Dear Families,

Thank you for your support and partnership in ensuring our students are in uniform and at school on time. This provides a fantastic foundation for their learning.

Mr Tim Imeson, who undertook a student placement with us in Term 2, has won a scholarship with DECD and as a result has been placed permanently at SSC. Tim’s expertise in Digital Technology will support us to continue to build programs in Design and Technology at SSC.

We have advertised 9 ongoing teaching and will enable permanent teaching positions at SSC from 2015.

JAPANESE STUDENTS
We were fortunate to have 20 students from Kyoto Japan stay with families and attend school at SSC for two weeks. We have been really pleased with our community response to hosting our students and to the staff who have opened their classrooms to the students. Our Welcome assembly was particularly moving as each of the students from Kyoto said a message to our students in Japanese. Early indications reflect that this program will continue. Congratulations to Adam Pearce and the International team.

HAPPINESS CYCLE
I had the opportunity to go to the Noarlunga Leisure Centre to see our students (approximately 50) receive, assemble and ride their new bicycle. What impressed me most about our students was that they supported each other in every way - some even helped others
From the Principal CONTINUED

students assemble their bikes before they started their own. We were lucky enough to have some of our students from the unit participate too.

I spoke to the organizer of the event who praised the organization of Mr Ben Hardy for managing to get the most students from any school, at the event. He was also impressed with the behaviour, respect and support of our students. They were so appreciative too! I just hope our bike enclosure is big enough for the potential influx of bike riders to school on Monday morning :).  

A BRAND NEW LOGO
Approval for our new logo has now been given and we have commenced the rebranding process.

We are in the final stages of designing the main school sign, organizing two electronic signs, bus branding and maps in the school.

MATHS CHALLENGE
It has been fantastic to be in the library at lunch times this week to watch our House teams solve Maths problems. The determination, collaboration and commitment of each competitor has been really impressive. Each day we have had parents and students watching and supporting too.

Congratulations and thank you to Ms Lauren Scarfe for her coordination and to our fantastic Maths Learning Area Team for supporting, visioning and marking.

OPEN CLASSROOM
Congratulations to Mr Matt Freeman and his students who shared their IT lesson with 10 early career teachers from around South Australia, today. This session was then followed by a post observation discussion and question and answer session. The DECD representative from Work Force Development spoke to Andrew and I this afternoon and was extremely impressed with Matt’s pedagogy, creativity and expertise.

I had the pleasure of sitting in on Mrs Sandra Greenan’s Open Classroom presentation on Friday afternoon. Despite the timing (last lesson Friday) the teachers, DECD personnel and I were really impressed with Sandra’s lesson. We had the opportunity to engage in an English class that centred upon the Learner Profiles as a vehicle for text and character analysis. Sandra’s presentation was engaging, interesting and showcased a repertoire of pedagogical skills. Congratulations Matt and Sandra!

MATHS CHALLENGE

DECD STRATEGIC PLAN 2014 -2017
NEW PLAN TO GUIDE OUR SCHOOLS
Helping young South Australians to achieve their best and to be healthy and safe are the priorities of our department’s new strategic plan.

The Department for Education and Child Development’s Strategic Plan 2014-2017 outlines how we will make our public education system even stronger over the next four years.

The plan identifies six priority areas that seek to improve learning achievement, health and wellbeing, child safety, community engagement and timely access to services.

Our Chief Executive Tony Harrison says: “Our immediate priority is to lift the standard of service provided within our organisation and to the community.

“We will strive for excellence, to earn trust, to build and strengthen relationships – especially with children and young people, their parents, carers and the community.

“We will involve communities in decisions that affect them. Above all, we will listen”.

Our school looks forward to working with you as we bring this new plan to life. For more information, visit www.decd.sa.gov.au/strategicplan.

CANBERRA TRIP – ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SUPPORT
A group of 37 Year 9 and 10 students have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy (as you would have seen the wonderful pictures and article in our last newsletter).

