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Seaford K-7 NEWS



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Thursday 9th February Term 1 Week 2

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Welcome to Seaford K-7 2017

Welcome back to school for 20167 especially to our new receptions and other new students and their families. We are looking forward to a successful year; working together to support your child's learning.

Our staff for 2017 are as follows:

Principal: Belinda Adams

Deputy Principal: Nikki Garner

School Counsellor: Michelle Donht (Tues, Thurs, Fri)

Senior Leader: Rick Whitbread (Mon, Fri)

Early Years Unit	Middle Primary Unit	Upper Primary Unit
R/1 Kimberley Wright R/1 Jess Tietgen R/1 Jenny Lovering & Naomi Moro JP Special Anthony Parina	2 Marg Ray 3 Ann McLoughlin & Elaine Bladon Primary Special Yvonne Haddy Japanese	4/5 Bec Burton & Naomi Moro 4/5 Kimberley Gillies 5/6 Abigail N'diaye 6/7 Garry Barnett

Specialist Teachers (N.I.T.) Teachers

Health & PE Steve Paulovich

Japanese Tania Folland (Mon, Tues, Wed)

The Arts Rick Whitbread (Tues, Wed, Thurs)

SSO Team (School Support Officers)

Front Office: Ann McCleane, Helen Smith, Helen Briggs, Cheryl Norman

Student Support: Rosemary Antonoff, Tamara Burgess, Michelle Burgess, Nikki Dougray, Julie Hurn, Karen McNee, Kelly Tracey, Consuela Castilla,

Aboriginal Community Education Officer (ACEO):

Eileen Butler

Grounds: Michael Hazelwood

PCW: Steve Brooks

Canteen Manager: Annette Marshall

School Hours

8.30am	Yard supervision begins
8.50am	Lessons commence
10:30-10.55am	Recess
10:55am	Lessons commence
12.35 - 12:45 pm	Students eat lunch in classrooms
12:45 - 1.10 pm	Lunch
1:10	Lessons commence
3.00 pm	Dismissal
3.15pm	Yard supervision ends

Have a great year! Belinda

Diary Dates

FEBRUARY

- 9 Acquaintance Night
6.00-6.30pm - Rec/Yr 1
6.45-7.15pm - Yrs 4-7
- 16 Governing Council Meeting
- 17 9.00am - Volunteer Training in Resource Centre
- 24 9.10am - Assembly in Gym - All welcome
- 28 SAPSASA Swimming Trials at Marion

MARCH

- 1-3 Yr 4-7 Arbury Park Camp
- 10 **PUPIL FREE DAY**
- 13 **ADELAIDE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY**
- 21 SAPSASA Athletics Carnival at Tatchilla College
- HARMONY DAY**
- 30 Governing Council AGM

Deputy Principal's Introduction

"Don't be afraid of change, it's leading you to a new beginning."

Anon

Hello, I am your new Deputy Principal Nikki Garner. I am an experienced teacher who has taught in many different settings and countries for over twenty years, including the UK and Japan. I have lived in Australia for just over 4 years and am very happy that my family and I made the choice to move here. We are very settled and plan to stay here for a while!

Since relocating to South Australia I spent most of my time working at Christie Downs Primary School in the roles of Intervention Teacher and Curriculum Leader for the mainstream school. I learnt lots in this setting, such as working with children with disabilities and with a large Aboriginal population.

I am extremely excited about my new role and am looking forward to working with you all in a partnership of learning. All the best for a great 2017!

Nikki Garner

Deputy Principal

Information / Acquaintance Night

Parents/ Carers are invited to attend classes' information night:

**Thursday February 9th
Rec/Yr 1 at 6.00-6.30pm
Year 4-7 at 6.45-7.15pm**

Assembly Awards – Well Done



RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, SUCCESS

Anthony	Jaxon For demonstrating Success by working hard to learn his school routines
Jenny & Mrs Moro	Ivy For demonstrating Responsibility by being a willing helper to show new Reception students what to do at school Brady For demonstrating Responsibility by being a great role model and helper to the new Reception students
Ms Wright	Baylee For demonstrating Responsibility by showing the new Receptions the 5Ls and for being a good role model
Jess & Mrs Moro	Zachary For demonstrating Responsibility in the first week of school Lily For demonstrating Responsibility by being such a good role model
Marg	Charlotte For demonstrating Responsibility for helping others and for helping to organise our room during pack up time Odin For demonstrating Success for participating in our class discussion and for sharing some clever ideas
Mrs Gilles	Connor For demonstrating Success by keeping his cool in tricky situations Logan For demonstrating Responsibility by being organised and eager to start learning
Mrs McLoughlin & Ms Bladon	Riley For demonstrating Responsibility – by helping your classmates if they are not sure what to do Hayley For demonstrating Responsibility By helping your classmates if they are not sure what to do
Bec & Mrs Moro	Jasmine For demonstrating Respect for all her classmates and completing work on time Tommy For demonstrating Success for being a calm and on task worker
Abigail	Cooper For demonstrating Success by working in the classroom and trying things even when they are hard Caelyn For demonstrating Success by attempting all work and joining in with all class activities
Mr Barnett	Madison For demonstrating Responsibility by being helpful to her classmates and teacher
Mrs Haddy	Alex For demonstrating Success by trying really hard with his classroom behaviour
Drama Mr Whitbread	Year 5/6 class For demonstrating the school values in Drama by working together as a team to be successful in class

Sun Smart Policy

In Term 1, 3 & 4 all children are required to **wear a hat** outside to be sun smart. Please ensure your child has a green school hat each day as our policy is “No hat, No play”. If you need to purchase one they are available at the front office at a cost of \$8.

