Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I would firstly like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as your new school Principal, appointed for Term 1 2016. Some of you would know that I have had a long association with the Seaford Community since I was appointed as Deputy Principal to the school in 2005, and I thoroughly enjoyed working with staff and the Seaford community at the time. After seven productive years it was a very difficult decision to leave the school for another appointment, but I am now really excited to have the opportunity to return.

I have been Deputy Principal, for 15 years in total, of four different schools and was fortunate enough to be Acting Principal here for a year in 2008. I really enjoyed the role and I am very thankful for another opportunity to continue to lead the school forward.

Working in whole school leadership for many years has taught me how much work needs to go into setting up a school for a new school year, and from what I have seen in the last couple of weeks, this has been achieved to a high standard at Seaford Secondary College; thus I would like to thank and acknowledge former Principal, Ms Cezanne Green and her leadership team, for their hard work in preparing the school for a smooth start to 2016.

I would also like to acknowledge the years of hard work that has made this school what it is today. I would like to assure you all that it is my firm intention to work with the whole school community, students, teachers and families, to keep that development and improvement going in the same direction that has already been established.

I am very much looking forward to meeting with as many parents and caregivers as possible in my role as Principal and appreciate how important your support and ideas are to the success of your children and the school as a whole. Your school has a strong and energetic team of leaders who welcome your involvement and queries as the opportunities arise.

Harry Stassinopoulos
MINISTERIAL VISIT – MUSIC FOCUS SCHOOL

Seaford Secondary College was thrilled to host the Honourable Susan Close, Minister for Education & Child Development, Chris Picton, Member for Kaurna and Katrine Hildyard, Member for Reynell to announce Seaford Secondary College’s successful application to become a Specialist Music Focus School. The Minister, our local MPs and members of our governing council were treated to performances by our Year 12 music class and The Recorder Concert of South Australia Ensemble as part of this exciting announcement. Channel 7 News featured a story of our school and students. Log onto our school Facebook page to watch the full feature clip.

Seaford Secondary College will become a Music Focus school from term 2; our school is one of 8 across South Australia that will have a Specialist Music Focus Program. Lessons in a greater range of instruments will be available. Seaford Secondary College will become a hub for music in the southern region, we will host students from our local schools to learn, which will provide the establishment of partnership ensembles and more performance opportunities.

An information evening and application process will feature during early term 2.

To register your child’s interest for this exciting program please contact Ms Amy Whyte at the school on 8327 5200.

Ms Whyte, Head of The Arts

OPEN DAY EARLY DISMISSAL

In support of Seaford Secondary College’s 2016 Open Day, students will be dismissed on Friday the 18th of March at 2:12pm. We welcome parents to visit our school Open Day on Sunday the 20th of March from 2:00pm to 4:00pm.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Providing timely and relevant feedback about student progress is an integral part of our communication and developing an educational partnership with parents and caregivers of students at Seaford Secondary College. We are currently reviewing our process for Parent Teacher interviews and would appreciate your feedback by completing a short survey which can be found at the following link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SSCPTInterviews or by contacting Anthony Kendrick at the school on 8327 5200.

Mr Anthony Kendrick

YEAR 8 IMMUNISATIONS

Immunisation consent forms have been sent home with Year 8 students.

All students are required to return completed forms with consent, or non-consent, ticked and signed in the relevant box.

If you have not received this form, or have any queries, please contact Ms Deb O’Connor on 8327 5200.

Dates for immunisations are as follows:

- 17th May
- 26th July
- 29th November

Ms Amy Whyte
STUDENT LEADERSHIP AT SEAORD SECONDARY COLLEGE

A huge congratulations to our inaugural Seaford Secondary College School Captains, Sarah and Jordan (pictured). They bring to our team high level communication and leadership skills as well as infectious enthusiasm! Sarah and Jordan will work closely within our SRC Executive team consisting of recently endorsed House and Vice Captains. Our House Captains are Year 11 students and the Vice Captains are from Year 9.

