NEWSLETTER



6th April 2023

Term 1, Issue 4

Diary Dates – 2023

APRIL

- 6 Last day Term 1 (early finish 1:30pm)
- 24 First day Term 2
- 25 ANZAC Day public holiday (no school)
- 27 Gr 1 Yoga Incursion
- 28 Gr 4 Scienceworks Excursion

MAY

- 3 Gr 3 Human Body Incursion
- 5 P & F Welcome Evening
- 11 Mother's Day Stall
- 12 Mother's Day Breakfast

JUNE

23 Last day Term 2 (early finish 1:30pm)

JULY 10 First day Term

AUGUST

29 School Production

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.



We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of country throughout Australia and their continuing connection to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to them and their Elders past, present and emerging.

Principal's Report

We have certainly packed a great deal into Term 1. Our 2023 Foundation students are settling into their new lives at primary school. The Foundation team have created a warm, welcoming and nurturing environment. The Foundations are also enjoying their time with our specialist teachers and their year 5/6 buddies.

The students in years 1 to 6 have all had a productive term of learning, balanced with some important wellbeing opportunities. We value academic growth across all curriculum areas balanced with respect, resilience and care for all. Our senior students participated in our district swimming carnival, athletics, cross country and interschool sports.

Whilst COVID is still a concern, it is no longer a distraction from us undertaking our core business and focusing on our school's strong tradition of academic excellence and student welfare. A student's life at Seaford North is full of opportunities, being rich and varied with a range of activities in the core curriculum areas of English and Maths, across 'specialist' areas, and including experiences that promote a sense of achievement and growth in their academic, personal, social and emotional development.

We are delighted to welcome Ed Tato to the position of School Council President for 2023. Ed has been an active member of our School Council and is a keen member of our subcommittees. The new School Council met last month and have many exciting projects planned for the new year.

PLEASE NOTE:

LAST DAY OF TERM 1 – THURSDAY 6TH APRIL EARLY FINISH TIME: 1:30PM

TERM 2 BEGINS MONDAY 24TH APRIL – ALL STUDENTS RETURN

FOLLOWED BY A PUBLIC HOLIDAY FOR ANZAC DAY ON THE 25TH NO SCHOOL ON 25TH APRIL





Hallifax Street (PO Box 305), Seaford, 3198, VIC P: (03) 9786 5674 W: www.seaford-northps.vic.edu.au E: seaford.north.ps@education.vic.gov.au We also welcomed a number of new staff who have fitted in wonderfully well and happily embraced the Seaford North culture. We thank all of our teachers and support staff for their hard work this term.

We invite parents to continue to see our school leaders and teachers as approachable and willing to listen to all concerns and contributions. A good relationship between parents and teachers remains as vital as ever in best meeting the needs of the children.

NAPLAN

Our students have completed their NAPLAN testing. I would like to congratulate the students and their teachers for managing this task in such a calm manner. Our students are used to online testing and were not overly concerned about just one more test.

I would also like to thank Paul Ewert, our specialist technician, for ensuring our IT platform had no issues from the backend. Thank you also coordinators Tara Williams and Erin Murry who supported the year levels throughout the testing schedule.

Staffing update

We will be welcoming new staff members in Term 2, including classroom teacher Rosemari McAlear and two more integration aids, Jennifer Beverley and Kladie Hughes.

The last day of Term 1 is this Thursday 6th April. The children finish school at 1.30pm. Please note that Term 2 commences on Monday 24th April.

Wishing everyone a happy and safe holiday. We are looking forward to seeing everyone well rested from the holiday break.

There are many incredible things planned for Term 2. I look forward to experiencing these events alongside all members of our community.

Lee Murnane Principal

Grade 1 Open Afternoon







GRADE I UNIT OF INQUIRY OPEN AFTERNOON

On Tuesday 4th of April, the Grade 1 families had the opportunity to come into the classroom to have a look at the Grade 1's wonderful self-portraits. This demonstrated who they are as a learner showing both their inner and outer self.























SNPS 2023 Production – Frankston Arts Centre – Tuesday 29th August



After five years since our last production at the Frankston Arts Centre, Seaford North Primary School is finally able to have another!

The production this year is titled, 'YouChoose' and follows four friends from Seaford North Primary School, who share ideas, explore Seaford and observe some local volunteer heroes cleaning up the beach with some comical seagulls along for the ride!

