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SEAFORD NORTH NEWSLETTER

School Mission Statement

Our mission is to provide all Seaford North Primary School students with a high quality, challenging, global education which develops compassion and respect.
We provide engaging learning opportunities that includes essential knowledge, concepts, skills and attitudes, enabling students to transfer these to new situations necessary in a rapidly changing world.
We are committed to differentiation so that students work at their level and are able to make decisions about their learning in line with the curriculum.
We encourage students to take responsibility with their learning so that they can be purposeful and make a difference to themselves and their world.

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Dear Parents, Students, Teachers and Friends,

School Council Elections 2018

I am calling for nominations for the School Council from any parent who feels that they may have the expertise and enthusiasm to contribute to policy making within our wonderful school. Council and sub committees meet once a month; therefore it is not a big time commitment. It would be great to see some new faces.

A big personal thank you to our Parents Club members who have worked tirelessly to make sure we have the best school possible for the betterment of all our children by engaging the school community.

There are 3 **parent** vacancies available - please refer to the information and timelines that you received Tuesday 20th February or contact the office if interested.

PYP

There are exciting times ahead for Seaford North. Seaford North Primary is excited to be in the candidate phase of becoming an authorised International Baccalaureate (IB) Primary Years Programme (PYP) World School. This is a prestigious programme that incorporates an international curriculum framework and methodology with the Victorian Curriculum and Standards and develops the whole child's social, academic and emotional wellbeing through an all-encompassing inquiry approach. It develops personal values that provide children with the capacity to be internationally minded and to adapt and thrive in the global world that we have become a part of. We believe this programme is something that will set our students apart in a continuously changing world.

Just before the next school holidays Ms Seremetis and Ms Gannon will be attending the IB Asia Pacific Annual Conference in Singapore. This annual conference provides an exciting opportunity for educational leaders and decision makers in schools to come together to share best practice around cultivating the way we are educating students and creating an education system that nurtures their abilities. The IB Global Conference Singapore will take place from 25th – 27th March.

It attracts over 1000 educators from around the world, representing 29 countries from over 600 schools throughout the Asia Pacific and Australiana region. The conference provides an opportunity for school leaders and members of the IB regional and global community to come together, challenge and examine our ideas and assumptions, become better informed about changes and developments within schools, international education practices and allows participants to engage in meaningful conversations with colleagues. It provides a platform for all delegates to share experiences, solve common issues and really focus on world-wide best practice.

Motivated by the IB's mission, the conference fosters partnership and participation, providing a forum for discussions on educational quality, pedagogical leadership and international mindedness. Our school now reflects the vibrant, ever changing nature of education, giving

opportunities for self-expression and equipping each student effectively to be a 21st Century learner.

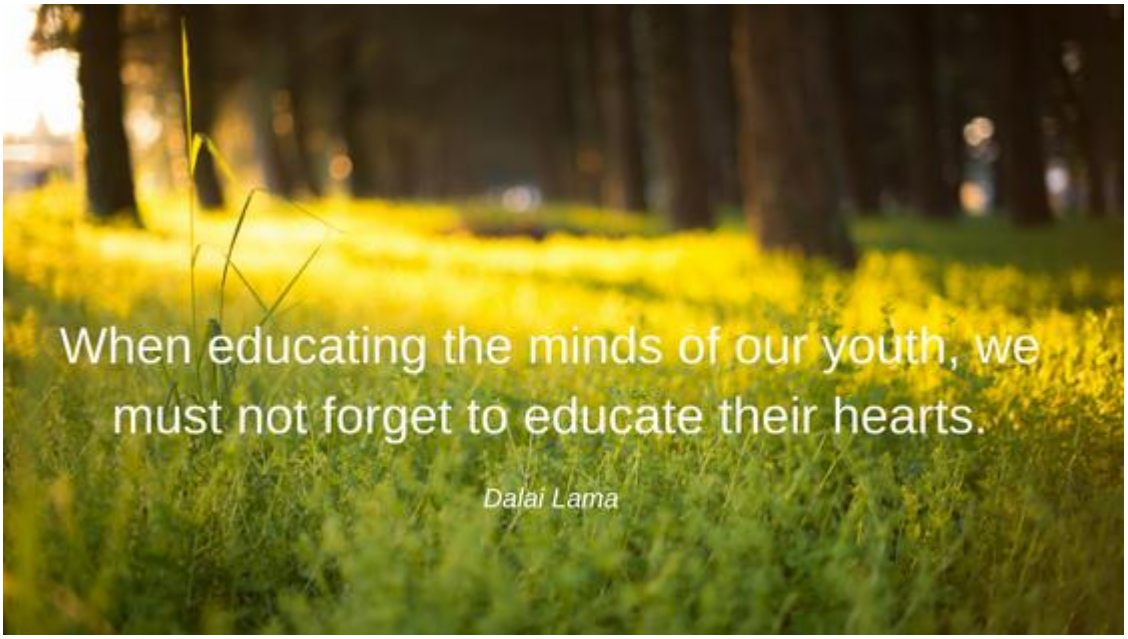
Parent Information Night
Our parent information session will aim to build awareness and understanding around strategies to assist our children to develop resilience, practise gratitude and empathy.

