



The Seaforth Satellite

The weekly newsletter of Seaforth Public School

Week 9 Term 2 Tuesday 21st June 2016

All you need to know in 30 seconds!

Dates for your diary:

June

21 st	Stage 1 Year 2 Excursion Pittwater CEC
22 nd – 24 th	Stage 3 Camp – Great Aussie Bush Camp
30 th	Stewart House School Clothing Collection

July

1 st	Winter PSSA
1 st	Last school day for Term 2
19 th	Start school day for Term 3
22 nd	Winter PSSA

Newsletters are available on the school website and the parent portal

<http://www.seaforth-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/home> www.seaforth-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

From the Principals Desk

This week's messages include:

- Inaugural Celebration of Learning Assembly
- Parent Teacher Interviews
- Years 5 & 6 Camp
- And finally ...

Inaugural Celebration of Learning Assembly

Next week we will be holding our inaugural celebration of learning assembly that recognises 4 students with the highest academic achievement in Mathematics and English* as well as 4 students that have demonstrated the most significant improvement and application in any area of the curriculum based on classroom teacher and/or specialist teacher judgment and observation from each class K-6.

These Celebration of Learning Assemblies will be held at the conclusion of each school term where it forms a significant aspect of our school wide Positive Behaviour and Learning (PBL) program.

This change to our student awards and recognition was launched at our last P&C meeting where if you were not able to attend, further information including a list of frequently asked questions is outlined within the Deputy Principals news further in the newsletter.

I warmly welcome our community to attend and join with us in celebrating our student's achievements next Wednesday afternoon from 2:15pm.



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Parent Teacher Interviews

As I mentioned last week, our parent/teacher interviews will be held on the 20th and 21st July, (Wednesday and Thursday of week 1, Term 3). To book your time with your teacher, follow the link below and enter the event code “3a9k7”

<http://www.seaforth-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/parent-services/school-booking-system>

The booking system will be open from 5pm today. If you have any difficulties please contact the school office for assistance.

To support you to prepare for your interviews, K-6 student written academic reports will be sent home on the last day this term for you to review.

Years 5 & 6 Camp

I would like to wish the best of luck for our years 5 and 6 campers who leave for the Great Aussie Bush Camp tomorrow morning. For parents, a camp information booklet was sent out via our APP for your information outlining the organisation of the days and what you need to bring last Friday. If you are yet to review the camp information, it is also available for download from our school website at:

<http://www.seaforth-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/school-communication> and click on the Years 5 or 6 mailing list.

As a quick reminder, the coaches leave the school tomorrow morning at 7:30am so all students are to arrive by 7:00am to the Kempbridge Campus.

And finally ...

Have a great week where I look forward to catching up with our Senior Campers at the great Aussie Bush Camp which for those who like a little trivia, is the site of the old Leyland Brothers world where much of the original theme park remains including the big Ayres Rock and the Film studios used to make the weekly episodes of The Leyland Brothers!

For those interested in a little reminiscing from our childhoods, here is the link to the first ever Leyland Brothers episode <https://youtu.be/NXcFDdBxXF5>

Till next week

Mr. Bernard Cheng: **Principal**

From the Deputy

For those who weren't able to attend the PandC Meeting where staff presented the Positive Behaviour for Learning Framework and the Celebration of Learning Awards structure, the following information may be of interest to you in understanding how things now work.



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CELEBRATION of LEARNING AWARD STRUCTURE

Recognition of learning in all domains is an important part of our student wellbeing approach at Seaforth Public School. The following award structure has been put in place during 2016 to complement the school's move towards Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL).

TERMS 1, 2 and 3

During the final K-6 Assembly of each term (The Celebration of Learning Assembly), each class teacher will award 8 certificates to the children in their class.

These are A5 size certificates and are divided into academic achievement awards (4 per class) and achievement/application/improvement awards (4 per class)



Academic Achievement awards

4 x Celebration of Learning Awards awarded to the highest achieving children for that term in

- * English and/or
- * Mathematics

Based on classroom teacher assessment of the student's achievement in class over the course of a term.
*except Kindergarten. Kindergarten children will be awarded 8 x Celebration of Learning Awards for achievement, improvement and application

Achievement/Improvement/Application awards

4 x Celebration of Learning Awards awarded for achievement, improvement and application in any area of the curriculum and based on classroom teacher and/or specialist teacher judgment and observation.

TERM 4

During the Presentation Day Assembly in Term 4 all classes K-6 will award 4 x A4 Certificates:



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2 x Principal's Academic Awards awarded to the highest achieving children for that overall year in English and/or Mathematics

2 x Principal's Recognition Awards – teacher's discretion

2 x Specialist Awards per grade for each - Garden, Kitchen (3-6), Music and Science

FAQ's

Frequently asked questions about our awards structure

1. Can a child receive one academic certificate for both Maths and English?

Yes. For example, one class' awards could be as follows (or any combination thereof):

Christine Smith – Academic Award for English

Meryn Kay - Academic Award for English

Tom Davidson - Academic Award for Maths

Alison Crowshaw - Academic Award for English

Christine Smith – Academic Award for English

Meryn Kay - Academic Award for English

Christine Smith - Academic Award for Maths

Alison Crowshaw - Academic Award for English

As long as the children receiving the awards are genuinely the highest achieving children in English and/or Maths over the term. There should be no more than 4 children receiving the academic awards

2. Can the same child receive an academic award in more than one term during terms 1, 2 or 3?

Yes they can. Because the academic awards are awarded for the highest academic achievement it is probable that some children could receive one every term. If they did receive one every term for the same subject they would more than likely receive the Principal's academic award at the Presentation Day assembly.

