



Newsletter Term 3

26 September, 2024



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Important Diary Dates:

REMINDER - EARLY DISMISSAL 2:15PM FRIDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

Term 4 commences – Monday 14 October

School Closure Day – Monday 25 November

Pupil Free Day – Tuesday 26 November



From the Principal:

As another busy term comes to an end, the staff and I would like to thank all families for their continued support and wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday break.

Some highlights of the term include:

- Welcoming our first mid-year Reception children
- Camp for our middle primary students and many excursions across the school
- STEM Aboriginal Learners Congress
- Various workshops and incursions for students
- Book Week celebrations
- Festival of Music rehearsals and concert at the Festival Theatre
- Reception to Year 5 Water Safety Week

Staffing News

At the end of this term, we farewell Leah Watkins as she and her family excitedly prepare for the birth of their second child. We are very pleased to welcome Jess Watson back to Seacliff. She will finish the year with Leah's Year 3/4 class along with Cherie Fekete.

Scott Francis will be enjoying some long service leave for the first five weeks of Term 4 and Chanele Litchfield will capably fulfill the Deputy Principal role in his absence. Katrina Corbett will teach Chanele's class during this period (4 days) supported by Jess Watson.

Ella Bird will also be enjoying some leave for the first four weeks of next term, and her Year 5/6 class will be taught by Emily Crabb and Marcelle Thompson during this period.

2025 Class Placement

The Class Placement process will begin next term where staff will work to establish balanced classes and to place all students in a learning environment that will support them to be successful.

To assist this process your child/ren were provided with a 2025 class placement friendship letter this week. We ask that you discuss and complete this form with your child/ren and return **NO LATER** than **FRIDAY 25 OCTOBER** to your child/ren's teacher(s).

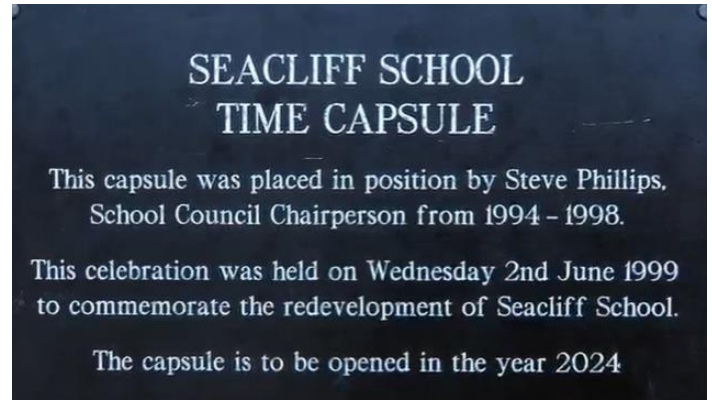


Time Capsule Opening

The time capsule buried in 1999 was opened recently. The contents of the capsule will be on display in the Library this week for all classes and interested families to visit on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

At last week's Assembly more time capsule information was shared with our students – what a time capsule is and why people create them. SRC members also conducted video interviews with students who attended Seacliff Primary school at this time, as well as with the Governing Council Chairperson from then and now.

Special thanks to our Governing Council Chairperson, Petr Pavlik, for his keen photography and video skills as well as Marin Daniell for volunteering her time to scan the many items from the time capsule for archive purposes.



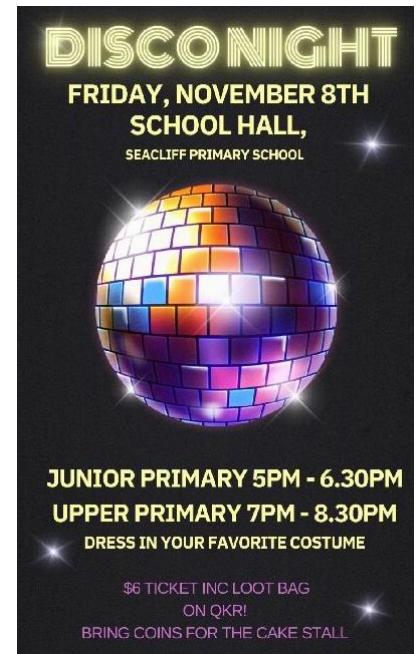
Fundraising Committee

The Fundraising Committee have once more provided opportunities for our students and families this term including a Father's Day stall, parent 'meet and greet' mornings and a further Family Information session facilitated by Shelley Clarke. They are now finalising arrangements for R – 2 and 3 – 6 discos to be held on Friday 8th November. Please save the date in your diary.

If you are able to support the Fundraising Committee with donations of cookies or cakes please notify the Front Office. Thank you.

Enjoy a safe and happy holiday and we look forward to seeing you all in Term 4.

Sue Matene



Change of school clothes for your child

If you are aware that your child has the occasional toileting accident, please provide them with a full change of clothes in their school bag. This will enable them to comfortably and confidently change clothes when an accident does occur.

