

NEWSLETTER



22nd November 2023

Term 4, Issue 15

Diary Dates – 2023

NOVEMBER

- 24 Gr 5/6 Interschool sports
- 27 Gr 3/4 Phillip Island Camp (Leaving)
- 29 Gr 3/4 Phillip Island Camp (Returning)

DECEMBER

- 8 Christmas Concert 2:30pm – 3:30pm
- 11 Gr 5/6 Lifesaving Program
- 13 Gr 6 Graduation
- 19 Last Day of Term 4 for students (Normal finish time 3:30pm)
- 20 Curriculum Day (No School)

2024

JANUARY

- 29 Curriculum Day (No School)
- 30 Term 1 commences for Gr 1 – 6 students
- 30 Foundation Meet the Teacher Interviews
- 31 Foundation students commence 9:30am

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.

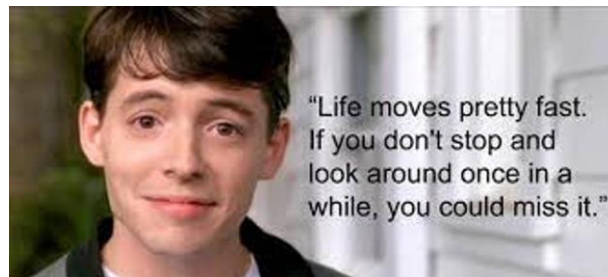


We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of country throughout Australia and their continuing connection to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to them and their Elders past, present and emerging.

Principal's Report

Dear parents and carers

It is hard to believe we only have under 5 weeks left until the end of the school year. As Ferris Bueller once famously said...



Where did this year go? I guess the old saying, 'Time flies when you're having fun,' holds true in our case. There's nothing better than having fun and learning at the same time.

The remaining few weeks are not slowing down; the teachers are in full report writing mode, staffing and grade structures are almost finalised for 2024 and these will be communicated in the next few weeks, excursions and incursions are happening weekly, Grade 5s are preparing leadership speeches for 2024 and our Grade 6 students are moving towards graduating primary school.

Illness - COVID

Unfortunately, we have seen an increase in reported COVID cases over the last few weeks.

If you have any of these symptoms, however mild, you are strongly recommended to seek advice and get tested. COVID-19 symptoms include: fever, chills or sweats, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, runny nose, loss or change in sense of smell and taste.