Congratulations to the following students who will be excellent ambassadors and leaders within their house:

NASHWAUK
- Nathan and Deanna – House Captains
- Toby and Isobel – Vice Captains

TINGARA
- Josh and Lauren – House Captains
- Coby and Hayley – Vice Captains

TIGRESS
- Mackenzie and Stacey – House Captains
- Daniel and Chloe – Vice Captains

BOON BOONA
- Ewan and Blaze – House Captains
- Grace and Rheana – Vice Captains

This team is approachable and great listeners so please seek them out with any ideas.

At the time of printing, class representatives are being finalised so stay tuned for news about this in our next newsletter! Nashwauk House is scheduled to ‘raise awareness’ for this term so listen out for information in the bulletin and around school.

Stephanie Johnston, Student Leadership Coordinator

BIG ARVO

Year 12 students had the opportunity to take part in a Year 12 Orientation Day at Moana Surf Life Saving Club on Wednesday, 10th February to prepare them for their final year of SACE. Guest presenter and former student, Scott White, shared his personal story in building a successful business since leaving high school. An opportunity to vote in some ‘pop up’ sessions was also successful. Students enjoyed a sausage sizzle and some team building activities on the beach. What a great way for our Year 12s to start this really important year. Special thanks to Ms Ruth Veale for her hard work in making this such a success and to the organising team comprising our Year 12 House Leaders, Senior School leaders, care group teachers and other staff who supported on the day.

Steph Johnston & Jen Griffin
Senior School Leaders

UNIFORM SHOP OPENS

Opening hours are Tuesday 8:30am-11:00am and Thursday 2:00-3:30pm. Our second hand rack is always growing. Do you have any quality uniform that you child has grown out of or no longer wears? Does it feature the new Seaford Secondary College Logo? Please contact Ms Bek Dominy for uniform that can be sold to our families through the second hand rack.

Amy White, Head of House - Tingara

SEAFORD SECONDARY COLLEGE FACEBOOK PAGE

2016 has seen the launch of the Seaford Secondary College’s Facebook page. Like our page, keep in touch and up to date. Follow our students learning journeys, upcoming events and success stories.

Amy White, Head of House - Tingara
We welcome four International Exchange students who are currently studying at Seaford Secondary College. We hope they enjoy their time with us and add to the International programme offered at Seaford Secondary College in 2016.

We asked Rafael, Hitomi, Takumi and Thirachat a couple of questions about studying in Australia, this is some of their responses:

**WHY DID YOU CHOOSE TO COME TO AUSTRALIA?**

I chose to come to Australia because I love the warm weather and the beaches here. Australia is a country where not many people from Europe go on holidays because it is too far away that is why I took the chance to study here in a country I’ve never been to. The main reason why I came here is to enhance my English skills.

Rafael Roethlin – Bregenz, Austria

I like the beaches, the wildlife, the weather, the friendly people and the high school system is the best about Australia.

Rafael Roethlin – Bregenz, Austria

I wanted to live abroad, to learn English and to learn about Aboriginal culture.

Hitomi Sasamori – Japan

**WHAT DO YOU LIKE BEST ABOUT AUSTRALIA?**

People are kind, beaches and peaceful.

Takumi Koma – Japan

Beautiful country.

Thirachat Srisamutnak – Thailand

The view.

Hitomi Sasamori – Japan

At Seaford Secondary College, we have a variety of International Programs where students come from various countries to study here. This includes short Study Tours, or longer Study Abroad programs. All host families receive $250 a week to host an International student, and gain valuable, life-long friendships.

If you are interested, please call the school on 8327 2222, or email Mr Adam Pearce: adam.pearce220@schools.sa.edu.au

**INTERESTED IN HOSTING AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT?**
THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ABORIGINAL SPORTS TRAINING ACADEMY

On Wednesday the 9th of February, 5 of our Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) students started their placement in The South Australian Aboriginal Sports Training Academy (SAASTA).

SAASTA is a unique sporting and educational program that provides ATSI high school students with the skills, opportunities and confidence to Dream, Believe and Achieve in the areas of sport, education, employment and healthy living.

