FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK 8th December, 2016

Good-Bye Mrs Arvidson

After many years of teaching and service to education, Mrs Arvidson has decided to retire at the end of the year. Whilst I am sure that this is an exciting time for her with plans for lots of new adventures in retirement, it is a sad day for us. Mrs Arvidson has been teaching at Seaford Primary School since 1991 and has spent that time in the prep grades and in grades one and two. Not only has she had a great influence over the day to day learning of the students in her care, having made a significant difference to hundreds of children, she has also taken on many roles across the school including the responsibilities of co-ordinating the additional assistance program in reading, the whole school professional development program for staff, co-ordination of the English curriculum program and being the leader of the Early Years Team for many years. She has been a mentor to younger teachers and a great support of the school generally. Her contribution to this school cannot be underestimated.

I am sure that you would join me in congratulating Mrs Arvidson on an outstanding career and wish her well in her retirement.

On the last day of term, your child will be introduced to their teacher for 2017. Earlier this week, we had step –up day where each child moved to the area of the school where they will be for next year, but not necessarily with the same group of children nor with the teacher they might have next year. We are still working on our class lists for next year, making sure that we group the children in the most effective way and matching children to children and children to teachers. What I can tell you is that now we have our staff structure in place which will look like this:

Preps: Ms Deanne Round

Year 1/2D: Mrs Kerry Douglas

Year 1/2W: Mrs Charlotte Wilders

Year 3/4F: Mrs Suzie Baldwin (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday)
Ms Michele Thompson (Wednesday)

Year 3/4H: Mr Martin Hayes

Year 5/6N: Mr David North

Year 5/6S: Mrs Sharyn Stewart (Monday to Thursday); Mr Peter Lucas (Friday)

Phys Ed: Mr Peter Lucas, (Tuesday – Thursday)

The Arts: Ms Kerri Giles (Tuesday and Wednesday)

Language Unit: Ms Claire Dyer (Monday – Thursday); Mrs Robyn Reardon (Friday)

Indonesian – Ms Wayan Felberg (Monday to Wednesday)
Education Support Staff: Mrs Bri Hackwell; Mrs Jo Carlson, Mrs Jo Broomhall, Mrs Helen Day; Mrs Jane Lilley; Mrs Sue Fleming; Mrs Michelle Herat; Mrs Amelia Robinson; Mrs Sue Dickson; Mrs Kelly Abbott; Ms Eliza Tatham; Mrs Erin Wallis, Ms Kathleen Dodd; Mrs Louise Puschner

Office Manager: Mrs Erica Cooper
Primary Welfare Officer: Mr Michael Woolsey
Speech Pathologist: Mrs Julia Murphy (Tuesday and Thursday morning)
Assistant Principal: Mrs Robyn Reardon
Principal: Mr Michael Browne

Looking for 100%

Next Tuesday, December 13th is our Christmas Carol singing as part of the Twilight Market. The singing is due to start at 6 pm and should go for about 40 minutes. It would be absolutely terrific if we could have all of our children in attendance. At the end of their item they will be provided with an icy pole to enjoy whilst they watch the other classes perform. A note was sent home yesterday informing parents that children attending the Twilight Market are their responsibility and will not be supervised by the teachers. Teachers will provide supervision whilst children are performing at the concert, however it is expected that a parent/carer will be with the children when they are part of the audience.
CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN’S ACHIEVEMENTS

Dexter, Renee, Lachlan, Jack, Sienna, Zak, Hamish, Tor, Dallas, Tyrone, Bayley, Joshua and Holly received their 7 Habits Awards at assembly.

Harvey and Heidi accepted the Golden Gnome Art Award on behalf of 5/6 Maths.

TWILIGHT MAKET UPDATE

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
1st Prize—Spit Roast/BBQ
2nd Prize—Mountain Bike
3rd Prize—Hamper
Ticket $2 each or 3 for $5
Raffle Tickets are coming home with the newsletter today or can be purchased on the day.

JUMPING CASTLE

Pre purchased wrist bands will be available for unlimited jumps on the jumping castle at the market.
$5.00 each

COMMUNITY NEWS

Displayed on the Noticeboard in the corridor outside the Office.

- Seaford Girl Guides
- 1st Seaford Scout Group—Joey Scouts are looking for new members.
- YCW Netball club
- Pine Junior Football Club Registration Night Thursday 15th December. Eric Bell Reserve 6 p.m.—8 p.m.
Dear Parents,

On **Tuesday, 13th December** the children in Year 1/2 A will be holding a **cake stall** as part of our school’s ‘Kids Carnival’. We would appreciate your help in providing some small, individual cakes, toffees, chocolate crackles, or similar goodies to sell on the day. The children would really enjoy helping to make these cakes at home with you, if possible. Please bring your kind donation to the ELC kitchen on Tuesday morning. Your support will be greatly appreciated!

