SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT:

Seaford Primary School is a friendly, caring community school that aims to achieve excellence, nurture individuality, challenge and understand every child, in an environment that provides fairness and balance.

DIARY DATES

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK 16TH March, 2017

KEEPING SAFE IN CYBERSPACEx

Raising children has always been challenging, however in the world in which we live, with the advances in technology and our desire to keep connected socially, the challenges continue to mount. The principals of our local network of schools- Patterson River Secondary College and the 7 primary schools that feed students to them- have joined together with the City of Kingston Youth Services to provide a series of workshops for parents to help in providing information which is relevant to them in their responsibility to raise their children.

Late last year we had the first of these which was a program presented by Andrew Russell who spoke about the importance of a healthy life style and the making of good choices so that “we can be the best that we can be”. This was well received by the many parents who attended from across the network.

Our second event is on Thursday March 30th in the Performing Arts Centre at Patterson River Secondary College commencing at 7pm. The presenter is Susan McLean, an expert in the field of Cybersafety. I highly recommend that all parents attend, as cyberspace is one of the areas that our young people can be the most vulnerable. For parents to have the opportunity to listen to Susan and to develop a better understanding of the environment that most of our children are either already accessing, or will be in the near future, will put you in a much better position to support and protect your child.

This is a free event for parents with the cost being shared by the participating schools. Tickets are only available on-line, To book your tickets please see the flier attached to the newsletter and go to the site. Enter the code SEAPS as each school has been allocated a specific number of seats, so it is important that your booking is held against Seaford Primary’s entitlement. If you do not have internet access and would like to book a ticket, please come to the school so that you can use a school computer to book your tickets.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SCHOOL COUNCIL

I would like to extend a welcome to all members of our community to our Annual General Meeting. The AGM of the Seaford Primary School Council will be held on Thursday March 23rd at 6 pm in the staff room. At this meeting the 2016 Annual Report will be tabled and presented. There will be the opportunity for questions at the end of the presentation. Following the AGM the newly elected school council will meet. At this meeting all office bearer positions will be filled. I will advise the school community of the structure of the school council in the newsletter in the last week of term 1.

At the close of the designated period for additional nominations to school council, we received one nomination for the one vacancy. I am pleased to advise that Michelle Cozis is duly elected to school council.

Regards
Michael
CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN’S ACHIEVEMENTS

Bailey shared his swimming awards with us at assembly last Friday. Well done Bailey!!!!

EASTER RAFFLE DONATIONS

This year is flying by and guess what? IT’S NEARLY EASTER!!!!

which means that it’s nearly time for the Annual Seaford Easter Raffle – a much-anticipated event in the school calendar. Tickets for this bonanza will be sent home with your child, but before the tickets can be drawn we need your help.

To make this fundraising event the fabulous success that it is, we ask that each child donate an Easter item to help with our Raffle. Chocolate is often what we think of at Easter, but all donations are welcome edible and non-edible. Please leave all donations at the office. (Mrs Cooper promises not to eat them!)

Good luck Everyone!!!!
Everyone Belongs

To celebrate the diversity of cultures in Australia and our school, all students will be participating in multi-aged activity rotations on

Tuesday 21st March.

Students are asked to come to school dressed in an outfit or costume which represents their family’s culture. If you do not have a costume you are asked to come dressed in orange, which is the colour of HARMONY.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

BY MICHAEL WOOLEY,
School Community Liaison Officer

Compliments and Introductions

Over the past few weeks in my welfare classes, we have been discussing compliments and practicing giving them to one another. Hopefully your child has been coming home and complimenting you on something that you do for him or her. This is part of bigger discussions about getting used to acknowledging what others do for us and helping to boost another’s happiness through our actions and words – being Proactive and Synergising.

The Preps also practiced introductions and role played introducing their parents to their class teacher leading up to the school picnic last fortnight. This was something that all of the year levels did well on the night of the picnic.

Introductions are an important part of displaying good manners and the more role play and actual practice that your child gets in the primary school years, the more confident and social they will be as they progress through life. Basic manners learnt now go hand in hand with respect and being respected, both now and in later years.

Having your child introduce you to their friends or the children who come over for play dates is a good way to begin this habit with your child, which will become normal behavior to them before long.

This is a small step towards a self confident and well mannered child / adolescent.

Ride / walk 2school day whole school breakfast - Friday 24th March

Next week we will be holding a whole school breakfast on Friday 24th March from 8.15am. This will be our Walk / Ride2school day. This is a day when children are encouraged to ride, scooter or walk to school or part of the way. Any parents who are free to help cook toast and assist on this morning, please let Erica or Michael W know.