Attendance is Everybody’s Business

It is fast becoming that time of year where sniffles and snuffles get the best of us; in saying this we ask that you keep contacting the school to inform us of any absences of your child/children as every day counts!

Here at Seaford K-7 we have many avenues for you to inform the school of absences. These include;

- diary notes
- Class Dojo
- Skoolbag app
- email
- phone
- text message **0427016460**

When sending text message please include student name, date, reason and class

Our **staff** is committed to having students in class and will contact you when we notice students are absent and we have not heard from you.

It is DECD policy that students attend school and further work is done in the support of families to help students spend as few days off as possible. This is to ensure that students can access the curriculum and maintain consistency with their learning.

So here are the stats...

If your child misses...	That equals...	Which is...	And over 13 years of schooling that's...
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

What you can do...

- If you are planning a family holiday or there has been a family crisis and you know your child/children will be taking several days off then you will need to fill out and **Exemption Form** that can be found at our front office. This must be filled out by a parent/carer and approved by our Principal, Belinda Adams.
- Keep us in the loop, any days absent must be accounted for so please let us know via the methods mentioned above for any absences for your child/children. This cannot be done by a child, it *must* be provided by the **parent/carer**.

We will continue to work together on student attendance. **If your child/children attend 95% of the term then they will earn a \$1.00 canteen voucher to be spent at our school canteen.** There's a reason to get up and ready for school in the morning! Thank you everyone,

Michelle
School Counsellor

Governing Council AGM

Please join us for our Annual General Meeting for our joint Governing Council (a combined council for both preschool and school). It will be held in the school library on THURSDAY 30th MARCH.

If you are interested in being on the Governing Council as a member, meetings are held twice a term and are a great way to be involved, hear what is happening and to have a say. If you would also like to join our Grounds and Facilities and/ or Fundraising Committee there will be more information in the next newsletter with the Governing Council Nomination Forms on February 22nd.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

Tuesdays from 2.30pm in courtyard near the canteen

We are extremely fortunate to have one of our parents, Leanne Kilgallon, volunteer to run our Second Hand Uniform Store. It will be open on Tuesday afternoons from 2.30pm in the courtyard next to the canteen. Leanne will be spending a little time re-organising things to start off the new year and will hopefully be open for business next Tuesday 14th.

Thanks again Leanne. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

School Fees

An invoice for your child's school materials and services fees (school fees) has been sent home. As an incentive, parents who pay before **Wednesday 15th March** will go into a draw to get one of their school fees back! **This will be drawn at our assembly on FRIDAY 17th March at 9:10am.** All parents/carers are welcome to attend.

Volunteer Training

If you would like to volunteer at school or join the Governing Council, you need to attend a short orientation and complete the Responding to Abuse and Neglect training. We run these sessions at school and there will be one on **Friday 17th February at 9am in the library.** Please give your name to the staff in the front office if you are interested in attending.

Car Parking

The School and Kindy car park, for safety reasons, **are not for families to use for parking (unless there is a specific reason that has been discussed with staff eg disability).** This is a real safety issue for children with families driving in and out as children and even adults are not always visible when cars are backing. It is often extremely busy and therefore **NOT A SAFE PLACE** for children and cars.

PREMIER'S READING Challenge

Is your child taking up the Challenge in 2017??

If so, please ensure they fill in their student reading records as they read their books, gets them signed off as they go and please make sure your child hands it in to their teacher or the school contact person by: Friday 8 September.

The Challenge is to read 12 books in total.

In: Reception to Year 7, 8 of these books are to be from the Challenge booklists, available on our website, and 4 of their own choice.

Student reading records are available from your child's teacher, or from the school contact person, who is usually someone in the school library (ask your child's teacher). Your son/daughter can also Rate a Read, reviewing the books that they are reading and send this in to us on the website. We award 1 winner every month with a book prize and their first name and school are entered on our website. Also, we have a student blog section for posting and sharing thoughts about the Challenge and books that they are reading – encourage your children to have a go! Enjoy the Challenge!

Term Dates 2017

Term 1	January 30 th - April 13 th
Term 2	May 1 st - July 7 th
Term 3	July 24 th -September 29 th
Term 4	October 16 th -December 15 th

Community News

TAUONDI & TAIKURRENDI OPEN DAY

WEDNESDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2017

Tauondi & Taikurrendi Open Day 2017 is the perfect opportunity to get the answer to all your questions about vocational training courses and services Tauondi can offer in 2017 in the southern Adelaide region.

Your participation and feedback will guide us to decide what courses and programs that Tauondi can offer the local community in 2017. Look forward to seeing you all on the day!

On Wednesday 15 February 2017 from 10.30 am at Taikurrendi Children and Family Centre (8 Price Street, Christies Beach)

(08) 8240 0300 Tauondi Aboriginal College

WIRREANDA SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN NIGHT 2017 THURSDAY 23 MARCH 4PM – 7PM

For more information please contact Sue Bogumil at the school on 8329 7200