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed funding of $60 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

This rebate meant the cost of our Canberra Trip was kept to $520.00 for our students and Seaford Secondary College would like to acknowledge the government’s generous contribution in supporting and subsidising this valuable learning experience for our students.

Stephanie Johnston, Head of Humanities

UNIVERSITY APPLICATION FOR 2015
I am holding information and support sessions for any Year 12 students wishing to apply for University entrance for 2015. South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre (SATAC) is open for Applications as of now and will close for most courses on Tues September 30 2014. I will hold sessions for any students wishing to apply each Friday at lunch in S03. Students are able to apply from home if they wish. The cost for making the application is $26.00. Please contact me at school on 8327 2222 with any questions you have re this process.

Anne Russell, Senior School Counsellor
Term 3 is an extremely busy and important time for both staff and students leading up to subject selection in Week 5. It was great to see 2 groups of enthusiastic and supportive parents attend the SACE/VET/Careers Info night on Tuesday 5th August. It was my pleasure to speak about Careers and update parents and students on what support is available for them at Seaford Secondary College. This included:

- **Career Resource Packs**
  - now in all Year 9, 10 & 11 Care Group Rooms to use in Care Group & PFP for career exploration.
  - Please visit [www.scce.com.au](http://www.scce.com.au) to ask for a scholarship kit, or for more information.

- **Southern Futures Career Forum**
  - Tuesday 12th August at South Adelaide Football Club. All Year 9’s attending during the day, others encouraged to attend the evening session from 5.30pm-7.45pm.

- **‘Find Out About Careers’**
  - via school Moodle. Parents have guest access to a range of useful career resources to explore from home.

### CAREERS UPDATE

#### Curriculum Handbook
This can be accessed via the school’s Moodle. Please familiarise yourself with subjects on offer for next year and contact the school if you need support with this.

#### Coaching Young People For Success
- We have several qualified staff members who are offering students who need some extra career guidance a 1:1 Coaching Session. Contact Denise if this applies to you son/daughter.

#### PACTS Workshops
The workshops have been highly successful and are continuing on a needs basis. Please contact Denise if you are interested in attending a 2 hour ‘Express Workshop’ which will cover topics such as; changes to education, what all the acronyms mean, what is career and options available post-school.

If you would like to discuss anything Careers-related please don’t hesitate to contact me on 0429 439 011

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### POSITIVE PARTNERSHIPS

Many people love to write, however some desire to develop their writing skills and potential further. If you are interested in creative writing, you are welcome to attend a workshop at the Seaford Secondary College during our Numeracy/Literacy Week (25 – 29 August).

It could involve sharing our writing or discovering new ways of tackling that long-thought of story or novel.

If you are interested or would like more information, please ring me or email [Paulene.Angus@seafordhs.sa.edu.au](mailto:Paulene.Angus@seafordhs.sa.edu.au) and include two timeslots during that week when you would be free.

**Paulene Angus, Literacy Coach**

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### SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDYING IN FRANCE, ITALY OR GERMANY!

Southern Cross Cultural Exchange are offering scholarships to current Year 9, 10, 11 and 12 students to study in either France, Italy or Germany.

- Year 9 scholarship is valued at $4475 and is from January-June 2015
- Year 10 scholarship is valued at $3950 and is from November 2014-January 2015
- Year 11/12 scholarship is valued at $3925 and is from December 2014 to January 2015.

Scholarship is based on 50% of full program fee and includes:

- Return flights to destination country on Singapore Airlines
- Domestic transportation in host country and Australia
- Selected host family
- Attendance at overseas local school
- Full 24/7 support in host country
- S.C.C.E professional support
- Fully comprehensive insurance cover

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### FREE two day workshop and information sessions for parents/carers of school age students on the autism spectrum.

