Congratulations to the following AWARD RECIPIENTS:

**PREP**  
SUMMER McKENZIE  
For great listening and participation in class.

**YEAR 1/2**  
MARLI WHITE  
For being a great listener and completing all tasks.

**YEAR 2/3**  
TRINITY COWLEY  
For helping others and being kind.

**YEAR 3/4**  
WHOLE CLASS  
WHOLE CLASS AWARD

**YEAR 5/6**  
DAKOTA COLEMAN  
For showing 100% attention to all tasks.

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**BOOKCLUB ORDERS NEXT WEDNESDAY 8TH FEBRUARY.**  
Please hand orders & payment into the office. Alternatively, orders can be done online at scholas-tic.com.au/loop

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**SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP**  
**UNIFORM SHOP HOURS**  
**MONDAY 8:30AM AND 2:00–2:30PM**  
In the next coming weeks there will be a sale after parade on all.

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**LOOKING FOR TUTOR** for a year 8 student.  
Contact Christine Walz on 0428602604

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**School zones, parking and pick-up**  
**Education Queensland**

School zones are areas around schools where, during certain times, reduced speed limits apply. Speed limits and drop-off, pick-up and parking rules exist to keep children, parents and carers safe and to minimise speed and traffic jams around schools.

Drop-off and pick-up areas, where you can quickly set down and pick up your children, are common outside schools (always on the school side of the road). They create a safe environment for children and keep traffic moving. Drop-off and pick-up areas are signed with passenger loading zone signs or 2 minute parking signs. These signs mean you have a maximum of 2 minutes to drop off or collect your children.

Please familiarise yourself with the parking signs at the front of OUR school and keep it a safe place for all our children. Car parks are available along the side street running into grassed area, and at this stage the Kindy carpark.

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**PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE**

**PARENT TEACHER INFORMATION SESSIONS**

At Seafort State School we believe that communication is the key to a successful school journey. Our teachers are very keen to keep you updated on classroom routines and curriculum expectations. Please attend the parent information session as listed below to ensure all your questions are answered. These sessions are very informative and a chance for you to become familiar with school/classroom expectations and to get to know your child’s teachers.

**UNIFORM SHOP HOURS**

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These information sessions for term 1 will be held during week 3 (next week). This is the ideal opportunity for parents/guardians to find out about curriculum and organisational details and to ask any questions you may have.

**THRASS PARENT WORKSHOP**

At Seafort our staff have all attended training in THRASS. Students and teachers use THRASS in their classrooms everyday to help with Teaching Handwriting Reading and Spelling. Miss Cork will be attending master training in the upcoming weeks. We are very lucky to have Melissa Caruana come to our school to conduct a THRASS workshop for parents on Feb 23rd from 8.30. This is to give parents an understanding of the program and how it can be supported through homework. Please join us at school for this wonderful free workshop. 8.30 –10.30 in the school library.

Mrs Denman has commenced Choir. Interested students from year 1 to year 6 will meet in the music room on Tuesdays from 2:00 - 2:30pm.

**CROSS COUNTRY**

The date for Seafort’s Cross Country event for 2017 is Tuesday 14th March. Training for this will commence with Mrs Lisa Neilson on Thursday 9th February. There will be a separate note and permission form sent out for this. Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 are eligible for this event.
A little bit about Safety Circus

“Safety Circus 2017” is a dynamic applied theatre production for Grade 3 students, presented in their respective schools. The key messages are based on Protective Behaviours, Bike Safety and Bullying Strategies.

An experienced young director wrote the drama with reference to current police Protective Behaviour policy. Mackay CQ University students who are studying a Bachelor of Theatre at Central Queensland Conservatorium of Music, will perform Safety Circus over 13 days in February 2017 to schools in the Mackay Regional Council Area.

Once again the “Life Ed” van will be making a visit to your school. The van will be here 2 days, Friday 10th and Monday 13th February.

Listed are the programs that the students will be attending.

Please find attached an envelope for admission. $6 a child.

Please returned envelope to the office no later than Wednesday 8th February.

This is the fifth time the Safety Circus has been on tour in Mackay…some of the comments from the evaluation from previous tours are below.

- Well done. Congratulations on the positive initiative.
- Very engaging. Visual props and songs were effective to help the children remember the message.
- All the children were fully engaged in watching the show.
- Thank you for keeping the messages simple and few. 3 messages are enough for this age. Great show, Great community effort. Well done.
- It’s great to have my safety messages backed up by someone else and in such a fun way for my children to relate to thank you.
- Catchy music age appropriate. Was very well done. Loved how they engaged with the children and asked questions. Would love this message delivered to this level every year. Thank you for a great performance.

Sergeant Nigel Dalton
Mackay District
Crime Prevention Unit

OUR YEAR 3 STUDENTS WILL ONCE AGAIN BE ATTENDING THIS PROGRAM. THE PROGRAM IS TO BE HELD AT THE CALEN DISTRICT STATE COLLEGE ON MONDAY 27TH FEBRUARY.

ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATIONS IN SCHOOLS: Schools require medical authorisation to administer any medication to students (including over-the-counter medications such as paracetamol or alternative medicines). Refer to attachment in this newsletter.

It is an audit requirement that students who are on continued medication require a new form to be filled in at the start of every new school year. Also CARE PLANS need to be updated at the start of each new school year.

UPDATING STUDENT/FAMILY DETAILS: Please ensure the office has your most up to date contact details.

MONDAY MUNCHKINS—PLAYGROUP
Playgroup starts 6th February at 9am in the ‘kindy’ building. Cost is $2 per week. Bring morning tea, water bottle, hat and sun safe clothing. All new and old families welcome.

What’s On in February
6.2.17 Getting to Know Everyone
13.2.17 All about LOVE
20.2.17 Water play
27.2.17 Gardening

Call the office for any questions!
Sarah Cowley

MARTIAL ARTS
Martial Arts – Expression of Interest
Little Ninjas & Samurais run classes on Mondays at 3.30pm – 4.30pm in the library.

Cost is $10 per lesson. Any students interested please advise the office. Classes will start 6th February.