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#### 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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# CURRICULUM DAY MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER

### Dear Parents, Students and Friends of Seaford North,

Exciting but busy last few weeks

Transition for our 2018 Foundation students, graduation, excursions and incursions, class parties, reports, our annual **Wetlands Fun Run** next Sunday 26th November, the grade 3/4 camp and the Christmas concert are all events that ensure this will be an exciting but busy last few weeks.

### New and returning Staff in 2018

I am pleased to provide an update regarding 2018 staffing and school structure

In 2018 we look forward to the part-time return from family leave of Ms Nadia Harris and the full time return of Ms. Melanie Turner.

After an extensive interview process I am excited to announce the appointments of Gabrielle Tindall and Alannah Goldsworthy. These very gifted young teachers will add much to our staff. Ms. Yueni Yang is taking 12 months leave in 2018. We thank her for the great work she has done with the Foundation children. The continued high standard of work and student achievement in all the classrooms and specialist areas is testament to the hard work of our teaching staff and the support the children get from home. Yueni has done a wonderful job over the years, always putting in more than expected to ensure the children in her care receive the very best education, socially, emotionally and academically.

### 2018 School Structure (numbers current as at 21th Nov)

Foundationx4Grade 1x4Grade 2x3Grade 3/4x5Grade 5/6x4

We have added an extra class in the 3/4 area to reduce class size. We are, at this point in time, fortunate to be able to do this as the Education Department through their facilities entitlement for schools only allow for classrooms at the ratio of 1 room to 25 students. At our predicted numbers for 2018 we are only entitled to 18 classrooms but will be running 20 next year.

Kind Regards, Lee Murnane Principal

# Permission Slip Return Dates

## Year 3/4 Camp final payment due no later than Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November,

5/6 Surf Lifesaving Program Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Permission note to be returned by Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November with payment of \$22.00.

Urgent Reminder – Book Pack Orders Due

# Photos from our fabulous school disco

Thanks to Ms. Yang and her committee, all the teachers who attended and all our parent helpers on the food. The kids had a wonderful time!



















## COMING EVENTS

<u>NOVEMBER</u>

Tues 28th Foundation 2018 transition 9-10am DECEMBER Mon 4<sup>th</sup> **Pupil Free Day-Curriculum Day** Tue 5<sup>th</sup> Foundation 2018 transition 9-10.30am Wed 6<sup>th</sup> 5/6 Surf Lifesaving program Wed 6<sup>th</sup>-Fri 8<sup>th</sup> 3/4 Camp Tue 12<sup>th</sup> Statewide Orientation Day Foundation 2018 transition 9-10.30am Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Christmas Concert 6.00-7.30pm Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Grade 6 Graduation Dinner

# F-2 SPORTS CARNIVAL 2017

Last Friday saw our Foundation, Grade 1 and Grade 2 students participate in our first F-2 sports day. Students rotated around six different athletics based activities and competed for their house in each event. It was fantastic to see all students joining in and having lots of fun. There was lots of cheering and great sportsmanship. It was great to see many spectators come and enjoy the day by encouraging our students. Thank you to our wonderful Parents Club for organising the lunch on the day and to our enthusiastic F-2 team of teachers for running the event.

Stefanie Middleton P.E. Teacher & Coordinator





#### Term 4 Public Holiday & Term Dates

The last day of school for 2017 is Friday 22 December (early dismissal at 1.30pm). Grade 1 – 6 Students commence the 2018 school year on Tuesday 30 January (teachers commence on Monday 29 January). Foundation students will commence on the same day at 9.30am.

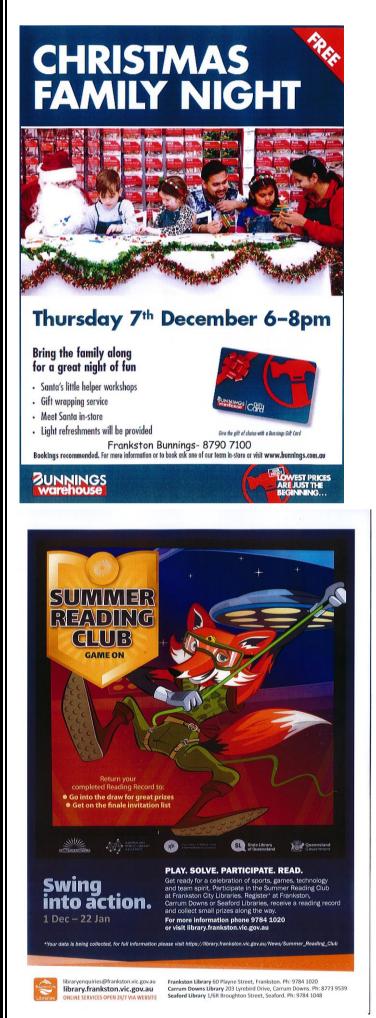
#### Carols Evening and picnic

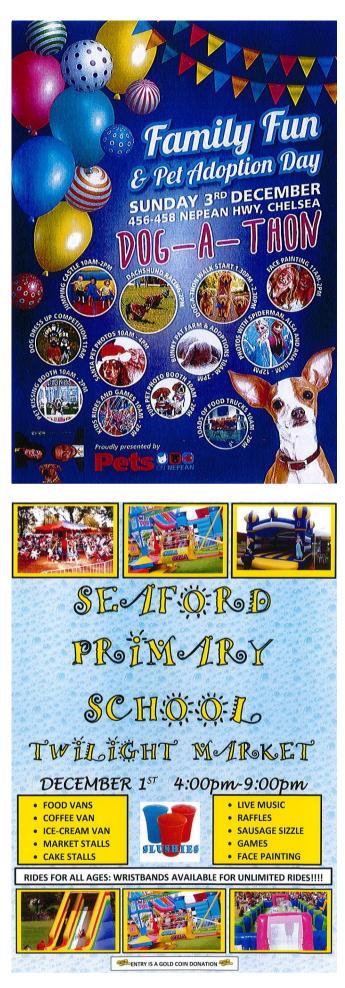
Our Carols Evening will be held on Thursday 14 December (6.00 - 7.30pm). All students will participate and perform an item. The classes will start to prepare their items after the Cup Weekend. Please put this date in your diary as the children love their families to attend.











# **AROUND THE GROUNDS—FOUNDATION**

For our current unit of Inquiry, 'Sharing the Planet', our central idea is 'Animals have features and live in different environments where their needs are met.'

The Foundation students all went to the Melbourne Zoo where they observed and investigated specific animals in their habitats as part of their personal inquiries. We all had a great day despite the heat!

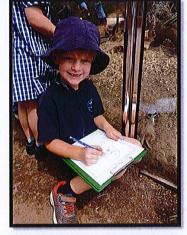
Thank you to the parent helpers who came along!

















### Seaford Wetlands Fun Run.

Last week the Seaford Wetlands Fun Run committee came and presented commendation awards and the first prize to the students from Seaford North primary school, for the winning design of the fun run logo 2017, which goes on the singlets of all competitors in the fun run (500 – 600 runners). Students who were presented with awards extremely excited. It was also great to get the Seaford Wetlands Fun Run message of the out into the community. Hope to see you there Sunday morning

The winning entry came from Maggie-Jak McDonald, congratulations Maggie we can't wait to see all the runners with your design on singlets. Well done!