Alanis, Kyara, Ayden, Krystal and Nicola attend the academy, based at Christies Beach High School, every Wednesday and gain SACE credits when completing the two-year course.

Chloe Wallace
Aboriginal Secondary Education Transition Officer

INTERSTATE SCHOOL SPORT TEAMS

School sport is up and running for another year. In 2015 we had several students represent themselves beyond Seaford Secondary College at the local, state, and national level in a wide range of sports. If your child is athletically skilled and wishes to perform at a higher level, please contact me at the school or email Kayla.Tilling@seafordhs.sa.edu.au and we will ensure that their sporting ambitions are met.

Kayla Tilling, Sports Coordinator

OPEN BOYS CRICKET

For the first time in a few years we managed to get a team up and running for the SSSSA Knockout Open Boys Cricket Competition match on 11th February against Wirreanda Secondary School. Only six players had played in a recognised game before, so our inexperienced team, superbly led by our captain Jordan, won the toss and sent the far more experienced Wirreanda side into bat.

Jordan almost had a wicket first ball but the catch was dropped. A few balls later a knick hit our keeper Adam then fell into the claws of Brodie at first slip. You beauty an early wicket 1/1! Several other easy catches were dropped until Jacob caught a solid ball to give Matt a well-deserved wicket at 2/80.

At drinks the batsmen were looking damaging at 2/100 off just 18 overs despite some good bowling from Jacob and Tyson. After the break Bailey and Jacob slowed the run rate down and were rewarded with wickets. Some great catches by Liam and Matt certainly helped and Wirreanda finished the innings at 6/184.

Solid performances with the ball by Jacob 3/30, Matt 3/50, and Jordan 1/20. Bailey also bowled tightly and was very unlucky not to get three wickets.

In reply our boys lost early wickets to be 2/7 and then 5/40 but to their credit batted patientiy to be all out for 76. Tyson opened the innings and made a flashy 13. Bailey hit some nice strokes making 9 and Matt dug in for several overs to get 5. Jacob scored 9 but the best knock with super clean striking was Jordan, top scoring with 20.

At the end of the match all the players from both teams shook hands in a really fun match and then our team went off to the nets for some more cricket.

I was very impressed with the great passion for this wonderful game and the enthusiasm of the players despite being outclassed on the day. Bring on footy, soccer and volleyball they all sang on the bus.

Thanks to Mr Craig Ottaway and Ms Kayla Tilling for their help to run this event.

Duncan Begg., Open Boys Cricket Coach

Chloe Wallace
Aboriginal Secondary Education Transition Officer
SEAWINDS SPECIAL EDUCATION UNIT

We are especially happy to welcome five new students into Class E14. A warm welcome to Lachlan, Ashley, Nicki, Ben and Anthony. It is great to see all our continuing students, eager to start the new school year as well. This year we will be focusing on Life Skills as well as our Australian Curriculum subjects which will be differentiated and modified to fit our students’ needs. We are proud to announce our Student Representative Council (SRC) reps for 2016 are Natasha and Kyson.

We are excited by our new open space class room and are planning to invite our parents to come and join in with some of our lessons in the near future. Welcome back to all and we look forward to a brilliant 2016 in Seawinds.

Katrina Bishop, Teacher, Seawinds Special Education Unit

THE SMITH FAMILY

DOES YOUR CHILD NEED SOME HELP WITH SCHOOL WORK?
If so, The Smith Family’s Learning Club is here to help!

For an hour after school, every Wednesday from 2:15-3:15pm in the library, volunteer mentors provide a safe and supportive out-of-school learning environment where students can participate in activities that develop their academic and social skills at no cost. Through regular attendance, students are able to enhance their learning and development skills. If you would like more information or wish to enroll in the Learning Club, please contact Karl from The Smith Family on 8382 7619 or karl.melvin@thesmithfamily.com.au or speak to Denise Luker at the school.

DOES YOUR CHILD NEED SUPPORT WITH THEIR READING?
If so, The Smith Family’s student2student is here to help!

