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Principal's Message

Hello to our wonderful Seaham community and welcome to week seven. We hope you have had a positive week. It was wonderful to see so many parents, carers and friends at our whole school assembly today. Thank you years five and six for hosting and entertaining us.

<u>Staff News - It was wonderful to catch up with Mr Eagleton</u> yesterday. He looks well and is looking after himself. He will continue to take leave for the remainder of 2025. Classes and staffing are in the process of being finalised for 2026. Hopefully by next week's newsletter I can start to announce staffing for next year. This will also give us the opportunity, before the end of year, to provide some transition for students requiring additional support. Knowing their teacher and class can often set up a positive start to the year.

<u>Fete -</u> Our school fete will be held on Friday, December 12. Some information regarding this event has already gone home. Please keep an eye out for future information, particularly regarding arrangements during normal pick up time on fete day.

<u>Port Stephens Council PBL -</u> The final awards for 2025 are on next Tuesday from 3.30pm at the Port Stephens Council Chambers. Congratulations Brennan Taylor and Darby Phillips on receiving these awards. Both have grown in confidence, leading cultural initiatives and both are wonderful school citizens. Well done.

Dates For Diaries

Wednesday December 10 Presentation Evening

Friday December 12 Colour Run & School Fete

Wednesday December 17 Year 6 Farewell

Friday December 19 Last day Term 4

Tuesday 27 to Friday 30 January 2026 Staff Development Days

Monday February 2 First Day back for Students

Book Club

Orders Due Friday 28th November

Tomorrow!

Share Our Space

Looking for ways to keep your family active and entertained over the summer holidays?

Our school is proud to be part of the NSW Department of Education's **Share Our Space** program, opening our outdoor spaces, **sports fields and playgrounds** for the community to enjoy.

From **Saturday 20 December to Monday 26 January**, everyone is welcome to:

- enjoy a picnic and play time
- kick a ball or shoot some hoops
- walk, run and get active
- let little learners explore their new "big school" spaces

For more information about open times and entry points, visit the **Share Our Space website**.

Please remember to check details before arriving as these may change.



This term in 3/4M, we have been reading 200 Minutes of Danger by Jack Heath. Each chapter introduces us to new characters and some new settings but each chapter is linked to others in the story. We created a detective board to explore these connections.



Lach – I have enjoyed this book because all the chapters connect and each story is suspenseful. I would recommend this book to other kids.

Harper – I have liked this book because in the chapter 'Several Things at Once' Kelsey does acrobatic and saves people. This book is a 5 star read.

Scarlett – I like this book because every single chapter is a different danger and it's fun to read. I would give it 5 stars.

Matilda – I like this book because there is heaps of drama and I like all the new characters that come into the story. I would give this book 5 stars.





Flynn – I have liked this book because it shows people surviving tricky situations. My favourite chapter was when someone was escaping from a container.



Ivy – I have liked the cliffhangers and all the suspense. I would give it 5 stars and recommend it to other kids.

> Elijah Bacon – I love this book because it has a lot of action in it. I would recommend it for other people who have a taste for action.

Port Stephens Council Community PBL Citizenship Awards

Darby Phillips

Darby is a wonderful school citizen who has done an outstanding job as President of the Seaham Junior AECG in 2025. In this role Darby has grown confidence, willing to deliver the Acknowledgement of Country and support initiatives to promote cultural awareness across the school resulting in a 'Deadly Award' nomination. Darby has represented the school as leader at NAIDOC events and has attended all AECG meetings forming great connections with other leaders from other schools. Darby is also an outstanding school citizen, consistently following our Seaham PBL values and achieving her PBL badge in 2025.





Brennan Taylor

Brennan is a wonderful school citizen, consistently upholding Seaham PBL values of being a respectful, responsible learner. He is an active participant in our Junior AECG meetings and has contributed many great ideas for our NAIDOC celebration and cultural days. As Brennan has grown in confidence he willingly delivers Acknowledgement of Country during whole school assemblies and special events. Brennan is an outstanding support for his kindergarten buddy. He always gives up his time and can be seen on most days ensuring his buddy is safe and happy at school.

