

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.

Class Placement for 2021

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 and return to your child's class teacher a confidential friendship survey **by Wednesday 16 September** 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](#)



Room 11 - 'Physical Forces'

Room 11 has been integrating the investigation of physical forces in Science with design technology. Over two lessons our task was to investigate a way to use air to create a thrust force in order to increase the speed of model cars. [Room-11-physical-forces](#)



Room 5 - 'Hair Raising' Learning Experiences

The students in Room 5 have been researching the Polar Regions to springboard their learning into other curriculum areas. This integrated approach leads to greater depth of knowledge and understanding. Follow the link for more details and images. [Room-5-hair-raising-learning-experiences](#)



Room 10 - Science Mobile Education Workshops

The Year 4/5 students of Room 10 were excited to participate in their Science Week workshop on Tuesday, August 11th. The topic presented this year was 'Physical Forces', where students used magnets, pulleys, levers, inclined planes, grids and many more materials to investigate how mechanical machines are used to move objects. Follow the link to find some of the students' articles explaining their Science activities. [Room-10-science-mobile-education-workshops](#)



SSO Week - 24 to 28 August

This week, teaching staff and students at Seacliff Primary School have recognised the wonderful contribution to children's learning and well being, and to the school more generally, through the work of our fabulous School Support Officers (SSOs). [SSO-week-seacliff-primary-24-to-28-August](#)





Student Leadership in Choir

With the support of Mrs Theodosi and the Accompanist, Julie Bennett; Harriet, Alva and Delilah have had great success in teaching the choir each week, complete with planning and preparing the material that the Choir will be working on. As well as teaching the Choir they have also choreographed a routine to go with one of the songs. In addition, they are also running vocal training sessions once a week for any Choir members who would like some extra support. Alva, Delilah and Harriet, through their commitment, have paved a new way for future Seacliff Primary School Choirs. Click on the link to learn more: [Student-leadership-in-choir](#)

Glenthorne National Park

Through our continued interest in a number of environmental projects, Seacliff Primary has been one of four schools chosen to participate in the first round of revegetating the Glenthorne National Park. It is in the very early stages of planning, but we are hopeful to develop a long term relationship with one section of the park for many years to come. With the support of **Greening Australia** and support from the **Department of Environment & Water**, our Year 6 students will be amongst the first student in the state to begin our stewardship for a section of this National Park.

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 the program on each of these days can be found as a link on our [Website Calendar](#).

Our rescheduled School Sports Day will now be held over two days! The Junior Primary (R-2) students will participate on Thursday September 10th and the Primary (Year 3-7) students on Friday September 11th. The reason for this change is to reduce the number of spectators on each day and better allow for 1.5m social distancing. We are also restricting spectator numbers to two per family.

Based on Department for Education recommendations we will not be running a barbeque. A special menu will be developed by the canteen for both days and orders can be made through QKR.

The Junior Primary Sports Day concludes at lunchtime so if you wish to take your child home at that time, please sign them out at administration and pass on the sign out slip to your child's teacher.

The program of events for both days will be emailed to families in the week prior to our Sports Days.

Depending on the weather, the Year 3-7 long distance events will be run on Tuesday September 8th from 9.10am. Where possible we are trying to maintain some level of parental involvement in school community activities while remaining mindful of Covid-19 restrictions and advice. We thank you for your understanding.

SUPER SPORTS DAY EXTRAVAGANZA'S!

Team Canteen are here for YOU these Sports Days:

Meal Deals for **students** AND **parents** (will be available to order soon on QKR).

SUPER SPORTS DAY EXTRAVAGANZA'S!

Counter sales all day - Pastries, Wraps, Ham & Cheese Croissants, Drinks, Iceblocks and Treats.

WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE! 😊

2020 Seacliff Primary School Library

Enter our library and be transported to 'Winnie the Pooh, the Hundred Acre Wood.' Enjoy a walk into our forest of trees, leaves and lights.

This timeless classic introduces you to the curious creatures of Winnie and his friends, Tigger, Eeyore, Piglet, Kanga and Roo.'

Written by A.A MILNE, the character Winnie-the-Pooh was named after a teddy bear owned by his son, [Christopher Robin Milne](#), on whom the character [Christopher Robin](#) was based. The rest of Christopher Milne's toys were incorporated into Milne's stories.

Classes enjoy looking at new books, as well as the classics, in our library.

Please encourage your children to read either a book, magazine or even the paper, it opens their minds.



"So please, oh please, we beg, we pray, go throw your TV set away, and in its place you can install a lovely bookshelf on the wall." – Roald Dahl

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." – Dr. Seuss

"If you don't like to read, you haven't found the right book." – J.K. Rowling

"Children are made readers on the laps of their parents." – Emilie Buchwald



OSHC Vacation Care

The next school holidays will soon be upon us, we look forward to seeing many students attend the OSHC Vacation Care. It will be a busy two weeks with lots of fun activities on offer for all ages of students, including some exciting excursions. The deadline for bookings is Friday 18th September. Information, programs and booking forms have been emailed to parents, however feel free to come into OSHC to pick up a hard copy. For information, booking and consent forms go to: [Sept.Oct-2020-OSHC-Vacation-Care-Booking-Consent](#)

Kind regards, Jody Reading, Acting Director
Seacliff Primary School OSHC

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.



Forums for parents and carers of children with disability

Parents and carers of children with disability are invited to attend a range of free online and face-to-face forums during September.

Presentations include:

- [Interoception and an activity booklet for parents to support their children](#) (online webinar)
- [Post School Options](#) (face-to-face workshop)
- [Social Skills](#) (face-to-face workshop)

When: September 2020

Register online at the [SERU website](#).

This free online event for parents is presented by the Disability Policy and Programs team.

Contact: [Special Education Resource Unit](#), phone 8235 2871

LANGUAGES ALIVE!

As part of the government's Languages in Schools initiative, the School of Languages has expanded the across-sector R-7 **Languages Alive!** program. The September/October 2020 program will provide students with interactive language learning opportunities in a range of languages, including Arabic, Auslan, Chinese, French, Italian, Nepali and Spanish.

WHEN? Tuesday 29th September, Tuesday 6th October, Wednesday 7th October, Thursday 8th October and Friday 9th October from 10:00am-3:15pm

WHERE? Metro and regional locations (please see attached flyer)

HOW MUCH?

\$10 per student per day; School Card/Health Care Card Holders: FREE

For tickets go to: www.ticketebo.com.au/languagesalive/

If you have any queries please contact Maribel Coffey, Assistant Principal, School of Languages on 0427270559.

WE'RE TAKING IT IN OUR STRIDE ON FRIDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2020

Well it's that time of year again when our school seriously starts talking about walking!

Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. And although walking all the way to school isn't realistic for many of us, it's quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family's daily routine.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:

- Walking with them the whole way to school
- If they get the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like

obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

Remember, Active Kids are Healthy Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Friday 15 May 2020! For more information, visit www.walk.com.au



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