CANTEEN

There have been a few small changes to the canteen menu that you may have noticed:

Due to the unavailability of licorice through our canteen supplier this year, we have now introduced yoghurt sticks and yoghurt frogs, 20 cents.

I remind you that these are ‘sometimes’ foods even though they are made of yoghurt.

Also, the fruit and jelly cups are now replaced with jelly cups, $1.20.

We are also trialling a salt and vinegar popcorn, for the same price as the usual buttered popcorn, 80 cents.
HOT CROSS BUNS

TRADITIONAL
CHOC CHIP
APPLE AND CINNAMON
FRUITLESS

A reminder that the orders for Hot Cross Buns are due no later than the 24th of March. They will be ready for pick up at the school on the 30th March.

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Located outside the main office in the hallway.

- Leawarra Calisthenics Club—44 Peninsula Blvd Seaford.
- Positive Parenting Telephone Service
- Pines Junior Football Club—Registration
- Bonbeach YCW Junior Football Club

Open Night
Thursday 23rd March - 7pm

EXCEL Academic
Thursday 27th April 9am - 2.30pm
www.surveymonkey.com/r/excelacademic

EXCEL Sport Testing
Thursday 4th May 9am - 2.30pm
www.surveymonkey.com/r/excelsport

School Tours
Every Thursday 9.45am

70-98 Eel Race Road Seaford Vic 3198
P (03) 8770 6700
E patterson.river.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au
facebook.com/pattersonriversonc
prsc.vic.edu.au
ELYSIUM OSHC

HOLIDAY PROGRAM – SEAFORD PRIMARY OSHC
April 3rd – April 14th

Would you like your children to do something fun and exciting during the holidays but don’t have the time to spare on activities during the workday? Why not send your kids to our Holiday Program. Your children will enjoy Incursions, Excursions and Service Based programs that are fun and interactive.

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Today we will head to AMF Bowling in Frankston for a friendly game of bowling. If the weather is good, we will also be going to Ballam Park.

By today, we will be close to the middle of Autumn and the children will be able to recognise what is happening to our environment through the activities we do.

Exploring the wonders of life is exciting. Today we will be doing that with the use of our new chicken friends. Hopefully they will have hatched in time.

Inflatable World inflatable world is the latest new attraction for children. Today we will spend some time at the Oakleigh venue.

We will learn about the life of creepy crawlies. They live all around us but how much do we really know. Today will look into these creatures.

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Today children will design and create their own mask. Will they choose something beautiful or become a superhero?

Today we will watch the Lego Batman Movie (PG) at HOYTS Frankston.

Children will get creative with the history of knights and great battles. Taking a look at what it might have been like to live in that era.

Exploring the culture of another country is very exciting. Today we will transform the room into a festival of flavours and colours.

Due to Good Friday being a Public Holiday, we will not be offering a service this day.

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**Please make sure you have filled out a 2015/2017 enrolment form, as well as the booking form and submit them to the program manager or school’s front office on or before Monday 27th of March to secure your booking.**
Keeping safe in cyberspace:
An informative session for Parents and Carers

7pm - 9pm Thursday 30th March 2017
Performing Arts Centre
PATTERSON RIVER SECONDARY COLLEGE
70-98 Eel Race Rd, Seaford VIC 3198

Susan Mclean is Australia's foremost expert in the area of Cybersafety and young people. She is a mother of three and was the first Victorian Police Officer appointed to a position involving Cybersafety and young people.

She took her first report of cyberbullying in 1994 and since then she has conducted extensive research and has completed advanced training in this area in both the USA and UK and is a sought after presenter and advisor to Schools, elite sporting bodies such as the AFL, GP's, and both State and Federal Governments.

She is a member of the National Centre Against Bullying (NCAB)Cybersafety Committee and is afforded ‘expert’ status on the Safer Internet Programme Data Base. She is also a member of the Australian Government’s Cybersafety working group and a published author. Her book 'Sext's Texts & Selfies', is the definitive parents' guide to helping children stay safe online.

Susan will present an informative and enlightening session on understanding popular current social networking sites. Inform you about where children and young people go online, sexting, and recognising online grooming. Susan will further discuss misuse of technology and its legal consequences and provide parents and carers with the confidence in setting rules and boundaries when it comes to online use.

To register for this FREE Event head to:

For more information about this event please contact the Kingston Youth & Family team on 1300 369 436

For more information visit Cybersafety Solutions at: www.cybersafetysolutions.com.au

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