The production focuses on the PYP key concepts of:

Perspective, Connection, Responsibility and Change.

A clear theme throughout is sustainability, and each scene and song has a particular theme/focus, with the dialogue linking it all together. Connecting themes include resilience, effects of social media, friendship, kindness and gratitude, connection to the land, and ultimately the take home message is how we all have a choice.

Production Audition Workshops

Our 5/6 students were fantastic in getting prepared for the audition workshops and a huge congratulations to all those who auditioned and were positive risk takers! We had many 5/6 students put in expressions of interest to be in the production cast and audition, the audition workshops ran over two weeks at lunch and recess time. Thank you so much to Ms Mowbray and Ms Spears who assisted with the workshops and filled in the feedback for auditioning students. Congratulations to the 25 students who received parts in the production! Each part is important. We are sure all students will be committed to working hard on their role. We know each of them will do a super job!

We all look forward to working together over the coming months to deliver an engaging, funny and memorable performance for you all to enjoy!

Ms O'Leary

Production Cast – 2023				
Character	Cast 1	Cast 2		
Dara	Hannah Kemp 56W	Ariel Cole 56G		
Madonna	Charlotte Barry 56D	Maddie McFadden 56E		
Court	Darcy Roberts 56E	Sebby Isaacs 56E		
Reason	Grace McHugh 56G	Rose Parker 56G		
	Birds Cast 1	Birds Cast 2		
Bobby Bird	Ivy-Rose Robbins 56T	Asri Jones 56W		
Burty Bird	Asher Savage 56D	Milla Beverly 56W		
Betty Bird	Grace Cleary 56E	Olive Datt 56E		

Production Cast – 2023 continued				
Character	Beach Cleaners			
Ross Headifen - BeachPatrol Australia President	Toby Cowley 56E			
Beth - 3198/3199 Frankston Beach Patrol Volunteer	Millie Rickard 56W			
Melissa - 3184 Elwood BeachPatrol Leader	Evie O'Dell 56W			
Jennie - 3198 Seaford BeachPatrol Volunteer	Charli Mills 56E			
Neil Blake - Port Phillip Bay Keeper	ТВС			
Pam - 3198 Seaford BeachPatrol Volunteer	Eve Lambert 56W			
Rachel Zoe Roberts-O'Connor - 3198 Seaford BeachPatrol Volunteer	Charli Mills 56E			
Heidi Tait - Tangaroa Blue CEO	Edith Uebergang 56E			
Kyra-Georgie - Local Environmental Pioneer	Yumi Leys 56T			
Colleen Hughson - Warrnambool BeachPatrol Manager	Violet Chaberka 56W			
Jill Sokol - Founder of Love Our Street	Asri Jones 56W			
Amy Dave - 3198 Seaford BeachPatrol Leader	Arianni Kucherenko 56G			
Ramona Headifen Port Melbourne BeachPatrol Leader & BPA Treasurer	Emma White 56W			
Simon - 3191 Sandringham BeachPatrol Leader	Toby Cowley 56E			
Peter Talbot - 3199 Frankston BeachPatrol Manager/Leader	Cruz Mitchell 56W			

House Athletics Carnival

On Friday March 10th, Grade 3-6 students participated in our annual 'House Athletics Carnival' at Riviera Reserve in Seaford. It was wonderful to see students dressed in their bright house colours as they participated in and enjoyed all the events. The sportsmanship and encouragement demonstrated was a highlight of the day!

We want to extend a big thank you to the following people:

- Al and the team from Seaford Little Aths, which includes many of our wonderful past and present parents. We are so appreciative of your guidance and expertise.
- Ms Allan and the sport excel students from Patterson River Secondary for assisting with the set-up, pack up, and organisation of the events on the day.
- Our wonderful teachers for bringing lots of enthusiasm and supporting our students.
- Family members and friends that came down to support and cheer on the students throughout the day.

Without the team effort, we would not be able to provide this opportunity for our students. It is greatly appreciated!

Finally, a big congratulations to all students who gave it their best and participated in the events on the day! We hope you enjoyed being able to display the skills you had learnt in PE lessons. Not only was it lots of fun, but your contribution also earned points for your house. The results from the carnival were:

- 1st Green = 1112 points
- 2nd Gold = 982 points
- 3rd Red = 934
- 4th Blue = 755





Grade 3 Gardeners

Our Grade 3 students love getting into the garden! They help take great care of our plants and vegetables.