Dance & Cheer National Championships Melbourne

Last week Addi and Madison competed in the Dance & Cheer National Championships in Melbourne.

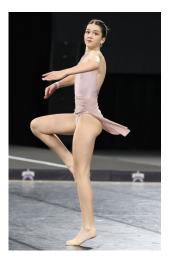
Addi placed 4th out of 10 in her Jazz and 1st out of 9 in her HipHop. For cheer she is in a Mini level 1 team and a youth Level 1 team. No placing for those unfortunately but the teams did amazing.

Madison earned 3rd place in both Pom and Lyrical-Contemporary, 4th place in Jazz, and achieved 5th place in Hip Hop from 12 highly competitive teams. Well done to both Addi & Madison!









Year 6 Profiles

Brylee Dark

Nickname: Bry Bry Birthday: 15/011/2013

My favourite colour: Purple

My favourite movie: Happy Gilmore

My favourite TV show: Shimmer and Shine

My favourite food: Pasta

My favourite animal: Donkeys

My favourite accessory I couldn't live without: Jewellery

My favourite school lunch: Chicken tenders
When I grow up I want to be: Botox Injector

The person I look up to (role model): Mum

If I had one wish: Mr Bennett to get singing lessons

One thing some people may not know about me: I do dance

My proudest moment at Seaham Public School: Getting school Vice Captain

I am going to St Peters in 2026.

Some of my closest friends have been: Scarlet, Sophie, Indi, Cailin, Darby, Laura, Ruby

I will miss: Mr Bennett's messy classroom and Miss Soper's hugs

Benjamin Stapleton

Nickname: Ben

Birthday: 23/02/2013

My favourite colour: None

My favourite movie: Happy Gilmore 2 My favourite TV show: Squid Game My favourite food: Mint Ice Cream

My favourite animal: Dog

My favourite accessory I couldn't live without:

My favourite school lunch: Lunch order

When I grow up I want to be: Alive

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

If I had one wish: Unlimited Money

One thing some people may not know about me: My middle name

My proudest moment at Seaham Public School: PSSA Soccer

I am going to Hunter River High School in 2026.

Some of my closest friends have been: Zeke

I will miss: Handball





Year 6 Profiles continued

Ruby Kete

Nickname: Ruby Duby Birthday: 24/10/2013

 $My \ favourite \ colour: Light \ Blue \\$

My favourite movie: Happy Gilmore

My favourite TV show: Alice in Borderland

My favourite food: Sushi

My favourite animal: Cheetah

My favourite accessory I couldn't live without: Earrings

My favourite school lunch: Pasta

When I grow up I want to be: An Olympic athlete

The person I look up to (role model): Sydney McLaughlin

If I had one wish: To save sick children

One thing some people may not know about me: I go for the New Zealand Warriors

My proudest moment at Seaham Public School: Getting school Captain

I am going to Hunter Sports High in 2026.

Some of my closest friends have been: Laura, Brylee, Olive, Lexi

I will miss: All of my friends

Local Christmas Carols

Lighting of the Christmas Tree

Friday 5th Dec - 5pm to 9pm

The Rectory, Raymond Terrace

Carols in Longworth Park

Thursday 11 Dec - 6pm to 8.30pm

Longworth Park, Karuah

Seaham Carols

Saturday 13th Dec - 5pm to 9pm

Seaham Park, Seaham

Carols Under the Stars

Sunday 14th Dec - 5pm to 9.30pm Gateway Presbyterian, Anna Bay

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Carols at the Bay

Carols on the Green

Saturday 13th Dec - 5pm

Fly Point Park, Nelson Bay

Sunday 7th Dec - 5pm to 9.30pm

Tilligerry RSL, Tanilba Bay

Medowie Community Carols

Saturday 13th Dec - 2pm to 8pm

Ferodale Sports Complex, Medowie







School Fete Information - Friday December 12 at 3pm

Our School Fete is held every 2nd year and is a major fundraiser for our school. A few year ago, we also hosted a COLOUR RUN here at Seaham, and not only was this a really fun event, it also raised a lot of money for us. Great news - we're combining both to finish off the year with a bang! Details are outlined below and are also on School24.

