

SEAFORTH STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Week 4 Term 1 2021



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

To the parents and Community of Seaforth State School,

Welcome to Week 4 of the term everyone. This fortnight has been rather exciting with things well and truly getting back to normal. All classes are very settled and our units of study are well under way. Very shortly, we would like to also hold our first Student Council meeting of the year and we would like to thank Ms Lauren Noli for being our Student Council Supervisor for 2021.

STUDENT COUNCIL

This year, we are hoping our Student Council can organise and run one set fundraiser, chosen by them, each term this year. In addition, they will be responsible for choosing a sport to play each term as well as to organise a Disco or another event once per semester. We all look forward to seeing more events of this nature in the near future and hope that our 'Covid Normal' routines continue.

FOOTPATH TO SEAFORTH ESPLANADE

In other news, the footpath that is planned to join the school to the Seaforth Esplanade has started as of today. You will have undoubtedly seen the workers start to set up for the first stage. Please be aware that this may mean a restriction on the speed limit and/or other possible delays. It should be great once finished though!

LUNCHTIME RECREATION

In other news, last week Mr Morris had been busy making and painting two backboards for Basketball Hoops for the new Shade Structure. These hoops have now been installed as well as repairs to another two hoops for our younger kids. This is in addition to two new Ping Pong tables and equipment that was purchased last year. Very shortly, each class will also be receiving their own class bag of equipment that they will be responsible for. This bag includes a combination of Soccer, Football and Volleyball balls, as well as a cricket set, hand balls and other equipment. This will be done on a trial basis to start with to try and provide our students with even more options to do at lunchtime.

SCHOOL BUS:

On another note, we are aware that last Friday afternoon one of the school buses unfortunately broke down. Our school received some phone calls in regards to this and we did our best to answer those calls. We would like to remind all parents that the two separate bus runs operate independently to the school so although we aim to work closely together—we aren't always made aware of any issues. If you do have any concerns in relation to the bus runs, whether it is general enquiries, complaints or (like last Friday) concerns about why the bus is running late, please don't hesitate to **contact Busfox directly on 1800809734.**

MACKAY DISTRICT SPORTS

And lastly, this year Mackay District Sports is hoping to be back to normal. Through our parades and this newsletter we will be hoping to make parents aware of the trials that are upcoming. Please be advised that only students that are already playing sport as a part of a club should be applying for trial information. If you have a child that may be interested in the sports advertised—please don't hesitate to contact the school. Upcoming Sports include Touch, Rugby League, Soccer and Netball.

UPCOMING EVENTS

School Parade Undercover Area	Every Monday 8:30am
P&C Meet & Greet BBQ	THIS FRIDAY 19TH FEB, DOWN AT The Seaforth Foreshore Enclosure



School News

PBL –Positive Behaviour for Learning

BE RESPECTABLE...BE RESPONSIBLE...BE SAFE...BE A LEARNER

PBL NEWS - from Mrs Francis PBL Team Leader

Welcome to the Seaforth State School PBL News for Weeks 3 & 4 of Term 1. The term is flying by very quickly. Mrs Cahill has been collecting data on our weekly positive to negative ratios (PBL Tickets vs Data Trackers) and I'm happy to say that each class is smashing this ratio out of the water! Well done everyone!!



Week 3 saw each of the classes focus on “**Being safe, respectful, responsible** and a **learner** in the Eating Area”. Throughout the week, the students were learning to:

- ♦ Walk safely, respectfully and responsibly to the eating area.
- ♦ Wash their hands before and after eating
- ♦ Sit at their class tables and talk in a quiet voice while eating
- ♦ Only eat their own food and to make healthy choices
- ♦ Put their hands up to ask permission to go to the toilet or to get a drink
- ♦ Wait until the bell rings and the teacher lets them go to play
- ♦ Put their rubbish in the bins

This is because... by following these rules, students can stay safe and they can learn how to be responsible and respectful in the eating area so that lunch times are a calm and enjoyable time for all students.

This week, our PBL focus is “**Be Prepared and Willing to Accept Playground Routines and Rules**”. This focus fits under the Be a Learner rule on our PBL matrix. Students have been learning to know how to play appropriately in the playground and on the play equipment; know how to communicate with the staff and other students in the playground and to willingly accept the rules and expectations of our playgrounds. This is because it is important to want to learn and accept Seaforth State School's playground rules and routines. Throughout the week, staff have been looking for ...



