

Newsletter Term 3

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We are often linking school based articles and photos to our website. If an item captures your interest, Control & Click on the Link or URL at the end of the article descriptor. (The drop-down menu on the Home page is currently being rebuilt – sorry for any inconvenience.)

Class Placement for 2021

We have reviewed our 2021 class configuration based on anticipated student numbers and are now getting ready for the class placement process in preparation for the 2021 school year. This is a complex and lengthy task involving teachers and the school leadership team. We anticipate that the new school year will again start with 16 classes and we endeavour to place each child in a learning environment that will support them to be successful.

Parents and caregivers may wish to provide information to the current class teacher in the following areas: emotional, social and personal needs of your child, specific learning needs and positive friendships which could impact on your child's placement. We ask that parents with their child/children complete a confidential friendship survey in the next few weeks where you will be asked to nominate up to five students in the same year level they would like to learn alongside in their class next year. For more details and the friendship survey, please click on the link: [2021-Class-Placement-Parent-Information-Friendship-Survey.pdf](#)

(We'll be sending this home via email in the next week or so as a reminder. Hard copies are also available from the front office.)

Introducing our Seacliff Primary School 'Student Voice in Learning Team'

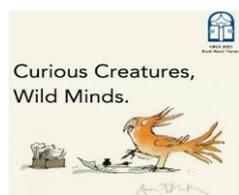


This year our school maintains involvement in the *Marion Coast 'Student Voice in Learning' Project*. Our 'Student Voice in Learning Leaders', in conjunction with students and staff, will continue the exciting and innovative work of decision-making and learning improvement at our school. The outcomes from our school-based project, and projects in partnership schools, also inform teaching and learning across South Australia. [Student Voice in Learning - Introducing the team](#)



Room 6 - Student Observations in Maths

Student Voice in Learning Leaders Riley and Nicolas recently observed a Numeracy lesson with year 3 & 4 students in Room 6. The task began with a 'number talk' focusing on skip counting, starting points and direction of counting. The students were given a variety of open-ended tasks where they chose the ways in which they responded. To find out more: [Observing student learning in Room 6](#)



Book Week 2020

BEGIN PLANNING YOUR COSTUME FOR OUR BOOK WEEK PARADE 'CURIOUS CREATURES, WILD MINDS'. Week 6 of Term 3 on Friday 28 August 2020.

All are welcome and prizes are given out for the most imaginative costumes.



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Science Week @ Seacliff Primary School

This week, all students at Seacliff Primary have been enjoying hands-on workshops presented by Mobile Science Education. Receptions to Year 2s have experienced a 90-minute session called 'How Pushes and Pulls Work' while Year 3s to 7s have been involved in 'Our Physical Forces'. [Seacliff Primary's National Science Week](#)

*(I want to take this opportunity to salute the wonderful efforts of **Brian Schiller**, Room 17 Classroom and Science Key Teacher for the enormous amount of time and commitment he has dedicated to bringing Science to life for us all during Science Week!)*

Creating a Positive Environment in School Sport

It is wonderful to have so much positive involvement by students and their families in school sport! While there haven't been any specific negative issues reported relating to school sport at Seacliff, it is important that all stakeholders are aware of how they can contribute to maintaining a positive environment at school sport matches.

The links below are from the Sport Australia website, 'Play by the Rules'. The information is aimed at players and spectators and provides useful strategies to ensure an enjoyable experience is had by everyone involved. The next generation of sporting champions will probably have played school sport, so it is important they can compete in an enjoyable environment surrounded by positive role models.

<https://www.playbytherules.net.au/conduct-and-behaviour/tips-for-parents>

<https://www.playbytherules.net.au/got-an-issue/sideline-behaviour>

<https://www.playbytherules.net.au/conduct-and-behaviour/tips-for-players>

Seacliff Sports Day(s)

The Education Department has given the go-ahead to have sports days under some strict conditions. To assist us with meeting these requirements we will be holding a **Junior Primary Sports Day** on Thursday 10 September and a **Primary Sports Day** on Friday 11 September. Two adults per family will be able to attend. More details about these days will be coming home soon. Some information from the department below.

From the Department - Sports days and carnivals

Schools can hold sports days and sporting carnivals. Parents and carers can attend providing they practice strict physical distancing from other adults at all times, and are not feeling unwell (even mildly).

Schools should:

- Keep attendance records of every adult/parent/carer that attends to make contact tracing easy*
- Include COVID-19 measures, such as adequate supply of hand sanitiser and provisions for adults to physical distance, in their routine risk assessment.*

Food and drink can be sold on site as long as every adult, including those serving, can safely physical distance from other adults at all times. Please note that health advice is regularly changing throughout this pandemic and all schools and preschools will be required to comply with any new restrictions put in place.

TEAM CANTEEN News

- We've had increasing numbers of orders. This is fantastic - thank you all for your support!
- As a result we need more volunteers to help us keep up!
- Ideally, we would love an extra volunteer every day from 10am - 12.45pm - choose a day that suits you.
- Please contact **Mish on 8298 8937** for more information 😊.

PREMIERS' READING Challenge

Has your child taken up the Challenge in 2020?

The Challenge is to read 12 books in total in Terms 1, 2 & 3 of 2020.

If so, please ensure they have filled in their student reading records correctly, have them signed off by an adult and make sure your child hands it in to the **LIBRARY by: Friday 28 AUGUST** (Week 6).

Late entries cannot be accepted.

The University of New South Wales ICAS for Schools 2020

Each year our school enters students in the University of New South Wales International Competitions and Assessments (ICAS) program. This year the competitions are held from **12 October to 23 October** and are all online.

Entry into the competition allows students to compare their performance and achievement with other similar aged students right across Australia. Participation in the competitions is recognised with a Certificate, while High Achievement gets special recognition. All participants also receive a detailed analysis of their results, showing areas of success and areas for further development. Please note that class teachers will have access to your child's results and can use them to plan for your child's learning needs.

The cost of each competition is \$14 and it is only available to students from Year 2 upwards. Our school participates in the Digital Technologies, Science, English, Spelling and Maths competitions.

Year 2 students are only eligible to enter the Maths, Science, Spelling and English competitions. Please note that the Writing assessment is not being offered this year.

If you wish for your child to participate, detailed information and entry forms are available on the QKR App. If you have any questions please contact Scott Francis at school.



Soccer Lightning Carnival

On Monday and Tuesday of last week Seacliff hosted the U/11 soccer lightning carnival.

Many amazing volunteers came along on both nights to run the canteen and barbeque. We also had donations of cakes, biscuits and soup which all proved very popular on the chilly evenings. The carnival is the major fundraiser for all school sports and this year our team of volunteers raised \$1980. This will be used to upgrade uniforms, as we recently have for the senior soccer teams, and purchase new equipment.

We thank all of our helpers for their contributions to another successful carnival.

