learn to swim in a bright pleasant atmosphere. Babies, Pre-Schoolers, Children and Adults. Teachers all Aust Swim qualified. Pay As You Go. Ring 9786 3324



FRANKSTON CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Saturday 29th November 2014, 5pm to 10pm. Davey Street Frankston. frankston.vic.gov.au 1300 322 322



Seaford Park Primary School is
proud to present our
Pupil Of The Month



Seaford Park Primary School is
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Pupil Of The Week.

PREP A – Kelly Z - wonderful work she does at school and always trying her best.

PREP B - Maxim A - being a superstar helper with beautiful manners.

1/2A - Tahlia C - demonstrating persistence in all academic areas and for working co-operatively in groups.

1/2B - Tori-Lee T - always having a happy and positive attitude to her learning

3/4A - Mary S - being a dedicated and hard working student.

4/6A - Declan S - great attitude he displayed towards his work throughout the month.

5/6B - Luke O - for helping his peers all term and at camp Coolamatong.

ART - Gabrielle I - working extra hard in art and always doing her best. Well Done Gabby!

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH - Luke O

PREP A – Amie K - lovely reading to Mrs Lloyd.

PREP B - Matilda H - trying so hard to improve her handwriting.

1/2A – Danny F - displaying persistence in his maths activities.

1/2B - Akon D - making amazing improvements with her writing. A fantastic effort, well done.

3/4A - Gabie S - putting so much effort into our Pirate Concert.

4/6A - Oska M - great effort and sportsmanship he displayed playing 'Frisbee Golf'.

5/6B - Sarah L - doing all of the monitor jobs while her peers were away. Thank you.

ART - Maddy L - trying extra hard in art and producing beautiful work.

PRINCIPAL - Sarah L & Olivia L - being fantastic monitors during camp week..

YEAR 5-6 CAMP RECOUNTS & PHOTOS



On Monday the 27th of October 31 happy, excited campers and 5 adults set off to Camp Coolamatong in the pouring rain. As soon as we arrived the rain stopped and stayed that way for the rest of the week. We met the camp leaders who were so welcoming, set up our rooms and from that moment it was non-stop action for the rest of the camp. We all shared some great experiences from bush cooking, abseiling, milking a cow, feeding the chooks, initiative activities, canoeing, a boat trip across Gippsland Lakes to 90 mile beach for games and lunch, archery, bike riding, singing at night, a bush walk, disco, trivia night, bingo, and adventure race, raft making, low ropes, fishing and Frisbee golf. The final highlight of the camp was the big splash fight after our Adventure activity with all children, teachers and helpers involved. The food was great and we all genuinely had a fantastic time. Not many of us wanted to come home on Friday. We said our goodbyes to our fabulous camp leaders and it wasn't long before we all arrived at Seaford Park feeling tired but exhilarated from our visit to Camp Coolamatong. We are now making our personalized re-counts of our time at the camp and hopefully they will be ready soon to take home. A big thank you to Mr. Warren Wright, Nathan James (Student teacher) and Jenny Barber who capably and enthusiastically assisted the teachers on the camp.

Geoff Triplow

Samantha Griffiths

BUSH WAHZEE

Kalani - At the Bush Wahzee I was in the wiggle group. It was fun. Then we sat on the floor. We saw the bad pirate. We watched the treasure and said "Yo-ho-ho!"

Stephen - The best part of the Bush Wahzee was when the man shook my hand. Mum and Dad were there watching me. Nan and Pop were watching too.

Maxim - We watched the performers and in the show I was the swimmer. We did a dance to the audience.

Caden - I went to the pirate show and I danced like a monkey.



MASTERS - CHILDRENS WORKSHOP - MAKE YOUR OWN WOODEN PLANE

Masters Home Improvement Carrum Downs, Cnr Frankston/Dandenong Rd and Hall RD. Ph: 8762 9200. FREE Clinic. Saturdays and Sundays during November. 12noon to 1pm. Register in store at the customer service desk or a phone for booking directed to the service desk by dialing 1300 337 707 extension 100.