Students wearing sun-safe clothing in the playground.
 Students following safety routines on the play equipment.
 Students following staff instructions promptly.
 Students asking permission to go into an out of bounds area.
 Students using positive and appropriate language.
 Students playing fairly and being a good sport.
 Students following the rules of the game.
 Students sharing equipment and taking turns.
 Students stopping play at the bell and returning equipment to the shed.
 Students walking quickly back to class after the bell.
 Students accepting challenges and being problem solvers.

Keep up the great work everyone! Stay positive, be kind and be the best version of 'you'

Monday 8 & 15 February



PREP/1/2
NICHOLAS - for stepping up into the responsibilities of being a Year 2 with his work and rule following.
LACY - for showing great persistence in completing her writing attempts. Great work Lacy, keep it up !

PREP/1/2 -
GEORGE - for knowing and following toilet routines at school.
SARAH - For being safe, responsible and respectful in the eating areas. Great work Sarah!

YEAR 3/4
LACIE - for listening and working to the best of your ability in class. Well done Lacie!

WILLIAM - for having a positive attitude and showing enthusiasm when learning about place value!

YEAR 3/4
KAELA - for following our PBL focus of 'Know and follow school toilet routines'. Well done!
JAX - for following our PBL focus of 'Know and follow school toilet routines'. Well done!
PHOEBE - for being exemplary students and following the rules and routines in the eating area!
GRACE - for being exemplary students and following the rules and routines in the eating area!

YEAR 5/6
GRACE - for displaying an excellent understanding of the maths concepts last week.
JEFF - for some awesome discussions in HASS and Science demonstrating understanding of the content.

YEAR 5/6
AXEL - for demonstrating consistently all the school PBL rules.
JUDE - for demonstrating Positive Behaviour in every area of the school.



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Welcome to our first event for 2021. A meet and greet BBQ . This will be held this Friday, 19 February at 4pm down at the Seaforth Foreshore Enclosure. (Weather pending, if raining we will have this year's BBQ at the school's Undercover Area. Check Face Book posts for updates) Sausage on bread will be provided. BYO chairs, adult beverages and of course the kids!! This is a great catch up for old and new families to our school. Last years event proved to be very successful.

A huge thank you to Eva Parry for organising and running the Tuckshop so far this year. It's a big repetitive job each week and we really appreciate your hard work Eva.

We have received **POSITIVE foodie comments** from staff and students. Also, a big thank you to Stacey Pearce in helping run the day in Week 2 & 3 alongside Eva! Tuckshop wouldn't be here without you ladies. **Always looking for new helpers.....please contact Eva or Ange.**

Our Homework Folders and Chair Bags are currently out of stock and we apologise for the inconvenience. We were not expecting such huge sales in this area. They have been ordered and will take approximately 3 weeks before they arrive. Chair Bags will now have our School Logo on them.

Some of our existing Executive team are looking to having some time out from their involvement on the P&C Committee this year. However, they will still remain on the scene in a different capacity. So, we are actively looking for new members to take on a role on the P&C committee for 2021. If you have never given a position like this a go before and would like to join the team but feel you don't have the knowledge about the running of a committee, well don't let this deter you as full support and training will be given. If you are interested and want any extra information of what is involved please don't hesitate to contact me.

Our P&C have about \$20,000 that we will be looking at putting towards school resourcing this year. Also we are wanting to plan some awesome events for the children. So come along, bring your ideas and join the team.

Our AGM is looking like it will be held on Tuesday, 23 March at 2:30pm in the school library. Date will depend on the auditor's report being back on time. Please hand in Committee Member Applications and EOI for an Executive Position before this date.

To stay up to date and receive reminders of events please follow us on Facebook:

Ange Gifford

President

Seaforth Primary P&C Association



MONDAY MUNCHKINS PLAYGROUP

An active start to our first playgroup on Monday.

Lovely to see all the returning families and meeting new families as well. All babies to kindy age children

welcome. Playgroup is a place for children and their families to practise learning skills in a nurturing, safe space within a school environment.

What's On in February.....

15/2/21 - Gardening/Mud Kitchen

22/2/21 - Fireworks Painting

