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# Seaford K-7 NEWS

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## NOVEMBER

- 5<sup>th</sup> Music Count Us In – Whole School involvement
- 6<sup>th</sup> Sports Day/Colour Fun Run
- 9<sup>th</sup> Recycling Week
- 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day
- 13<sup>th</sup> Assembly
- 17<sup>th</sup> 2021 Reception Transition Visit
- 18<sup>th</sup> Yr 6 Japanese Garden Excursion
- 19<sup>th</sup> Seaford Secondary Yr 6/7 Transition Night
- 20<sup>th</sup> Pupil Free Day

### Remembrance Day Ceremony



To celebrate Remembrance Day students will be involved in a short ceremony and a minute silence at



11am in commemoration of those who died in the line of duty.

### Recycling Week 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> November

Our emphasis for this year is to reduce the waste in our classrooms so please support this by reducing the amount of waste in your child's packed lunch. SA families spend over \$3.5 million a year on packed lunchtime items. I have noticed that many of our younger students have amazing lunches with very little packaging but as we get further up the school the packaging increases. If your child packs their own lunch support this initiative by purchasing foods that they need to put into reusable containers. Yes, it's a bit more effort but soon it becomes second nature.

Classes will also be making recyclable art with the theme of ROBOTS so you might be asked to contribute some old boxes etc though Dojo.

### 2021 Reception Transition

In the next few weeks we will begin the transition process to welcome our new Reception families for next year. Our Reception teachers will be visiting the kindy to meet and work with students on 10/11 and 11/11. New students will attend school part-time in small groups on 17/11, 18/11 where they will work with the Early Years team and students to familiarise themselves in preparation for next year.

We are looking forward to meeting and welcoming them to our school.

### Sports Day & Colour Fun Run

Just a reminder that on Friday, students need to wear their house colours and have a white or pale shirt for the fun run in the afternoon. Thanks for your assistance with this.

### Reading Celebration!

Well done to all the students who participated in the Premier Reading Challenge. Certificates and medals will be on their way to you shortly.

Certificates were given out earlier this term for those families that read aloud to their children every/or most nights. Thank you for participating and supporting us to raise the standards of reading at school.

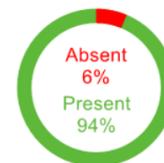
Our recent reading data as a site is showing good improvement in the Phonics Screener to Running Records to PAT Reading assessments. Thank you to all the staff for their hard work in this area of learning. It's great to see the students happy to read.

### Attendance Rate

Our rate has stayed reasonably steady over the last few weeks and we are continuing to remain around the 87% attendance for the year. Keep up the good attendance and let us know of any illness or absence due to family reasons. Thanks, Michelle.



Year to Date (2020)



Previous Week

### Writing Improvement

Parents and carers often ask about how to improve writing at home. The first step is to support good habits with handwriting. Ensure your child has good fine motor skills by asking them to roll plasticine or use tongs to pick up small items and put into a jar. Letter tracing in sand or large chalks are fun for children (and don't make too much mess outdoors).

Next move to letter formation and tracing large letters. Check your child is holding the pencil correctly and is sitting at a table with good posture. You want your child to write for enjoyment and if they can't, as they get tired from poor habits, then they are less likely to record their work at school.

At Seaford K-7 our Junior Primary classes love to create their own books and this can be done at home. It's not about correcting everything they do but helping students to write to be able to show off their creativity and ideas. Pictures are just as important.

Older students can write in journals to express themselves. A great book to get is by Andy Griffiths called *Once Upon A Slime*:

45 Fun Ways To Get Writing Fast. This book contains lots of original ideas guaranteed to inspire writing at home.

## Assembly Awards – Well Done

<b>Kristy</b>	<p><b>I-Shar</b> YCDI Award for <b>Confidence</b> for developing your confidence to express your feelings You should be proud Mason – Well done! YCDI Award for <b>Getting Along</b> for making new friends and learning how to take turns</p>
<b>Jenny, Jess &amp; Mrs Jolly</b>	<p><b>Tiana</b> YCDI Award for <b>Getting Along</b> for being a positive, happy and hardworking member of our class <b>Alison</b> YCDI Award for <b>Getting Along</b> for showing a kind, friendly attitude to her classmates <b>Lillian</b> For demonstrating <b>Responsibility</b> for being a responsible and independent learner <b>Jordan</b> YCDI Award for <b>Confidence</b> for being confident to have a go at writing in bookmaking</p>
<b>Mrs Zammit &amp; Ms Mowat</b>	<p><b>Sophia</b> YCDI Award for <b>Persistence</b> for working hard to improve her reading and handwriting <b>Emma</b> YCDI Award for <b>Success</b> for being a great friend to her classmates</p>
<b>Miss Ray</b>	<p><b>Orlando</b> YCDI Award for <b>Getting Along</b> for a friendly, helpful effort at getting along with others at your new school <b>Eden</b> For demonstrating <b>Success</b> for trying your best to learn your spelling and Zap words <b>Kobe</b> For demonstrating <b>Success</b> for trying hard with your reading and writing and improving your spelling</p>
<b>Mrs Moro</b>	<p><b>Mason</b> YCDI Award for <b>Persistence</b> for increasing his stamina in work time <b>Oscar</b> For demonstrating <b>Success</b> for making awesome improvements in all subject areas! <b>Ricki-Lee</b> YCDI Award for <b>Confidence</b> for gaining more confidence with her writing and speaking in front of the class! <b>Bodhi</b> YCDI Award for <b>Getting Along</b> for getting along and being a great friend to everyone in the class!</p>
<b>Mrs Bracken</b>	<p><b>Ashlee</b> For demonstrating the school value of <b>Success</b> for continuing to pursue a love of reading <b>Wyatt</b> YCDI Award for <b>Resilience</b> for overcoming anxiety to be a character in Book Week and participate with full enthusiasm</p>
<b>Mrs Laxton</b>	<p><b>Zeeke</b> YCDI Award for <b>Getting Along</b> for being a good friend <b>Skyla</b> YCDI Award for <b>Confidence</b> for developing confidence in reading</p>
<b>Mrs Burton &amp; Mr Quirke</b>	<p><b>Kaleb</b> For demonstrating <b>Success</b> by always trying his best to learn new things <b>Maylee</b> For demonstrating <b>Respect, Responsibility &amp; Success</b> for being the best learner she can be</p>
<b>Mr Ratcliff</b>	<p><b>Nate</b> For demonstrating <b>Persistence</b> in Reading <b>Noah</b> For demonstrating <b>Persistence</b> with Maths</p>
<b>Ms Haddy</b>	<p><b>Seth</b> YCDI Award for <b>Success</b> for reading for enjoyment and understanding</p>
<b>Tania Sensei Japanese</b>	<p><b>Year 5/6 Hildebrand's class</b> For demonstrating the school values in <b>Japanese</b> by</p>