Students of the Week





Students Arriving Early at School

We have noticed that there are several children arriving at school quite early in the mornings. Students should not be arriving to school before 8:45am as there are no teachers on duty to supervise them. If you need to drop your child off before 8:45am please arrange to book them into before school care with TeamKids.

Uniforms/Belongings

We have noticed a number of jumpers, hats, drink bottles and other uniform items appearing around the school without names. Please be vigilant in clearly naming all uniform items and personal belongings (lunch boxes, sports equipment etc.). This allows us to return any found items to the rightful owner.

Road Safety Around the School

Just a friendly reminder of the importance of road safety during pick up and drop off times. To assist us in maintaining a safe environment during these busy times, please remember to observe ALL street signs located around our school: Airlie Grove, Hallifax Street and Clovelley Parade. Please do not cause congestion by pulling up in areas where cars are constantly moving through. To ensure that all our students are able to safely exit their cars, please find a suitable parking spot beyond the No Standing signs.

Thank you everyone for making SNPS a safe environment for all!

Please also be considerate of our neighbours and turn your engine off if you are parking for longer periods outside their home and do not block their driveways.

News from the Parents & Friends of SNPS

Welcome Evening

Please note date change for our annual wine and cheese night welcome evening for foundation and new families. We will now be holding this event on **Friday 5th May at 7pm**.

This is open to all foundation, and new families. If you missed out on the last couple of years due to covid please make sure you come too so you can meet other families. Please make sure you RSVP to this event (via fb link below or email <u>parentsclubsnps@gmail.com</u>) so we can cater accordingly.

We look forward to seeing you there! https://fb.me/e/32SeCRga1

Mother's Day Breakfast

Mums and carers, in recognition of how tirelessly you work to support your kids, they would like to say thank you by inviting you to a special Mother's Day breakfast.

To RSVP for catering purposes, please click 'going' in the Facebook event or email parentsclubsnps@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you there.

Animal Palace – Help Needed



If you are able to spare some time to help out in the Animal Palace on weekends during Term 2 2023, we would love to hear from you!

Please refer to Compass to find information and all dates that help is needed. Simply tick the dates you are available and return the form by email to Berny at <u>Bernadette.king2@education.vic.gov.au</u>.

Reminders from the Office

Late Arrivals

If your child/ren arrive after 9:00am please make sure you come to the office to get a late pass. Parents are able to sign their children in using the Compass Kiosk. The late pass slip can then be taken to the teacher in the classroom. Any children who arrive after 9:00am and do not come to the office for a late pass will be marked as absent and a message will be sent home to parents notifying them that their child is not at school.

Early Collection

Should you need to pick your student up early from school on any day, please let the office staff know and they will pass the message on to the teacher - teachers are not always free to check or respond to messages during the day.

You will need to attend the office to sign out your student either on the Compass Kiosk or with the office staff, then you can collect your student from their classroom.

Recess is from 10.40am to 11.10am – we recommend you come prior to 10.35am Lunch is from 1.00pm to 1.50pm – we recommend you come prior to 12.55pm

If you need to collect your student between 3.10pm and 3.30pm, please come to the office before 3.10pm as the end of school days are particularly busy.

If you would like someone else to collect your child/ren, please ensure they are either listed as an emergency contact or you have let office staff know who they are. They will also need to bring ID.

Regular School Hours

1st Session: 9:00am - 10:40am

Recess: 10:40am - 11:10am

2nd Session: 11:10am - 1:00pm

Lunch: 1:00pm – 1:50pm

3rd Session: 1:50pm – 3:30pm

2023 Term Dates

Term 1 – Students in Grades 1 – 6 start Monday 30th January, Foundation students start Tuesday 31st January at 9.30am to Thursday 6th April.

Term 2 – Monday 24th April to Friday 23rd June.

Term 3 – Monday 10th July to Friday 15th September.

Term 4 – Monday 2nd October to Wednesday 20th December

Upcoming Excursion and Incursions

All upcoming excursions and incursions will appear as events on Compass and will require consent, and where required, payment to be completed by parents before the cut off date of the event. If consent and payment (as required) is not received by the cut off date it will no longer be accepted through Compass and may result in your child not being able to attend. Please find below a list of the upcoming events and cut off dates for consent and payment.