Funds raised by these events go straight back into our school to purchase items such as books, laptops, playground equipment, toys and other resources to make your child's school a better place for everyone.

How can you help?

- * All classes and students are being asked to kindly donate some items for our upcoming school fete. Please give your donations to either your class teacher or to our office staff.
- * We will also need a small number of parent/carer volunteers to take turns to help run activities and take payments on rostered shifts. We are hoping to have helpers assist in 30 minute time slots. Students in Years 5 & 6 will also be assisting.
- * Be aware the Colour Run is on at 2pm for Seaham students only. It is not a free event. It will be on School24 app as an event and families can make a \$10 payment at any time prior to the day. This includes a pair of sunglasses issued on the day. Your child is to wear/bring a white shirt so that once they have a light spray of water, they can run through clouds of powder paint, and this will turn their white shirt into a colourful keepsake.
- * Communicate with the school about your arrangements from 3pm onwards is your child attending the fete, and who will be the adults supervising your children? 'Sentral' will have the consent form for you to complete closer to the date of the Fete.
- * Raffle tickets will be sent home for students to sell or buy. There are some great prizes up for grabs. Thankyou to those business who have donated towards these prizes.

Parents & Carers of 1/20, 1/2S & KR

Infants classes will be in charge of the Cake Stall, please consider baking a cake, slice, or cupcakes - or donating bagged lollies or chocolate goodies, if larger bags are donated please do so early enough to allow time to separate and bag them.

Please note that nuts and some other food items like eggs are always an allergy risk, so <u>please label/list all the ingredients</u> so that buyers can make a safe choice. Please label your containers so we can return them quickly.

Cakes, slices and cupcakes can be dropped off the morning of Fete Day.

Infants are also encouraged to support the Book Stall. Please consider buying a book to donate or donating unwanted books in great condition. Books that suit all age groups will be gratefully accepted.







Parents & Carers of 3/4B & 3/4M

These classes will be in charge of the Glam Station. Our P&C have already purchased items needed for the stall. A few more tattoos would be good though. We have many fun games and would love donations of small and large chocolate bars. Please send these

donation in by Friday 5th of December.





School Fete Information - Friday December 12 at 3pm

Parents & Carers of 5/6B & 5/6E

Our classes will be in charge of small games and the always popular "Soda Spiders" Donations of lollies and other sweet treats are very welcome.

We also need vanilla ice cream and bottles of creaming soda for the "Spiders" If these items could be brought in before the 5th of December so we can get organised in advance, that would be fantastic.



Please note that most students in Years 5 & 6 are responsible for helping run an activity or stall for a 30 minute time slot.

Mr Bennett rill share a draft roster for students to assign themselves to help with a certain activity and an exact time slot in the next few weeks. Students should have a talk with their friends about what activity they're prefer to help with, please,

Thank you in advance to the students from this group for helping to make our Fete fun and a success!



Parent & Carer Volunteers.

If you are interested in helping with one of our stalls please complete the below slip or call our office with your preferences. Thankyou!

PARENT/CARER VOLUNTEER SLIP I am willing to help with sales at a stall eg cakes, books Yes No I am willing to help with the BBQ if needed Yes No My name is My Child/Children are My preferred time slot is: 3pm 3.30pm4pm4.30pm5pm I can be flexible with what time slot I help with Yes No Anything else we should know?....

A draft roster will be made and a note will be sent home that confirms your activity and time slot to assist with. On behalf of your child and their school, thank you for your help.

Neve Redman - Wildlife in Celebration

Wallaby's Woolly Jumper

Wallaby (bulgun)

Neve Redman, 2025, Age 12

The Wallaby has chosen a striped, red-and-white Christmas jumper and stands tall among golden Banksia blooms. Ready to greet holiday visitors, it shares in the season's joy as though welcoming guests to its own bushland home. Wallabies are a familiar part of Port Stephens, and this work reminds us that keeping Banksias and other native plants thriving ensures these neighbours remain part of both every day and festive life.

Materials: Watercolour, Watercolour pencil, Prismacolor pencil.



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.



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