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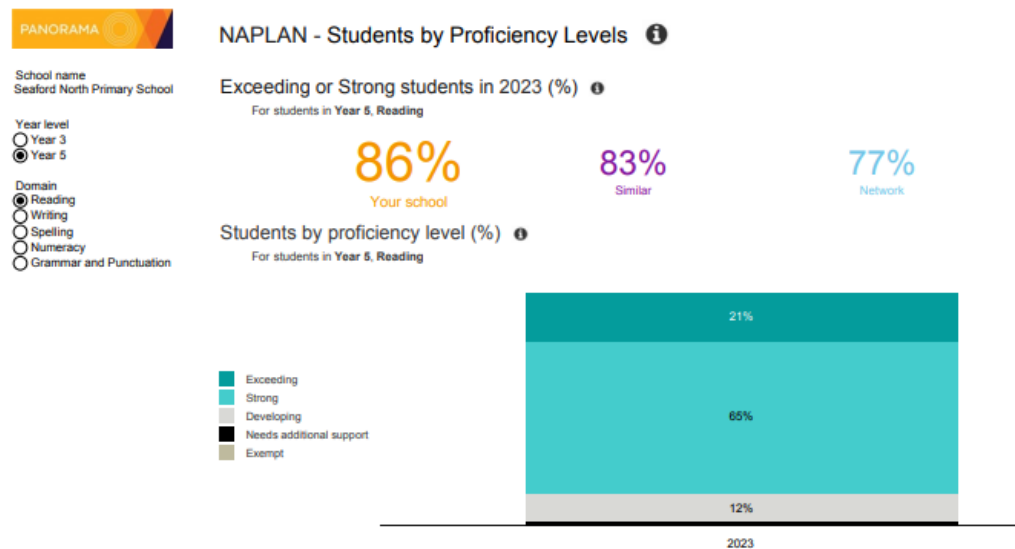
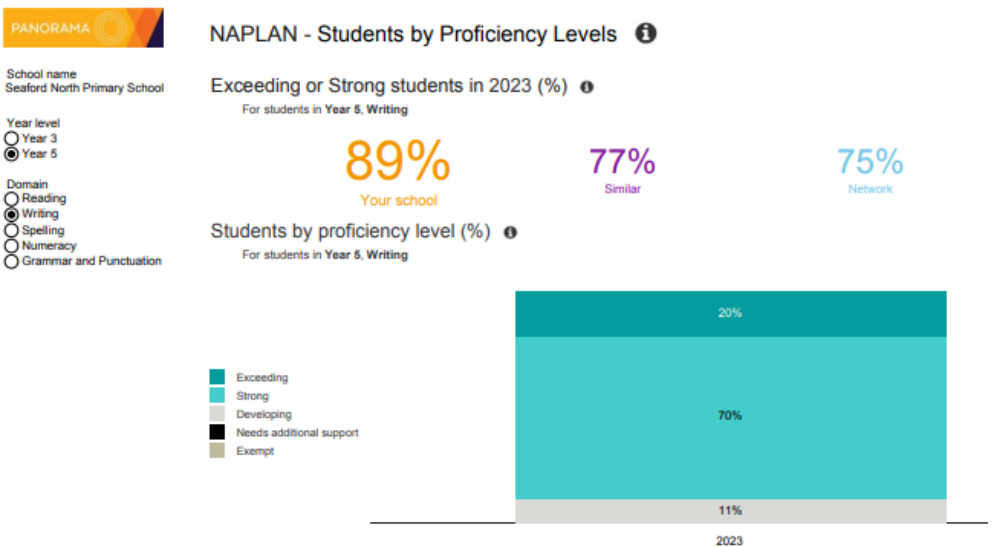
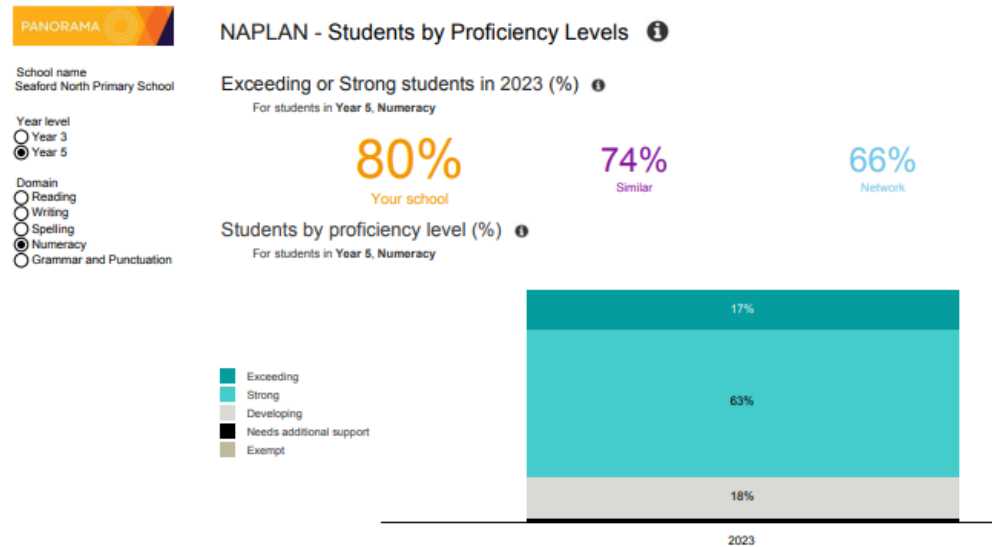
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Students and staff who test positive are recommended to isolate for a minimum of 5 days and not attend school until their symptoms have resolved. Students who isolate as a result of a positive COVID-19 test will have access to learning materials to support their continued learning.

Thank you for your support in keeping everyone healthy.

NAPLAN 2023

I would like to share with you and celebrate some of our 2023 outstanding NAPLAN results as compared with similar schools and our network schools.