Regards,

Ruth Arvidson, Sue Weigall and the children in 1/2A.

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**WANTED: FOR KIDS CARNIVAL**

1 or more bottles of 1.25 ltr softdrink of any flavour for our Softdrink Quoit Toss.

Donations gratefully accepted. Please deliver to Bri in the Senior Learning Centre by Monday 12th.

Thank you.

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**Library News**

Hi everyone again,

Please return all books back to the library for a successful stocktake to ensure our collection is in good order. This is the most important procedure as part of maintaining our school library of valuable books, for everyone’s enjoyment. Thank you very much for your assistance from Louise Puschner library technician.
The 2017 Summer Program is here!!!

This program is going to be another big one. We have been working with the children for the past few months to create this program. Our holiday program offers something for everyone. The program caters for those that need care for their child as well as providing the children with something extra to do on their holidays. Your children will enjoy Excursions and Service Based programs that are fun and engaging.

What you need to remember:
- As this program is run in Summer, the children need to have a hat, water bottle and appropriate footwear on all days.
- Children need to come to the program with a snack and packed lunch. Afternoon tea is provided by the program and will consist of a fruit platter and snack.
- Bookings and payments must be made on or before the due dates. Failure to meet these payment dates will affect the availability of places in the program for your child.
- Permission Forms need to be signed on the morning of an excursion, so allow enough time to complete the forms.
- Children need to be at the school by 8:45am on all excursion days.

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<td>Today we will head to HOYTS in Frankston to see Moana (PG).</td>
<td>Get ready, set, go! Today we will utilise the free space at the school and ride the billy carts and bicycles. I encourage everyone to bring their own bike today with a helmet so that we can get the most out of the activities.</td>
<td>Some of the fondest memories of a child are those they get from fairy tales and nursery rhymes. Today we will be looking at the many stories we have grown to love. Some strong morals will be gained from today’s activities.</td>
<td>One event I look forward to every year. Today we are off to the Melbourne Zoo. I bet the kids can’t wait to see all the exciting animals.</td>
<td>Where’s Wally? That’s a good question. Today we will answer that as we solve some mysteries around the school.</td>
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Please make sure you have filled out a 2015 enrolment form as well as the booking form and submit them to the program manager or school’s front office before Tuesday 13th of December.
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<td><strong>Cooking Day</strong>&lt;br&gt;All the children love to cook when they are in the program. Today we will be creating some summer meals for everyone to enjoy.</td>
<td><strong>Frankston PARC</strong>&lt;br&gt;As this period of the year is extremely hot, we have scheduled a day at Frankston PARC pools. This activity is limited to 12 children so first in best dressed.</td>
<td><strong>Crafty Kids Day</strong>&lt;br&gt;We have so many creative children in the program so today we will create some amazing art.</td>
<td><strong>Science Day</strong>&lt;br&gt;Mad scientist or medical engineer. Which one are you? Today’s activities will be filled with many experiments that the children will be amazed by.</td>
<td><strong>Inflatable World</strong>&lt;br&gt;Inflatable World is the latest new attraction for children. Today we will spend some time at the Oakleigh venue.</td>
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<td><strong>Musical Instruments</strong>&lt;br&gt;Today the children will make use of their good recycling knowledge to make musical instruments.</td>
<td><strong>Summer Day</strong>&lt;br&gt;The children will engage in summer activities such as craft and a walk to the beach.</td>
<td><strong>Strike Bowling</strong>&lt;br&gt;Today we will engage in some friendly competition as we go bowling at Strike in Frankston.</td>
<td><strong>Pamper Day</strong>&lt;br&gt;Get ready for facemasks, nail polishing and pure relaxation. Pamper day is back!</td>
<td><strong>Monster Trucks</strong>&lt;br&gt;Today we will head to HOYTS in Frankston to see Monster Trucks (PG).</td>
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<td><strong>Papier Mache</strong>&lt;br&gt;The children will be able to get messy with papier mache as we create some wonderful pieces of art.</td>
<td><strong>Ultimate Family Fun Centre</strong>&lt;br&gt;A safe and fun environment for children to play! Ultimate is an exciting indoor playground for kids of all ages. Today we will journey there for some fun.</td>
<td><strong>Mythology Day</strong>&lt;br&gt;Today we will be looking at some of the myths and legends of the world. Mythologies such as Atlantean, Greek, Roman and Egyptian will all be a part of our activities throughout the day.</td>
<td><strong>Australia Day Public Holiday</strong></td>
<td><strong>Shopping Day</strong>&lt;br&gt;The children at Seaford have been asking us to have another shop day at the holiday program, so today we will do just that. We are going to show the children how to run a successful business just like the OZHC program.</td>
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