	<p>showing an improved attitude towards their learning and having a go at their Japanese work tasks <b>Kaiya</b> YCDI Award for <b>Persistence</b> for always working hard and successfully completing all 10 Japanese alphabet tasks <b>Jason</b> YCDI Award for <b>Persistence</b> for always working hard and successfully completing all 10 Japanese alphabet tasks <b>Carter</b> YCDI Award for <b>Persistence</b> for always working hard and successfully completing all 10 Japanese alphabet tasks <b>Ashlee</b> YCDI Award for <b>Persistence</b> for always working hard and successfully completing all 10 Japanese alphabet tasks</p>
<b>Mr Thimm The Arts</b>	<p><b>Musician of the Week</b> <b>Jordan</b> For demonstrating the school values in <b>The Arts</b> for always willing to support others and being brave when making music <b>Indie</b> For demonstrating the school values in <b>The Arts</b> for demonstrating a great 'you can do it' attitude when playing music and supporting others with their learning</p>

## SRC: Funky Hair Day, Last Day Term 4

Hello Parents and Carers,  
Last day, Funky Hair Day, Go Crazy!!  
On the **11<sup>th</sup> of December** make sure to go bananas.



A gold coin donation for the Heart Kids Foundation.

Here is a message from Ava, one of our students who was born with a congenital heart disease.

"Sometimes they (Heart Kids) have to have a break when they are running. The doctors have to look at your heart. They (heart kids) have to be very brave and strong."

Money raised goes to helping families to stay with their children when they are having their life saving operations, so please remember to bring your donation on the day!

From Stirling and Maylee on behalf of the SRC.

<https://www.heartkids.org.au/get-involved/donate>

## The Smith Family Christmas Appeal

Hi all, *Tis the Season* and this year we have the privilege to give donations The Smith Family (not to be confused with Helen Smith's family, I hear they are all prepared!).

The Smith Family support students with good attendance to reach their potential. They support families with scholarships towards school costs, with the Student to Student reading program, Boys Biz and the Every Girl programs.

In the spirit of the season they are also collecting and sorting donations of new toys and books (please do not donate used / or broken books or toys, no clothing, nothing considered religious or a weapon).

The toys and books will then be organised and popped into baskets to give to families currently on their scholarships who have said they would like to receive one.

We are very happy to help them with this and if you are in a position that you can help by donating a new toy or book then please do so!

We will have a collection point in the Front Office from Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> of November and the final call will be for Monday 7<sup>th</sup> of December as they will collect this day.

Thank you, Michelle.

## Fun Run Fundraising

Hi everyone,

A reminder about fundraising. If you have any cash can it please go to the office in a sealed plastic bag for collection. We still have until Friday to fundraise!

Here are our totals (remember a portion of this goes to the Fun Run company and purchasing the prizes)

Total raised: \$7,557.12

Top student: Aubree \$471.92

Top class: Jenny \$1555.53

Students who have raised money: 86

We will announce the final totals this Friday at Sports Day.

Thanks for your support in fundraising!



## NAIDOC WEEK 8<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> November



NAIDOC originally stood for 'National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee'. It is a time to celebrate Aboriginal & Torres

Strait Islander culture and achievements. It acknowledges that Australia's history did not begin with European settlement.

The theme, **Always Was, Always Will Be** recognises that First Nations people have occupied and cared for this continent for over 65,000 years.

During Weeks 5 & 6 students will have the opportunity to learn about local Kaurna culture, language and the different Indigenous art styles around Australia.

Elaine Bladon (AEW)



## Hats

Please ensure your child has their school hat every day. The hat needs to be named clearly please. If you need to buy a new one please purchase them from the front office for \$10.



## Book Week Parade

It was wonderful to see students and staff dressing up as their favourite book characters for the parade Book Week. Here a few photos of our book lovers!

