TERM 1 WEEK 7

FROM THE PRINCIPALS

Well! What a week the Principals have had. With Rebekkah down sick and Annette out for a few days for personal reasons we have had Mr Howard Frost step in to help keep things running smoothly at Seaforth SS. This week things should improve, however Mr Frost will be around for a few days to help catch up on paperwork etc., that must be filed and actioned on. Thanks heaps. If you see him around the place, stop and say hello.

Mark Svendsen’s Writing Workshop

This week we are sending 5 students to Calen to participate in a writing workshop from year 5/6 and the following week we will send another 5 students to a year 3/4 program at Hampden SS. These writing workshops are aimed at encouraging our students to broaden their ideas and creativity through looking at what a great writer does when creating children’s stories and poetry. This opportunity has been provided to the students for free and I truly hope they are able to come away from the event with eyes opened wide and creative juices flowing.

Leaders Induction – Jason Costigan Member for Whitsunday presenting.

Next Monday we will be holding our schools badge presentation ceremony for those students who have taken on leadership positions in the school. We welcome all parents to this parade at 8:30am. Jason Costigan MP will be present to present these badges on the day to students.

Shave for a Cure

1. This Friday students are welcome to come with Crazy Hair to once again support Ava White in her bid to raise $2000 towards the Shave for a Cure fundraiser. Please send along a gold coin in support of this very worthy cause. Ava will then be cutting her hair the following week on parade as this will be donated to wig makers to be used to create new hair styles for cancer patients.
GET WELL MISS POLLARD
Highlighting the caring nature of Seaforth State School community, the P&C have organised a large Get Well card to be signed by all students and sent to Rebekkah, along with a beautiful bouquet of flowers. These will undoubtedly brighten her spirits and speed her recovery.

CURRICULUM
This week’s focus is on how to support your child’s sentence structure in writing at home. This resource offers you some simple strategies you may find helpful when going over homework, or having your children write at home.

STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME
Please assist us with this ASAP. This payment is due by March 27th.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Have a great week!
Regards, Rebekkah & Annette

INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

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<td>Kai McLoughlin</td>
<td>Always putting in 100% effort with every task.</td>
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<td>Ezeckiel Moodie</td>
<td>Being on fire with his work on Friday.</td>
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<td>2/3</td>
<td>Hank Wright</td>
<td>Great learning and focus on work.</td>
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<td>Kane Gillies</td>
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<td>Aaron Samuelsen</td>
<td>Enthusiasm and consistent learning across all subjects.</td>
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<td>YCDI</td>
<td>Lainee Francis</td>
<td>For organisation.</td>
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Green Ticket
Amity Jackson, Hunter Downie.

INSERTS
- Cow Art
- How To Improve Your Child’s Creative Writing Skills
- World’s Greatest Shave
- YCDI- Persistence

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE TOURS
A Swag of Tales is being held on Wednesday the 18th/3 at 9am. Cost is $6/student, $15/family. All students are encouraged to attend. Please return the money to the office.

A Swag of Tales leads the children through a zany yet informative history lesson that starts in England with a convict court case and covers the voyage to Australia, early Settlement, the Gold Rush, the Bushrangers, Squatters and the age of the Swagman.

To help convey to students the concept of time and history, a time line is drawn using 25 year intervals, that goes back eleven generations to the first fleet. Using toys, period costumes (some of which are worn by your students), stories and music, students get an idea of what life was like during those first one hundred and fifty years of European settlement in Australia.

The whole show comes alive with great costuming, props and a simple yet effective set. There is loads of audience participation as students are involved in everything from hold ups to dressing up in costumes of the day; and when ‘Waltzing Matilda’ is sung by a sheep and from the sheep’s point of view, the result is hilarious. It’s no fun being stuffed into a tucker bag!

What Organisation looks like in our year 1/2 classroom:
Organisation in our classroom looks like everyone working quietly together. Everyone working to the best of their ability and being good listeners.
By Mackenzie Neilsen

What does organisation look like in our year 3/4 classroom:
Our class has tidy desks every day and magnificent book work. We have a ruler, rubber and 2 sharp pencils ready to go each morning. The floor in our class room must be neat and tidy at all times.

We make time tables and lists to remember what we need to do. We make sure our homework is done
What organisation looks like in our 5/6 classroom
In 5/6 we try hard to be organised so that we can use our learning time efficiently. So before school we go to the toilet and have a drink so that we don’t need to do this during lesson time. In class we have a timetable on the board which helps us prepare for the day and be organised for the next lesson. Our teachers are organised so that lessons can run smoothly and we know what to do. Some things are labelled in our classroom like our “Daily Five’ book boxes so we can quickly find which one is ours. We try and keep our desks tidy and organised so that we can find what we need.

BUS NEWS
From time to time circumstances may dictate that a change to your child’s usual bus routine is necessary. This could mean you would like them to get off at a different stop, or even that they will need to catch the other bus.

To enhance communication in this regard between the home, school and bus operators, please notify both the school (49590133) and the Bus drivers (Graham- 0437 788 674, Robyn- 0437 788 375, Kay Jackson- 0417 196 672) if there is to be any change to your child’s bus routine.

Thank you for your assistance in this regard.

GUITAR LESSONS
Guitar Lessons start this Thursday.
Notes were sent home last week with the groups and times.

SHAVE FOR A CURE
Zooper Dooper’s (iceblocks) will be for sale every Wednesday 2nd break. The cost is 50c each. This is to support Ava Wright’s shave for a cure campaign.

P & CNOTICES
CHOCOLATE DRIVE FUNDRAISER
Chocolates went home with students last week. All monies, boxes and any unsold chocolates are to be returned by Wednesday the 25th of March to the office. If you are having problems selling them feel free to drop them to the office as other families then have the opportunity to sell them.

DONATIONS PLEASE
The P&C are in need of eskies for fundraising events eg Mega Market BBQ’s and the annual dance at the end of the year.
So if you have an esky sitting there gathering dust or maybe yours just isn’t big enough to fit that big Spanish Mackerel you are chasing, the P&C could certainly put it to good use.

TUCKSHOP
Parents please note: Tuckshop is changing the money policy.
If the change from your child/ren’s tuckshop is greater than $5, a credit will be added to your child/ren’s name rather than attached to the tuckshop bag.
Ideally the correct monies owing is preferable.

UNIFORM SHOP
Open Monday and Wednesday 8:00am – 9:00am

UNIFORM PRICES
Jumpers $20.00 (Sz 6-16)
Shirts - $25.00
Skorts - $14.00 (Sz 4-8)
Hats - $15.00
Homework folder - $12.00
Heavy duty chair bag - $11.00
Pencil case - $6.00

BUFFSTARS COFFEE
A mobile coffee café will be at school from 7:45am every Monday morning. Find us in the grass field behind Mrs William’s classroom.

TAI CHI
Held at the Kindy every Friday morning from 9am-10am. $5 for the session.

FOR SALE
2003 Honda XR80. Runs well, great kids bike in good condition. $1000 ono
Ph 0420 909 068 or see Denyelle in the office.

PLAYGROUP
Expressions of interest.
Plans are underway to recommence PLAYGROUP for Seaforth and surrounding districts. At this stage we are canvassing approximate numbers of children/families’ who would attend Playgroup.
Day, time, cost etc will be finalised once interest levels are determined.
Please contact Kym Neven to register your interest by Sunday, 15th March, 2015 on 0457 817 767, 4966 4123 or email k.neven@bigpond.com