The program aims to improve students reading and confidence. Books are sent out by The Smith Family or books can be accessed online using an ipad/tablet. The program runs over term 2 & 3 at a time negotiated with the buddy and is free!

WANT TO KNOW MORE OR SIGN UP?
Contact Cassandra on 8382 7587 or cassandra.wisman@thesmithfamily.com.au

LEARNING FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIP
Reminder for 2015 School Reports and Senior Secondary Options Forms (Year 11, 12 & 13 students only) to be returned to ensure payments are able to be processed. To avoid your payments being delayed please return as soon as possible to the Family Partnership Coordinator.

Semester 1 Payment Period is from the 7 January – 25th March.

Semester 1 Payment Amounts
School (Reception – Year 10) $270
Senior Secondary (Year 11, 12 & 13) $450

For all scholarship information please contact Learning for Life Family Partnership Coordinator Tammy Kennedy on 8186 2093 or tammy.kennedy@thesmithfamily.com.au

HIGH HOPES

Hi everyone,
Welcome to the start of a new and exciting year. A special welcome to our new families; I hope you are settling into the new routine of secondary education. This is my fourth year at Seaford Secondary College and I am looking forward to journeying alongside you in 2016; to encourage and support in any way I can.

For approximately a decade, the Seaford Ecumenical Mission (across the road from us) has partnered with Seaford Secondary College by providing volunteers and supplies for our Breakfast Club. They have also assisted us with emergency hampers and allowed us to use their premises for house assemblies and special meetings. This valuable partnership continues this year.

The Seaford Ecumenical Mission also offers the following services to our community:
- Town Square Café – Mon-Fri 9.30am – 3.00pm
- Tuesday Night Dinner – Fortnightly 5.15pm during school term, Town Square Café – next one is March 8th
- Emergency food vouchers / parcels – Tues & Thurs 10.00am – 12.00noon; Appointment only, phone 8392 4522
- Op-Shop – Mon, Wed to Fri 9.00am – 4.00pm

There are other churches in the area that have and can support our school and community in various ways.

I wish you all the best for 2016.

Karen Michelbach, Pastoral Care Worker
### CAREER & COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

#### PACTS (PARENTS AS CAREER TRANSITION SUPPORT)

**Free Workshops at Seaford Secondary College**

These 2 one-hour express workshops are designed to support parents/caregivers to have positive career conversations with their son/daughter, using a workbook, which is then kept after the session to refer to and share as it contains fabulous career resources. We have successfully facilitated PACTS Workshops in the past and parents have returned for a second time as they found it so useful. If you would like more information about attending a PACTS Workshop, please call or email Denise Luker on 0429439011 denise.luker@seafordhs.sa.edu.au

### VET & CAREERS

Welcome to 2016. We have had a very busy start to the year with 104 senior students commencing either a VET course or a School Based Traineeship or Apprenticeship.

This year on Wednesday’s, Seaford Secondary College is hosting the following courses:

- Certificate III in Early Childhood Education & Care – MADEC
- Certificate III in Media – Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE)
- Certificate I in Engineering – TAFESA

#### Workshops

For more information please call Jen Cousins on 0411440134 or email jennifer.cousins@tafesa.edu.au

#### Bookings:


#### DISABILITY FOCUS

**Want to know how to help your teenager with career ideas?**

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### LYBDA Online Training

**DO YOU KNOW LYNDA? NEED HELP WITH LEARNING ABOUT TECHNOLOGY?**

Lynda.com is a FREE (with your library membership) online training database with video tutorials and courses to help you with programs, devices and operating systems such as Word, Excel, Sharepoint, Photoshop, Mac OS, HTML, Powerpoint, Windows, CSS, InDesign, Podcasting, Facebook, iPhone, iPad, GarageBand, Outlook, Keynote, Moodle and many more. Why pay to do expensive courses when you can do them here for free at your own pace? All you need is a library membership to access this fantastic resource.

Visit our Online Resources page at www.onkaparingacity.com/libraries where all you need is your library card and PIN. Forgotten your PIN? Call the Seaford Library on 8384 0044 and we’ll help you get online.