**A WRITERS’ WORKSHOP**

**WORKSHOP DETAILS:**

**Venue:** Jimmy Deane’s Entertainment 1 Lovelock Drive, Noarlunga Downs SA 5168

**When:** Two Day Workshop – Tuesday 26 and Wednesday 27 August 2014

Day 1: 9:00am – 4:30pm
Day 2: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Online registrations preferred

**FROM THE SMITH FAMILY**

The Seaford Learning Club started off the term with both new students and new tutors involved. Two social work students who are doing their placements with The Smith Family have jumped in to help with tutoring the students and providing a great deal of expertise to the growing Learning Club.

If your son or daughter could benefit from a bit of extra help with their homework or developing their reading and writing skills, the Learning Club is run on Wednesday from 2 – 3pm, please contact Karl Melvin at The Smith Family on 8382 7619 or email karl.melvin@thesmithfamily.com.au, if you are interested in having your child attend.

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**Denise Luker, Career & Community Partnerships**
DOMO ARIGATO KYOTO!

It’s 4:00am on Sunday 3rd August. It’s cold. Extremely cold. I can’t help but feel a little sorry for the 19 Japanese students from Kyoto, their escort tour Teacher Kie Nakai, and the two teachers from the Kyoto Board of Education- Yasuko Sato and Tomoko Matano arriving here after leaving the terribly humid summer weather of Japan. As I enter the airport I spot Mr Fry also waiting, and shortly after a quick double shot latte, the students walk into the arrivals area at 5:30am. They are bleary eyed, exhausted and have little idea of the adventure to come.

We board the bus, and head to school where Ms Green has had bacon and eggs cooking for our fantastic 20 host families since 7:00am. Formalities are made, and at around 8:00am, the students and their newly acquainted hosts leave for the place that they will call home for the next two weeks.

Seaford Secondary College are extremely proud to have had the opportunity to host these 19 amazing students from across Kyoto. In the two weeks they have been with us, they have crammed in as many Australian and ‘Adelaidian’ experiences that we could muster. On Thursday 7th August, they went on an excursion to the city, Central Market, Museum and Rundle Mall with their buddies (host family and volunteer students from across the school). On Tuesday 12th they visited Flinders University and participated in a Robotics and Marine Biology class, and on Thursday 14th they ventured to Cleland Wildlife Park to fulfil that life-long dream of holding a Koala. They have also managed to cook an Aussie BBQ (sampling some fine Kangaroo steaks), play beach cricket, learn to kick a footy, research Aussie culture and icons, cook ANZAC biscuits and participate in a range of lessons including HPE, Chemistry, Physics, Multimedia Studies, Health, Music, Drama, Design, Food and Nutrition and Volleyball. One of the highlights for some of our lucky students was to have the Kyoto students come into our Japanese classes, where they could practice their Japanese and talk about the similarities and differences in our cultures. Many friendships have been made, and most will last for years to come.

Two fantastic teachers supported the Japanese students throughout their journey: Ms Lewis and Mr Kirk. I would like to sincerely thank Ms Lewis and Mr Kirk for their ESL lessons and providing the students with these fantastic cultural learning experiences. I would also like to thank the amazing staff that hosted the students in their class and gave them a taste of our schooling system and curriculum. All of the students told me how much they enjoyed each of the classes, and how friendly the staff and students of our school are.

Perhaps the most humbling and proud part of this Study Tour for myself are the amazing ‘buddies’ for these students. The buddies were each assigned a Japanese student to socialise with during lesson breaks, take them to their classes, and make them feel comfortable at our school. Some buddies were the host families of the students, while others were keen students that wanted to help out a fellow student and support them during their stay. They all did an amazing job, encouraging and developing the students with their English proficiency, and providing them with a true friend in what can be a very nervous and lonely time for any International Student. I would like to personally say a huge “Arigato Gozaimashita” to our amazing buddies Tessa, Natalia, Sophia, Summa and Stacey from C08, Taylor from C07, Patrick from D04, Jaycob from B19, Sam, Sarah, Jazmin, Laura and Matt from 1001, Isabella from 1002, Tori from 1004, Brooke from 1005, Kaylen, Jazzy and Courtney from 1006, William from 1106, Claire from 1201 and Jasmine from 1202.