3. Do these awards accumulate towards a bigger award?

No they don't. These are discreet awards awarded each term. The term 4 awards are awarded to children for their achievements over the whole year. Overall, this is a fairer system than we have previously had due to the fact that a child starting at Seaforth at any point in their schooling can achieve them. It is also not a deficit system ie you don't start off with an award for doing nothing and only lose it if you receive an orange card or similar infringement.

4. Do these Celebration of Learning Awards link with the PBL awards?

No they don't. These new awards are aimed at making rewards for behaviour (PBL), awards for learning and Sports awards, all discreet systems.



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5. Do the PBL awards and Celebration of Learning Awards link at all with the previous award/reward system?

No they don't. The old system is no longer in existence.

Mrs Christine Smith: Deputy Principal

Stewart House School Clothing Appeal 2016

Scheduled date for pick up is 30th June 2016. Please leave bags in the Hall for collection.

Library News

New Library Computer System

The library is changing over to a new computer system over the next two Wednesdays. Children whose normal Library day is Wednesday will not be having their usual Library class on those two days. You can still borrow and return books though – drop in anytime before or after school.

Kel Cowling: **Librarian**

Sports News

PSSA SPORT NEWS

Gala Day last Friday

Last Friday 17th June was the annual PSSA Winter Sports Gala Day. Our teams all performed exceptionally well.

- Senior Sky Netballers: Best – Audrey Hemingway; Fairest – Sally Priest. The team had a successful day just missing out on the Semi Finals.
- Junior Sky Netballers: Best – Grace French; Fairest – Cleo Vidler. A fantastic effort by the juniors, making it into the Semi Finals (but sadly lost 4-11).
- Senior A Boys Soccer:
- Senior B Boys Soccer:
- Senior Rugby League:
- Junior Rugby League:

Kel Cowling: **PSSA Sports Coordinator**



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Band News

Kerry Costello: **Band**

Uniform Shop

Opening hours

Monday 8:45am to 10am

Thursday 2:45pm to 4pm.

The shop is now fully stocked with winter uniform items

You can order online at www.flexischools.com.au or the school office has order forms. All online orders will be delivered within 4 school days

Winter Scarf

We have school scarves available at the shop to help keep children warm on those chilly mornings. **\$14 each**

Caps

For your convenience the canteen now has a supply of school caps if you ever find yourself stuck without a cap. **\$12 each**

Second Hand Items

We are very grateful for your donations of second hand items. 100% of the sale of these items goes directly to the school via the P & C. It is appreciated if items are washed before donation.

The uniform shop is currently fully stocked with summer uniform items.

Any queries please email me at seaforthuniformshop@gmail.com or call/text me on 0416 225 048

Ashley Bennett: **Seaforth Uniform Shop**

Junior Science Academy

The Junior Science Academy is a program offered at Macquarie University to help children develop their understanding of science concepts and knowledge. It aims to support their science understanding and enhance and extend their school science learning, and our activities are fun and engaging.

To find out more, visit: www.juniorscienceacademy.com.au

Topics include:

- The Science of Ancient Greece **(for children in years 4-6)**
- Crime Scene Investigation **(for children in years 5-6)**
- Chemistry: Change, Mixtures and Pure Substances **(for children in years 3-6)**
- Incredible Forces **(for children in years 2-3)**
- The Human Circulatory System **(for children in years 2-3)**
- Design and Build **(for children in years 3-4)**
- Rube Goldberg Machines **(for children in years 3-4)**
- The Earth and Solar System **(for children in years 2-4)**



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Children may attend any day/s of each program, or all days. Our program runs from 9.30am to 4.30pm. Drop-off is from 8.30am to 9.30am and pick-up is from 4.30pm to 5.30pm at the Macquarie University campus, North Ryde. Drop-off and pick-up times are supervised.

Please see our [website](#) for more details, including the activities on each day, and to book your child's place for the upcoming school holidays.

Please share with colleagues, friends and family who you think could be interested.
We hope to see you in July!



WWW.JUNIORSCIENCEACADEMY.COM.AU

The Junior Science Academy aims to encourage children to develop their understanding of how our world works. Supported by science experts at Macquarie University, the activities are designed to suit all primary school aged children.

Children are introduced to science concepts, participate in science based experiments and make friends in a safe and supervised environment at Macquarie University where they have access to its learning facilities.

Our programs run four times a year in the school holidays and we add and rotate topics each offering.

Drop off 8.30am to 9.30am (children are supervised)

Activities 9.30am to 4.30pm

Pick up 4.30pm to 5.30pm (children are supervised)

Cost \$120 per child per day, including GST

ENROL ONLINE TODAY!

www.juniorscienceacademy.com.au/enrol

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MONDAYS Juniors: 6:00pm

Forestville Senior Citizens Centre
Cnr Warringah Rd and Starkey St
WED Juniors: 5:00pm

Also Beacon Hill and more

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AUTUMN COMMUNITY CONCERT SERIES:

WEDNESDAY 22 JUNE 2016
7pm

at The Forest High School, Frenchs Forest

Come along & support your school band,
and enjoy an evening of fabulous music.

Entry by donation at the door
Refreshments will be available

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