TERM 3 WEEK 6

It is hard to believe that we are at half term already. I want to congratulate our Prep class on their awesome attendance to date. They have blown all the other classes away with their attendance rate of 96.3% - WOW this is certainly a great achievement and one that will be rewarded. Well done to all of our prep students and to Mrs Francis, Miss Noli and Miss Lara for your exceptional work.

A huge thank you to our awesome Miss Lara for nominating our school for a buddy bench through our local radio station SEA FM. We were successful in our application and thank you to all of our parents who have supported this wonderful idea.

I would like to thank Mrs Watson for her awesome work with our 5/6 class and ensuring that my start on the class was as stress free as possible. Mrs Watson will not be leaving our school – she will continue supporting our Students with Disabilities and Learning support. Mrs Chappell will resume on the 5/6 class this week working Wednesday – Friday.

I would like to thank Mr and Mrs Frost who gave up their time on the weekend to help clean out the store room. Our swimming program is now complete for term 3 and I want to thank all staff who travelled with our students enabling them to meet swimming curriculum requirements.

All students and staff are aware of the work progressing on the oval, this is a reminder to keep away from this area.

SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY

School opinion surveys were sent home to parents last month. (Not everyone gets chosen, One School generates the list of names) To date, we have only had 10 parents complete this. The suite of School Opinion Surveys are undertaken each year to give parents/caregivers, students and staff in state schools an opportunity to have their say about what their school does well, and how their school can improve. Responses are confidential. Please follow this link to access the opinion survey. You will need the code and password that was sent home with your student.

http://education.qld.gov.au/schoolopinionsurvey/ The survey has been extended to 28/08.
ROAD SAFETY WEEK
This week (17th to the 21st) of August is Queensland Road Safety Week. It’s an opportunity for all Queenslanders to be directly involved in making our roads safer for everyone. Each day of the week will focus on a different road safety behaviour kicking off with ‘distractions’ on Monday, ‘speed’ on Tuesday, ‘fatigue and restraints’ on Wednesday, ‘sharing the road’ on Thursday, and ‘drink and drug driving’ on Friday.

We’re asking everyone in the community to get behind this important event by sharing a personal road safety story, suggesting a life-saving tip, talking to their kids, family and friends about staying safe on the road, or by making a pledge to improve a single road behaviour. Below are some ideas on how participate each day to make a difference.

Monday 17 August 2015
Distractions - Take action against distractions
- In the car, switch your phone to silent so you’re not tempted.
- Keep your phone out of sight. Pop it in the glove box.
- Pull over safely before grabbing your phone or GPS.

Tuesday 18 August 2015
Speed - Put the brakes on speeding
- Regularly check your speed when you’re driving.
- If weather and/or road conditions are poor, slow down.
- Don’t follow too closely – leave a two second gap.

Wednesday 19 August 2015
Fatigue - Wake up to fatigue
- After work, hit the couch not the road. Avoid driving when you’re tired.
- 10 hours a day is the maximum you should drive.
- On long trips, rest every two hours for at least 15 minutes.

Restraints - Show some restraint
- No matter how short your journey, always wear your seatbelt.
- Make sure children are always properly restrained.
- Remember, the driver is responsible for all passengers buckle up.

Thursday 20 August 2015
Sharing the road with others - Drive/ride a safe vehicle, safely
- Ensure your vehicle is properly maintained and safe to drive/ride
- Know and follow the road rules
- Share the road by driving courteously and patiently
- Look out for and give all other road users the extra space they need – especially trucks, cyclists and motorcyclists.

Friday 21 August 2015
Drink Driving - Plan not to drink and drive
- If you plan to drink, plan to get home safely.
- Designate a driver, catch a taxi or public transport, or organise a lift.
- Stay at a mate’s place
- You can still be over the limit in the morning, so avoid driving.

Stay safe on our roads.
Senior Constable Adam McLoughlin
Seaforth Police Beat

Yr 3/4 HUMOUR IN POETRY
LIMERICKS
There was a boy from Japan
whose name was Jacki Chan
he learned Kung Fu
and Karate too
and nearly killed his Nan!