These students have been fantastic ambassadors for our school and made some really good friends... really appreciate everything you all have done to make their trip unforgettable!
Domo Arigato Kyoto! continued

To the incredible host families who have very kindly opened up their home for these students, thank you all very much. Each of the students mentioned how hospitable you all were, and how much fun they had in your care- special mention to the amazing teachers who also hosted a student!!

I would also like to recognise the incredible work of our amazing International team here at Seaford Secondary College: Mrs Sandra Greenan, Miss Hannah Webb and Mr Matt Fry who have worked extremely hard behind the scenes to make this a most successful trip. Thank you all very much as well.

Having the Japanese students here has been a fantastic experience for our staff, students and community. The benefits of Intercultural understanding and establishing connections among a global community underpin our beliefs as an International Baccalaureate school. Through these experiences students learn to understand and appreciate different cultures, as well as their own. They see the world as connected and accessible, culturally diverse yet intrinsically the same.

The opportunities to host an International student, or even be one, will continue to arise here at Seaford Secondary College. I would like to encourage any student who is curious about becoming an International student and studying abroad to give it a go. Who knows… you might make 30 new Facebook friends, and learn a little about yourself and the world too.

Arigato.

Mr Pearce
International Program Coordinator

OUR AMAZING JAPANESE STUDENTS FROM KYOTO:
Wataru Harada, Momoyama High School
Taishi Morita, Nishiotsu High School
Rei Tatsumi, Sagano High School
Kumi Nagatani, Kizu High School
Miki Tsuboi, Nanjo High School
Momiji Nonogaki, Ayabe High School
Rina Tsuruta, Kohyo High School
Asami Yamamoto, Rakuhoku High School
Hinako Tomita, Todoh High School
Nanami Nishikawa, Jyonannryo High School
Ryoko Mitsuhashi, Sagano High School
Erika Ozawa, Nanjo High School
Yuika Yoneda, Fukuchiya High School
Hinata Tsuruo, Kameoka High School
Mayuka Noguchi, Momoyama High School
Tomoe Ito, Sagano High School
Haruka Nakatsuji, Joyo High School
Hatsune Mita, Mineyama High School
Kazuki Morimoto, Higashimalzuru High School

This is a report from a young man, Wataru Harada of Momoyama High School.

“It took for a day to arrive at Australia. I was nervous because this is the first time to visit abroad. But, more than I expected, Australia is very interesting. We have done a lot, Aussie BBQ, go to the Adelaide City, throw boomerangs, play cricket and Australian Football, go to a beautiful beach and so on. We are also going to the Cleland Wildlife Park. I’m very looking forward to going to the park.”

These are some excerpts from some of the other students describing their experiences with their host families.

I went to Glenelg Beach. I went with my host family and my Japanese friend, Rei. It was a very beautiful view. After that we ate fish and chips and strawberry ice cream.

Wataru Harada
Momoyama High School

I went to a beach with my host family. I saw three dolphins. It’s so beautiful. I played cricket on the sand. I bowled and batted and I also caught Jacob out.

Kazuki Morimoto
Higashi Maizuru High School

I have visited Victor Harbor and I saw a lot of animals. I ate a big hamburger. It tasted nice.

Tomita Himako
Todoh High School

I have visited the Big Rocking Horse and the Toy Factory with my host mother on Saturday. It was really big and the small horse was cute. I took some pictures of them. After that we had a picnic. We also have visited the chocolate factory.

Asami Yamamoto
Rakuhoku High School

Domo Arigato Kyoto!
On Saturday night I went to the footy with my host father and his friend. The stadium was filled with a lot of people. I ate a meat pie and a hot dog. The game was very exciting. The Power lost the game but I was glad to see Australian Rules Football. They call it footy.

Rei Tatsumi
Sagano High School

Victor Harbor Beach is very beautiful and I think I want to swim in the beach, but it is very cold. Oh my gosh!!!!