Event	Date	Cost	Cut off date
Grade 1 Yoga Incursion	Thurs, 27 April	\$6.00	Mon, 24 April
Grade 4 Scienceworks Excursion	Fri, 28 April	\$32.00	Mon, 24 April
Grade 3 Human Body Incursion	Wed, 3 May	\$15.00	Mon, 1 May

Absences

It is a Department requirement that all student absences are explained by a parent/carer. If your child is absent from school, please enter an attendance note on Compass or call the office and leave a message detailing your child's name, class and why they are absent.

The office will be contacting parents of students who have unexplained absences so that attendance notes can be entered onto Compass.

Primary Music Institute (PMI)



Drum Lesson at SNPS

Drum Lessons



At Seaford Nth Primary Starting Term 1, 2023!

Drum Lessons will be starting at Seaford North Primary School in Term1 - 2023, with Noel Tenny. Noel has been teaching for more than 25 years , and has performed both nationally & internationally. Past band include - Frankie J Holden, Bjorn Again, Pean, Captain Spalding. Noel is currently playing & touring with both "The Australian INXS show" , and the Bon Jovi Tribute "Blaze of Glory" . He also plays in wedding band, The Baker boys.

Drum lessons are one on one and held at a suitable time during school hours. Noel's aim is to get students playing along with as much music as possible (lots of songs!), as well as working on technique, various beats, and technical exercises.

Students will need a pair of drum sticks and a folder for music sheets to get started. Students progress much quicker if they have a drum kit or electronic drum kit to practice on, but is not essential to get started.

Year levels prep to 6, 20 min lessons =\$26 per lesson, half hour lessons = \$36 per lesson.

For expressions of interest & any other questions please contact Noel on 0419355041, or email tomtomtenny@gmail.com

Team Kids

SEAFORD NORTH TEAMKIDS NEWSLETTER

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

On 20/3/23 it was the International Day of Happiness. The children were encouraged to write down what makes them happy and what are they grateful for. We had some very sweet responses.

At TeamKids we try to get involved in the community and culture surrounding us. This time the kids created the Aboriginal flag by imprinting their handprints on paper. The activity allowed us to come together to make something meaningful.

The term is almost ending which means the school holidays are coming. We have prepared a great program during the holidays with many incursions and excursions.

Have a good easter and we hope to see you in our vacation care!



FRI 7TH ARPIL Good Friday | TeamKids is closed

MON 10TH APRIL Easter Monday | TeamKids is closed

TUE 11TH Vacation care starts | TK open 6:30am - 6:30pm **TEAMKIDS CLUBS** ASC WEEK: 10

MONDAY



Epic Games and Art Attack

WEDNESDAY

Culture and Sustainability

THURSDAY Epic Games and Adventure

FRIDAY

Good Friday



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Half day 9-12 noon

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\$60.00 per day



Kids of all levels and ages are welcome at our school holiday clinics.



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www.energytennis.com.au. Enrol - School holiday clinics



ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES, ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS AND NATIVE ANIMAL CARE

Includes interactions with dingoes, pythons, feeding animals, food prep and animal enrichment activities. Learn about our animals, their conservation and the environment For ages 7-14 years.

Autumn Holiday Program

 Week 1: Wednesday 12th, Thursday 13th, Friday 14th April

 Week 2: Monday 17th, Tuesday 18th, Wednesday 19th, Thursday 20th, Friday 21st April

 Cost: \$99.00 per day
 Small groups of 16
 9:00am start - 2:00pm finish

Special Needs Keeper Club

Special Needs Neeper Club Tuesday TIM April 10:00am start, 1:15pm finish. Cost 599 per day. Price includes one caregiver for each child. The Special Needs Keeper Club program provides an opportunity for children who love animals but are unable to attend our mainstream Keeper Club program due to specialised learning or physical needs, and who may require additional support from a parent, guardian or carer.

Moonlit Sanctuary Wildlife Park

Sof Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale | Phone 5978 7935 www.moonlitsanctuary.com.au Open daily between 10am and 4pm. Keeper Club runs from 9:00am-2:00pm.