On the occasion that we provide your child with a change of clothes, please wash and return them to the Front Office as soon as possible. This will enable us to have them available for other students.

Lost Property

We have a huge number of unnamed items in the lost property baskets outside the Front Office.

Please check these baskets before the end of term as any items not claimed will be cleaned and used for emergency clothing or donated to a charity.

Please write your child's name on all belongings (lunch and drink bottles) as well as all items of clothing and hats to ensure they can be returned if lost.



Harndorf Farm Barn excursion

We are excited to share highlights from our recent excursion to the Farm Barn in Hahndorf! The day was filled with learning, laughter and lots of fun as Rooms 17, 1 and 2 explored the wonderful world of farm animals.

The children were greeted by the farmers, who guided us through the different sections of the barn. We met various animals including; sheep, goats, chickens, rabbits, cows and more! The children were fascinated to learn about how these animals live, their diets and the roles they play on the farm. We gathered together for a picnic lunch where students shared stories about their favourite moments of the day.

Some highlights from the day included; milking Daisy the cow, feeding carrots to the goats, feeding the lambs a bottle and touching a snake!

A special thank you to all the parents who helped make this trip possible. The excursion was a fantastic opportunity for students to connect with nature and learn about farm life in a fun and engaging way.



Room 1 learns about money

This term we have been learning about money. We now know how to identify Australian money and add small amounts together. We played money bowling to help us practice adding money together. We had lots of fun!



Room 1 & 2 Father's Day event

Earlier this term, Room 1 and 2 hosted a special Father's Day morning tea to honour our fathers and father figures. Students had the chance to spend quality time with their guests, enjoying organised activities like games, reading together, and a sausage sizzle which was a huge hit.

The event was filled with smiles as fathers and children shared moments through games such as three-legged races, egg-and-spoon races, dominoes, and parachute games. The students took charge of organising the games, sharing equipment, and practising teamwork. Some dads read stories to their children, while others listened as their children read to them.

It was a joyful and memorable morning for both fathers and students. We hope all our guests enjoyed it as much as we did and we thank all those who came along and celebrated the morning with us.



Pushing and pulling in Room 16

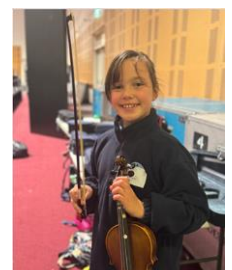
Room 16 have been investigating the forces of push and pull! We've been learning that a 'push' force is when we move an object away from our body, and a 'pull' force is when we move an object toward our body. We've designed and built small catapults made from popsticks and rubber bands to experiment with the push and pull forces. Students had a lot of fun projecting pom poms across the classroom!

We learnt that the force of 'gravity' pulls objects towards the Earth, making them fall at the same rate. We discovered that 'air resistance' pushes against falling objects, which can alter the time it takes for objects to reach the ground. Students designed parachutes, using a range of materials, including newspaper, crepe paper, popsticks, string and masking tape. We tested our parachutes and made modifications to our designs! The experiment was a lot of fun! Here are some of our prototypes!



Skylar performs with the Adelaide Symphony Orchestra's Big Rehearsal program

Skylar was lucky to perform violin with the Adelaide Symphony Orchestra's Big Rehearsal program. Big Rehearsals is an inspiring learning opportunity for students to sit side-by-side with ASO musicians and bring to life music designed to challenge and develop their musicality and orchestral playing skills.



Festival of Music

It was a really fun experience singing different songs to a large audience of our family and friends. We learnt a bit of auslan for choreography of a few songs. It was also really cool to watch and listen to soloists, the orchestra, guest artists and the troupe. We had a big offsite rehearsal at Magic Millions in week 5 where we practiced all the songs with the other schools from our concert. Overall it was a really fun experience.

Adele and Gihana



Have you heard the news?

Muddy Hands Festival is returning these school holidays. Say goodbye to clean clothes and hello a day of messy, outdoor, nature play fun. There'll be wash stations (yes, you'll need them!), food trucks, a calming space for sensory breaks, and plenty of activities away from the mud action for those not so keen on getting grubby.

The best part? The [City of Tea Tree Gully](#) is bringing this event to you FREE! No tickets needed, just roll on up (we suggest with towels and a change of clothes!).

When: Friday 4 October, 10am to 3pm

Where: Golden Fields Reserve, Golden Grove

Our [waterproof onesies](#) will be available to purchase on the day.



Free workshop

2 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

Mawson Lakes, SA



Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to register



This workshop is for parents, full time carers and grandparents.



Wednesday & Thursday
23 & 24 October, 2024
9:30am - 2:30pm



Mawson Lakes Hotel
10 Main Street
MAWSON LAKES SA 5095

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided



Interpreters available upon request

During the workshop you will learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Sensory processing
- Understanding behaviour
- Working together with your child's school.

Learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

For more information or to register visit:
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PLAY AT THE BAY

Radical Reptiles LEGO flowers

Sat 28 Sept – Sun 13 Oct

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