

**Dates For Diaries**

Monday October 27 Swim School commences
Tuesday October 28 Kinder Starters
Thursday November 6 1/20 Assembly
Friday November 14 Surf Fun Safe
Monday November 24 Leadership Speeches
Thursday November 27 5/6 Assembly
Wednesday December 17 Year 6 Farewell

Principal's Message

Hello to our wonderful Seaham community and welcome to the start of term four. It has been a challenging week and we continue to have Mr Eagleton and his family in our thoughts. I have shared information on our school facebook page in regards to funeral details and school organisation for Friday, October 17. For those that don't access facebook the funeral will be held at Pettigrew Family Funerals, 7 Murray Dwyer Cct, Mayfield West on Friday October 17, commencing at 2.30pm.

School Organisation - Seaham Public School will be operational Friday with some disruption to normal programs as the majority of our class teachers will be attending, most will take the full day. I would like to send a huge thankyou to relieving Principal at Dungog PS, Mark Gridland who will supply five staff members for the day including Mrs Oldfield who will return and cover my Principal role for the afternoon. Mrs Oldfield knows our routines and her presence is greatly appreciated. Also a huge shout out to relieving Principal Sarah Rudolph and executive member Merri Brady at Irrawang PS who have also offered staff support. Principal Steven Richard at Bolwarra also reached out and offered staff. I can't thank them all enough.

Staff News - This week we welcomed Mrs Kristy Kirkman as our relieving Assistant Principal (K-2) replacing Mrs Oldfield, teaching 1/20 with Mrs Killen. Mrs Kirkman is very highly regarded at Morpeth PS and we are very lucky to have her on staff for the remainder of Term four.

Community PBL - This week we celebrate two wonderful students, Hugo Duncan and Bash Lawrence who are our week one and two recipients of the Community PBL award. Both always uphold our PBL values of being respectful and responsible, setting a wonderful example for others to follow.

Feature Artist - Over the next few weeks we will be showcasing artworks by former Seaham student Neve Redman. Her work has been commissioned for 'Terrace Reflections' for the Port Stephens Council. Her seven part series is titled 'Wildlife in Celebration'. They are completed using watercolour, watercolour pencil and prisma colour pencil. The first in the series is titled 'Twinkle Bat'.

"Through these artworks, I wanted to imagine the bush and waterways as part of our festive gatherings, and to remind people that protecting habitats means our wildlife will always be here" Neve Redman.



Neve Redman - Wildlife in Celebration

Twinkle Bat

Microbat (gulan)

Neve Redman, 2025, Age 12

A golden-furred Microbat swoops through the dusk sky beside branches hung with glowing festive lanterns. Surrounded by sprays of Eucalyptus blossom, it serves as the night-time guardian of the celebration, keeping the festive lights alive in the warm Port Stephens air. Microbats play a vital role in the environment by balancing insect numbers, and here one joins the season directly, showing that even the smallest creatures belong during times of celebration.

Materials: Watercolour, Watercolour pencil, Prismacolor pencil.



Raymond Terrace Community PBL



Hugo Duncan

Hugo is a wonderful school citizen. He has been spotted several times showing care and compassion for others, particularly younger students. Recently he helped calm another student when they were having difficulty regulating their emotions. Hugo is consistently respectful and responsible.



Sebastian Lawrence

Sebastian is a wonderful school citizen who cares about others and sets a wonderful example for others to follow. He consistently follows our school PBL values of being a responsible, respectful learner. He has been spotted recently leading the way in always being in the right place at the right time.



Year 6 Profiles

Mason Bennett

Nickname: Maso

Birthday: 29/12/2012

My favourite colour: Blue

My favourite movie: Happy Gilmore 2

My favourite TV show: Simpsons

My favourite food: Pizza

My favourite animal: Dog

My favourite accessory I couldn't live without: Watch

My favourite school lunch: Chicken Wrap

When I grow up I want to be: Running my own business

The person I look up to (role model): My Dad and Jordan

If I had one wish: To have more wishes

One thing some people may not know about me: I'm half Australian and half Macedonian

My proudest moment at Seaham Public School: Getting PBL Awards and overcoming personal challenges

I am going to Hunter River High School in 2026.

Some of my closest friends have been: Jordy, Ben, Flynn, Cooper, Billy

I will miss: Abel, Toby, Quade



Olive Zahra

Nickname: Olly

Birthday: 21/01/2013

My favourite colour: Green

My favourite movie: Nimona

My favourite TV show: Olive Place: Luxury Inn

My favourite food: Wonton Soup

My favourite animal: Dog

My favourite accessory I couldn't live without: Mobile Phone

My favourite school lunch: (Spicy) Chicken Burger

When I grow up I want to be: Voice Actor, Marine Biologist

The person I look up to (role model): Will Wood

If I had one wish: Make everyone content with their life

One thing some people may not know about me: I LOVE Fondant

My proudest moment at Seaham Public School: I played "Calamari Inkantation" on the governor generals piano

I am going to Hunter River High School in 2026.