There was a girl from Bali
who went be the name of Charli
she had a tattoo
and a blue tutu
that she wore when she rode her Harley!

UPCOMING EVENTS
19/8/2015  Mackay North SHS 2016 Yr 7 information.
24-28/8/2015  Book Fair
2-4/9/2015  Fathers Day Stall
14&15/9/2015  Bike Education Yr 4 $25/child
16/9/2015  Amazing Race
20-22/10/2015  Yr 5/6 Camp @ Camp Kanga
10/11/2015  Mackay North SHS 2016 Yr 7 information.
3/12/2015  Yr 6 Graduation @ Magpies
BUDDY BENCH
Jay and Dave from Sea FM as well as representatives from Bunnings will be coming to the school on Tuesday 18th August at 12:30pm to install our Buddy Bench. Everyone is welcome to attend.
A huge thank you to the families that voted. This is a huge win for our little school.

SCHOOL SWIMMING PROGRAM
Mrs Frost will be returning money to families whose students did not participate in all/some of the swimming program. Please be patient as it may take some time to complete this.

YR 5/6 CAMP
Expression of interest notes got sent home last Friday. Could all 5/6 students please ensure that they are returned to the office by Thursday 20th August so that we know who intends on going to camp.
Please note: we can offer a payment plan as an option.

BOOKFAIR
Welcome to our under the sea book fair, please come visit our library and check out all the hard work your children/grandchildren have been doing to decorate it.
Books make wonderful, educational gifts for children to enjoy reading and get their imaginations flowing. Book fairs are a chance to get new books for our school library as we receive 30% commission of whatever sells in free books for our shelves.

WHERE: School library
WHEN: Monday the 24th till Friday the 28th August
TIME: 7:30am - 8:30am and 2:30pm - 3:30pm
Please see me if you need a special time to view the books due to work or other commitments.

GHANA BEAT MY DRUM
(School Performance Tours)
Incorporates audience participation, singing, dancing and drumming to leave audiences feeling exhilarated and inspired as well as enlightened in the ways and culture of Africa and more particularly Ghana.
Jonas teaches students words from the local languages, Ga Tui Mzema and Effutu and with their newly learnt words Jonas gets the entire audience participating in traditional call and response songs.
Students learn how many traditional African instruments are made from easy to find natural resources.

Ghana Beat My Drum will be held in the Library on Monday 31st August at 9am. Cost is $6/student, $15/family.

SCHOOL BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS
Attach your receipt of payment or send me an email stating what you have paid for and who the payment is for. dgill82@eq.edu.au
Seaforth State School, BSB: 064707, Account Number: 00090837

BEANBAGS
Thank you to the families that have donated bean bags to the Library. We would certainly welcome some more if anyone has a bean bag lying around that’s not being used.

INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

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<td>Billy Bowman</td>
<td>For being a thoughtful and considerate friend.</td>
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<td>Lilly-Rose Sinclair</td>
<td>Putting more effort into her work.</td>
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<td>Bella Hussey</td>
<td>Always giving her best efforts. Taking advantage of every learning opportunity.</td>
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<td>Johnny Bowman</td>
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<td>Cooper Robinson</td>
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<td>Jacob Staib</td>
<td>Brave positivity when attempting activities he’s uncomfortable with and always trying his best.</td>
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<td>YCDI</td>
<td>Lara Siemer</td>
<td>Wonderful friend to everyone.</td>
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INSERTS
- YCDI- Getting along
- Walk for William
- Book fair

P & C NOTICES
UNIFORM SHOP & PRICES
Open Monday and Wednesday 8:00am – 8:45am.
Jacket (fleece zip) $20.00
SSS Shirts - $25.00
Sports Skorts (new style) - $14.00
Hats (reversible bucket or wide brim)- $15.00
Homework folder - $12.00
Heavy duty chair bag - $11.00
Pencil case (large) - $6.00
Library bags - $6.00

*SPECIALS*
Old stock- first in best (& cheapest) dressed.
2 x size 10 microfibre tracksuit pants - $15 each.
8 x size 12 SSS shirts - $18 each.
WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN
This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school/early learning centre – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it’s complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.

At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you’d like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

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