School name
Seaford North Primary School

Year level
☒ Year 3
☐ Year 5

Domain
☐ Reading
☐ Writing
☐ Spelling
☒ Numeracy
☐ Grammar and Punctuation

NAPLAN - Students by Proficiency Levels ⓘ

Exceeding or Strong students in 2023 (%) ⓘ

For students in Year 3, Numeracy

71%

Your school

74%

Similar

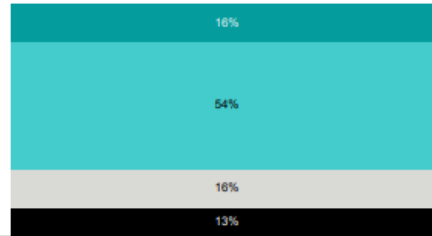
65%

Network

Students by proficiency level (%) ⓘ

For students in Year 3, Numeracy

Exceeding
Strong
Developing
Needs additional support
Exempt



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NAPLAN - Students by Proficiency Levels ⓘ

Exceeding or Strong students in 2023 (%) ⓘ

For students in Year 3, Writing

87%

Your school

86%

Similar

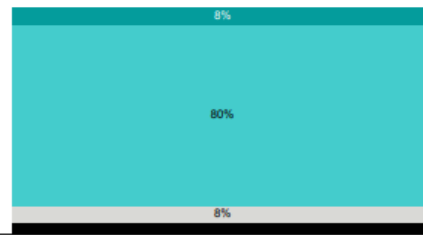
72%

Network

Students by proficiency level (%) ⓘ

For students in Year 3, Writing

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NAPLAN - Students by Proficiency Levels ⓘ

Exceeding or Strong students in 2023 (%) ⓘ

For students in Year 3, Reading

74%

Your school

77%

Similar

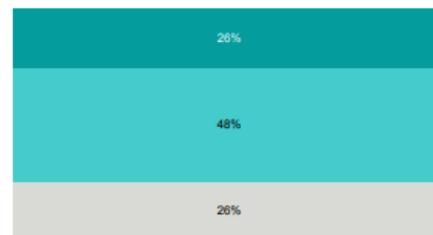
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2023

Lee Murnane
Principal

New Soccer Goals

The students were pleasantly surprised to walk out at recess time on Tuesday and find brand new soccer goals had been installed on the top court. This equipment is a fabulous addition to our school yard. The goals have quickly become a crowd favourite and it has been lovely to see children from all year levels coming together to play games such as soccer and European handball. When one grade 4 student was asked what he thought of the goals his response was "Really good actually, very exciting" and we think that sums it up perfectly! Happy playing everyone.



Students vs Teachers - Dodgeball

On Thursday November 9th, the second round of Students vs Teachers sport was held at lunchtime. This initiative by our Sport House Captains is one we continue to enjoy. A big highlight of the games is the sense of community and excitement they bring as students from all grades come to support. This time, the game played was Dodgeball. Twenty grade 6s and a bunch of teachers went head-to-head in a fast-paced dodging and throwing game. It was a close match, but in the end, the teachers came out on top. We look forward to the next event with anticipation and know that the students will be coming back hard!



Gotcha and House Awards



Students of the Week



Remembrance Day and Drum Performances at Assembly



SNPS Christmas Concert



Seaford North Primary School
2023 Christmas Concert
Friday 8th December
2.30pm-3.30pm



Location: The performance (weather permitting) will be outside on the wooden stage.

Seating: Please bring your own seating, picnic rugs, chairs etc. Only picnic blankets/rugs are allowed directly in front of the stage (so people behind can see).

What students wear: To coincide with the Christmas Concert, the JSC will be hosting a Christmas themed dress up day. Students come to school dressed in Christmas clothing.

News from the Parents & Friends of SNPS

SNPS Fete Update



A fete donation calendar has been sent home with students. On each of the days, students can come to school in casual clothes and bring along the corresponding donation.

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 enter and 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.

Reminders from the Office

Intention to leave SNPS at the end of the year

Please contact the office as soon as possible if you are intending to leave the school at the end of the year.

2024 Student Booklists - Live website now available!

Student Booklist are now available to order for 2024. Please see Compass for information relating to the ordering, supply and payment of 2024 Student Booklist items.

NAPLAN Results

Any NAPLAN results that have not yet been collected from the office will be sent home this week via mail.

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 child up early from school, 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 child, either on the Compass Kiosk or with the office staff, then you can collect your child from their classroom.

Recess is from 10:40am to 11:10am – we recommend you come prior to 10:30am

Lunch is from 1:00pm to 1:50pm – we recommend you come prior to 12:50pm or after 2pm

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.

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.