24TH ANNUAL FRANKSTON COMMUNITY APPEAL

Friday 5th December - bring a item to place under the tree and wear a Christmas themed t-shirt. Bring a non-perishable food item to place under the Christmas Tree. These items will be made into hampers and given to disadvantaged families in Frankston. **ITEMS NEEDED:** Tinned ham or salmon, tins of garden peas, baby carrots, tiny taters, corn kernels, 1 kg packets of rice, UHT custard, UHT cream, large tins of fruit salad, tinned plum pudding, bottles of cordial, soft drinks or orange juice, Pringles potato chips (non-crushable packaging), family size party mix sweets, box of Christmas bon-bons, Christmas cake, packets of shortbread or anything non-perishable that has a 'Christmasy' label



SEAFORD WETLANDS FUN RUN - INAUGURAL FUN RUN AND WALK. 2KM, 5KM OR 10KM

Enter today to secure your place, and show your support for the Kindred Clubhouse program, who give people with mental illness hope and opportunity to reach their full potential. T-shirt for all competitors. Medals for all finishers. Come along and enjoy food and children's activities at Seaford North Primary School from 9am. To register visit www.rotarypeninsula.org/fun-run. Sunday 23rd November 2014.



HELPING YOUR CHILD BE A CONFIDENT AND INVOLVED LEARNER

Children learn from birth:

Babies learn that they can make things happen (banging on a saucepan makes a noise, smiling at you makes you smile back). They try to solve problems (how can I get this slippery mango into my mouth) and actively explore their world (what's around this corner?). When you encourage and support your child to be a curious and active learner, your child experiences learning as fun and rewarding. They learn to love learning! And that's the key to becoming a confident and involved learner. Confident and involved learners enjoy exploring and experimenting. They meet challenges and take risks. They learn that it's okay to fail and that they can get help when they need it. As they get older they realise that working with others sometimes gets better results than doing things alone! A confident and involved learner persists. The child who can't do a somersault at first, but tries again and again until they succeed has learned the importance of not giving up. They are more likely to face their next challenge with confidence. And if they can't do a somersault, they learn that it's okay to not be able to do it. They can always try again later. Confident and involved learners continue to ask questions and explore their world: Why is the rain wet? Why is Julio crying? Can a frog swim and jump? And they learn where to go to find answers. These basic questions can foster curiosities that form early maths and science concepts.

How can I support my child to be an active and involved learner?

You are your child's first and most important teacher. Your child learns first through relationships with you and others in the family. The opportunities and experiences that you give your child are therefore critical. Make sure your baby has the chance to move around, touch things, taste things, pull things apart and talk to them/converse about things in a way where you both listen to each other, ask a question and pause for a response. Give your child many and varied opportunities for play - time for your child to play alone, with friends and with you. Give your child periods of uninterrupted play that allow them to create, build, discover and imagine. Sensory Play - i.e. touching and feeling lots of different surfaces and materials, is especially important. Older children will begin to take initiative as learners by asking questions when needed and attempting small projects and as they grow they will experiment with ways of expressing and communicating ideas and feelings to particular audiences or for particular purposes. The most important learning for young children happens through everyday experiences. It doesn't require specialised classes or expensive toys, water and sand can offer hours of opportunities to learn and play for children. If you set out to teach a new skill like drinking from a cup or learning to use scissors, repeat the experience so that your child has the chance to practice. Encourage and support your child to be curious and to ask questions. Encourage them to use their imagination and to solve problems. Together, use books and the internet to help them find answers. With older children, encourage them to extend their thinking: Why do you think that happened? How can we fix that? Predict what would happen if . . . ? Encourage older children to use informal measurement units like hand-spans and pencil lengths to make, describe and compare measurements of length, area etc. Encourage and support your child's interests. Children learn at different rates, in different ways and at different times.

Other related newsletters can be found at www.education.vic.gov.au

Related links

[Belonging, Being and Becoming: The Early Years Learning Framework for Australia](#)

[Victorian Early Years Learning and Development Framework for all Children from Birth to Eight Years](#) (2009)

[Curiosity and Confidence](#) – a Kids Matter information sheet

You may also like to read:

Early childhood learning

Helping your child to have a strong sense of identity

Helping your child to connect and contribute to the world

Helping your child to have a strong sense of wellbeing

Helping your child to be an effective communicator