Taishi Morita
Nishiotokuni High School

I have visited Cleland Wildlife Park. I saw a lot of animals. For example, kangaroo, emu, wombat and more. I fed the kangaroos and I touched the koala. They were very cute! I wound the snake around my neck. I was a little scared but it became a good experience for me.

Tomoe Ito
Sagano High School

I have visited the Central Market. I saw a lot of vegetables. There were many people. I walked with my buddy and Mayuka and her buddy. We chose gifts for our families.

Yuika Yoneda
Fukuchiyama High School

On the weekend my family took me to the Cleland Wildlife Park. I met a dingo at first. I gave the dingo some food. I touched a koala. His name is Jozi. He is very soft and cute.

Erika Ozawa
Nanyo High School

I have visited Victor harbor and I saw the old train. I ate fish and chips. I watched many penguins.

Momiji Nonogaki
Ayabe High School

I went to the Cleland Wildlife Park. There were a lot of kangaroos. They were very pretty. I fed them. I also touched a koala. I bought souvenirs for my family and my host family bought me souvenirs, so I was very happy. Then I went to Victor Harbor and I rode the tram. That view was good. I enjoyed this weekend.

Ryoko Mitsuhashi
Sagano High School

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8/9 BOYS KO FOOTBALL

During Week 9 Term 3, the Year 8/9 Boys competed in the second round of the state KO Football competition. Unlike the first round, the squad was much smaller due to player injuries and sickness, but as always the boys played with outstanding Seaford spirit.

The boys were very competitive against Reynella East and although they lost 10.5 to 2.4, the scoreboard did not reflect the game. They had the same amount of forward 50 entrances and the boys gave their best efforts attacking the body and ball, but Reynella had better finishing skills in front of goal.

As Brighton had lost to Reynella East earlier in the day, Seaford’s second match was a dead-rubber. The boys played a less-accountable, free flowing game however this tactic was unsuccessful. After being 8 goals down at half time, the boys responded and dominated most of the 3rd and 4th quarters.

I could not be prouder with their efforts against Tatachilla, Cardijn, Reynella East and Brighton. All the boys contributed to the team and played with outstanding skill level and excellent sportsmanship. Boys who particularly excelled over the 2 matches were Bailey (BO9), Bryce (DO8), Daniel (CO8), Jacob (BO9) and Kyle (CO9).

Opposition coaches commended our players post match and spoke to them about how impressive their commitment and teamwork was.

Thank you to Matt Freeman and Anthony Kendrick for driving the bus and supporting the players.

Craig Ottaway, Football Coach

ETEAM

Our school’s ETeam has been asked to take part in one of the Student Meet Up sessions at the forthcoming ACEC 2014 National Conference at the Adelaide Convention Centre on October 1st. This conference showcases the latest trends with computers in education for teachers. Student Meet ups are part of an important ‘Unconference’ strand and area in the conference. This informal area aims to provide delegates with opportunities to network and listen to teacher and student voices, so that we can share good practices, as well as present the sorts of activities that we have been doing as members of the ETeam.

This is an exciting opportunity for our student ETeam, and we are pleased to be invited to present to such a professional audience of teachers and students.

Jennie Fraser, Digital Pedagogy

Knowing Your Teenager

All Parents, Guardians and Carers

- Is your child about to enter High School?
- Do you wonder what it means to be a “modern teenager”?

If so, we invite you to a “FREE” Community Seminar to find out more.

Date: Wednesday 27th August 2014
Time: 5.45pm for a 6.00pm start – 7.30pm
Venue: Morphett Vale Primary School (Lawrence St, Morphett Vale)

This informative and fun evening will also include entertainment (provided by entertainer and local identity NANCY BATES) and dinner will be provided for all attending including the children accessing the creche service on the night.

Limited places. Bookings are essential.

RSVP by Wed 20th August: Julie Beckman - 81865064 (incl. creche numbers)

“Priority will be given to families living within the City of Onkaparinga”