Some of my closest friends have been: Laura, Ruby, Florence

I will miss: Mufty Days, the kindies and my friends





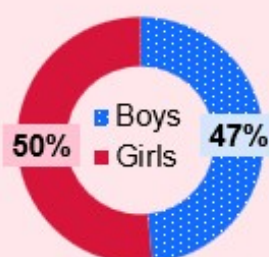
Survey participation

Total responses

78

Gender (%)

Year level (%)



Year 3

8%

Year 4

32%

Year 5

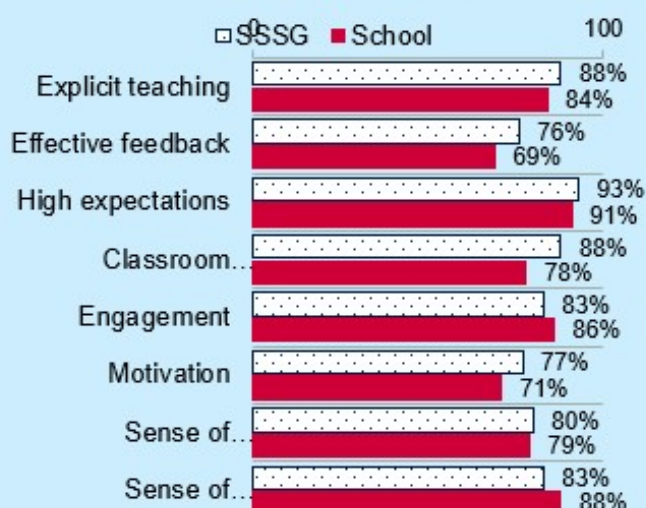
29%

Year 6

31%

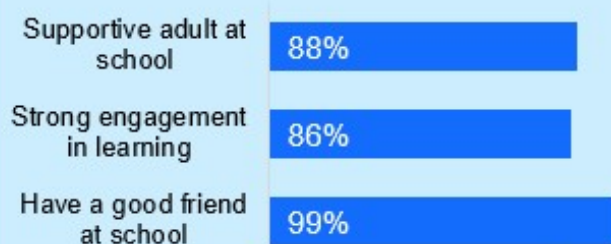
Theme summary

Positive response %



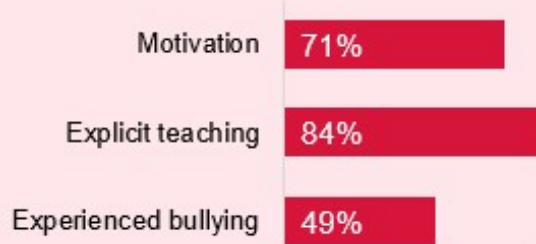
What we can celebrate

Positive response %



What we can work on

Positive response %



What we will do

The NSW Public Schools Survey gives a valuable snapshot on areas to celebrate and work on based on student responses. The areas to work on are identified if our response percentage is below the statistically similar school group (SSSG).

Motivation is influenced by school and classroom practices such as explicit teaching. We will continue to implement explicit teaching which will also increase engagement.

A review of our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) processes including a focus on 'respectful relationships' will support our anti bullying policy.

CANTEEN

CANTEEN OPENING HOURS

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

LUNCH ORDERS - **11:30am - 12:30 pm**

SNACKS - **1:30 - 2PM (OPTIONAL)**

TUESDAY & THURSDAY

SNACKS ONLY - **1:30 - 2PM**

Due to enrolled children's life threatening Anaphylactic Allergic reactions to all nuts and peanut products, we would like to encourage families not to send these products to school. with their children. These include peanut butter, nutella, sesame seeds, loose nuts, muesli, nut or chocolate bars or any products containing any type of nuts. We appreciate your support in this matter.

Our canteen is always needing volunteers. If you have any spare time and would like to help, please log in to **school 24** and follow the prompts.

SCHOOL24

www.school24.net.au

REGISTRATION

Go to: www.school24.net.au

Press the **blue** registration button to create your account. Enter your unique school ID number to help us match your account with your school.

School Name registration ID:: **25376963**

You will then be asked to complete your personal details. Once completed click **Create Account**.

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Minutes lost = days lost per year

A couple of minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss days per year

5 mins
per day



=

3 days

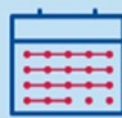


30 mins
per day



=

18 days



Patterns of lateness
can have a serious
impact on your child's
education.

education.nsw.gov.au

SCHOLASTIC

Book Club

Orders Due

31st Oct 2025