Regular School Hours	2023 Term Dates
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	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

2024 Term Dates
Term 1 – Tuesday 30th January to Friday 28th March Students in Grades 1 – 6 start Tuesday 30th January, Foundation students start Wednesday 31st January at 9:30am, then begin regular time (9:00am) from Thursday 1st February. <i>Foundation students do not attend school on Wednesdays for the month of February.</i> Term 2 – Monday 15th April to Friday 28th June Term 3 – Monday 15th July to Friday 20th September Term 4 – Monday 7th October to Wednesday 20th December

School term dates for 2026

There have been changes to Victorian school term dates for 2026. Following the announcement that the 2026 Commonwealth Games in Victoria will not proceed, the original 2026 school term dates have been reinstated.

The 2026 Victorian school term dates are:

- Term 1: Tuesday 27 January to Thursday 2 April 2026
- Term 2: Monday 20 April to Friday 26 June 2026
- Term 3: Monday 13 July to Friday 18 September 2026
- Term 4: Monday 5 October to Friday 18 December 2026.

For the list of school term dates until the end of 2030, refer to [School term dates and holidays in Victoria](#).

Upcoming Excursions 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 5/6 Interschool Sports vs St Louis	Nov 24	\$8.00	Thurs 23 Nov
Grade 3/4 Phillip Island Camp	Nov 27 – Nov 29	\$250	Mon 20 Nov
Grade 5/6 Lifesaving Program	Dec 11	\$7.00	Mon 27 Nov

Primary Music Institute (PMI)



Instrumental Music Lessons - on school campus
Places available for Term 4, 2023



Small Group & Private Lessons

- Primary Music Institute offer instrumental music lessons right here on school campus!
- To find out all about the music lessons please visit PMI's website. You can check which instruments are available, get up to date program details and apply for lessons online
- Please **ENROL TODAY** via PMI's website
- Lessons are held once per week on campus – with lessons typically during school hours
- Only \$20.50 per child per small group lesson (2-5 students for 30 minutes)
- Private lessons (1-on-1) and pair lessons (max 2 students) are also available
- Online lessons (after hours) are also available direct to your home – contact us to find out more
- Instrumental music can improve your child's school results – including for reading, maths, coordination, IQ, abstract reasoning, performance confidence... and is great fun!

P: 1300 362 824 E: admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au

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

Summer of Fun!

YOU'RE
INVITED!

Team
Kids

4TH OCTOBER

WORLD
SPACE
WEEK



17TH OCTOBER

Pasta Day
@COOKING CLUB



25TH OCTOBER

**SPOOKTACULAR
PARTY**

DRESS UP | PARTY FOOD | FUN



31ST OCTOBER

13TH NOVEMBER

World
Kindness
Day



UNIVERSAL
**CHILDREN'S
DAY**

20TH NOVEMBER



24TH NOVEMBER

**Fairy
Bread
Day**



1ST DECEMBER

Feels Like
**SUMMER
PARTY**



LAST WEEK OF TERM

Time to
CELEBRATE



DON'T MISS OUT!

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Back to School 2024 Retail Shopping Solutions

Friday October 27, 2023

Dear Customer,

We are currently planning for the upcoming 2024 back to school period. Our priority will continue to remain around care and service as we offer our customers different options around shopping for their uniform requirements.

We again take this opportunity to remind our parents and students to shop early to avoid the queues. Our online facility coupled with the **Click & Collect** option and the ability to book fitting times through our **Retail Booking Service** gives flexibility and convenience to all. This service has been a huge success over the past two years and considerably reduced the waiting times for our customers.

We are encouraging the use of our online shopping services wherever possible and look forward to your support in relaying this message to your communities.

Kind Regards,

Andrew Suffell
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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS TRADING HOURS

HEAD OFFICE

CLOSING: 20 DECEMBER 2023
REOPENING: 3 JANUARY 2024

RETAIL

CLOSING: 21 DECEMBER 2023
REOPENING: 3 JANUARY 2024

TO AVOID THE JANUARY BACK TO SCHOOL QUEUES SHOP NOW

Let's keep reading!

Frankston City Libraries is offering children aged 0-18 the chance to win fabulous prizes over summer with the BIG SUMMER READ. Here's what you need to know:

- The Big Summer Read runs from 1 December until 31 January
- You can win vouchers, tickets and more to some of Frankston City's most exciting attractions, just by reading 10 books or more over summer
- Drop into your closest Frankston City Libraries branch for a Big Summer Read scavenger hunt
- Win awesome book packs for each age group

Collect your reading log from your closest Frankston City Libraries branch from 1 December or register now using the Beanstack App.

Find out more here: <https://library.frankston.vic.gov.au/Community-Connection/News-and-Updates/News/Big-Summer-Read>