DATE AND TIME
Monday 5 March 2018
7:00pm – 8:30pm AEDT

LOCATION
Patterson River Secondary College
70-98 Eel Race Road
Seaford, VIC 3198

To Book a ticket go to https://snps_reslience_project.eventbrite.com.au

If you have any trouble booking please ring the office on 9786 5674 for assistance.
This is a FREE event.



Lee Murnane

Stars of the Week

Kind Regards, *Lee Murnane Principal*

COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

Sat 25th	Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser- Carrum Downes Bunnings.
Tues 27th	School Council nominations close.

MARCH

Thur 1st	P.G. Rated Movie Grades 1 & 2
Fri 2nd	P.G. Rated Movie Grades 3 & 4
Fri 2nd	District swimming sports.
Mon 5th	Rookeeper Incursion Grades 5/6
Mon 5th	Resilience Project Parent Information Night 7.00pm-8.30pm at Patterson River Secondary College – Ticket Needed
Thurs 8th	Family Fun Night starting 5.30-7.30
Tues 13th	**School Photos**
Tue 13th	Classroom Helpers Information Session 2.30pm
Wed 21st	3-6 Athletics Day

PERMISSION SLIP RETURNS

Parent Helpers Information Session slips to be **returned by Friday 9th March**.

P.G. rated movie grades 1 & 2 Inside Out **Permission notice** to be returned by **Wednesday 28th February**.

P.G Movie grades 3 & 4 Journey to the Centre of the Earth **Permission notice** to be returned by **Friday 2nd March**

Grade 5/6 Rookeeper Incursion **Permission notice** to be returned by **Wednesday 7th March.**

PENSION CARD AND HEALTH CARE CARD HOLDERS PLEASE NOTE

CSEF – Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child. You are eligible if you are the holder of a Health Care Card or a Pension Card that was current as of the 1st day of term one or term 2. If you are eligible please call in to the school office with your card and fill out an Application Form. The annual CSEF amount per student is $125 for primary school students.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Tuesday 13th March

Parents - Keep Informed!

View new and current information by accessing school messages on your phone app. Some features include: Alerts and updates, school forms: change of family details, student absences, and also request a meeting with a staff member. Very handy for school camps or excursions.

Download the free Seaford North App from ITunes Store or Google Play

SCHOOL NOTICES

All notices are to be returned to each child's class teacher including any cash money. Payments for school fees and Eftpos payments come to the office **WITH** paper work.

STUDENT ABSENCE

It is a requirement of The Department of Education & Training that the school is aware of why children are not attending school. If your child is away ill, on holiday, dentist or for whatever reason the school needs to know. You can contact the school to report the absence via any of the below methods:
The Phone App,
Email or Web Page,
Written Note with student when returning to school
Or ring the Office on 03 9786 5674.
If your child is away for 2 days or more it needs to be in writing (school app or email accepted as written confirmation).

PARKING

The School Car Parks are for **STAFF ONLY.**

Zooper Doopers will be available Monday, Wednesday and Friday lunchtimes under the Rotunda. $1.00 each to help the Animal Palace..

PARENT'S CLUB

Bunnings BBQ at Carrum Downes store, come along and buy a sausage.

Family Fun Night Thursday 8th March, Parents club will be having a sausage sizzle on the night.

Athletics Day 21st March , Parents Club will be running a Canteen, order forms for lunches will be sent home closer to the day.

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SEAFORD JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

The Seaford Junior FC are looking for girls of all ages to play in season 2018.
No experience necessary, just come along and join in the fun.
Contact the Prez on 0435 900 674 or via email president@seafordjfc.com.au

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TO ALL Girls wanting to play soccer

Seaford United Soccer Club are starting an Under 12's girls team this year!

The training nights are; Thursdays at 5pm to 6:30 pm starting on the 22nd February. At North Seaford Reserve, Railway Pde, Seaford.

For Further information Contact Andy on
0418 995 973

Happy Chinese New Year!

We all had lots of fun on Chinese dress-up day last week. Thanks so much to all parents for supporting our school and children to prepare some fantastic Chinese costumes. Over the last few weeks, students have been busy taking part in activities to celebrate Chinese New Year. They explored the legend of Chinese New Year and the 12 Chinese zodiacs. They made lanterns, dragons, dancing puppets and Chinese New Year cards. Year 3/4 students were encouraged to use Chinese calligraphy and make their 'Fu' lucky decoration sign. Year 5/6 students had a chance to try Chinese brush painting.
Ms Maggie Wang – Chinese/Mandarin Co-ordinator