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DIARY DATES

MONDAY 17 OCTOBER
1ST DAY OF TERM 4, 2022

TUESDAY 18 – FRIDAY 21 OCTOBER
YEAR 11 OUTDOOR EDUCATION
KAYAKING CAMP

MONDAY 24 OCTOBER
PRINCIPALS' TOUR

TUESDAY 25 OCTOBER
PRINCIPALS' ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE
MORNING TEA

WEDNESDAY 26 OCTOBER
PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS
YEAR 7 – YEAR 11

MONDAY 31 OCTOBER
LAST DAY FOR YEAR 12'S



Government of South Australia

Department for Education

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



DEAR PARENTS/ CAREGIVERS

It's been another very busy term with numerous excursions and sporting events going ahead as the COVID restrictions were lifted. As a school community we can all

be proud of the way our students behave and compete while representing our school. We often have community members and event organisers commenting positively on the way our students behave in public.

As a school, our strategic planning for 2023 is in full swing. The timetable is currently being developed based on our student's subject choices for 2023.

Our year 12 students are in the final weeks of their schooling as they complete the last of their assignments and prepare for exams that begin on Monday 7 November. For additional support, our year 12 teachers have offered workshops over the term 3 school holidays. We strongly recommend that students take advantage of this additional support in line with our underpinning school belief of high expectations and a growth mindset. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our year 12 teachers for offering the holiday workshops and for their care and support of our students throughout the year.

JOHN DOPHIEDE

It is with great sadness that I inform our school community of the passing of John Dophiede.

John was "Grounds Person" at our school for 14 years, having retired at the end of 2021. Over the last few years, John was a key member of our school building committee liaising with builders as part of our 13.5-million-dollar redevelopment project. Our community regularly comment on how well our grounds and facilities look, and that they always look well-groomed and cared for. This will be John's legacy to our school.

On behalf of the school, I would like to pass on our sincere condolences to John's family. He is greatly missed.



NAPLAN 2022

Over recent weeks we have been analysing the 2022 NAPLAN results received for our current year 7 and year 9 students. This is measured against our School Improvement Plan (SIP) and our literacy and numeracy targets. Overall, the number of students that met the Standard Education Achievement (SEA) in both year 7 and year 9 NAPLAN Reading and Numeracy were below our 2022 targets.

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FINANCE NEWS

SCHOOL FEES

Thank you to all families who have paid school fees or submitted School Card Applications for 2022.

REMINDER - SCHOOL FEES ARE NOW OVERDUE.
Please contact the Finance Office to discuss payment options.

At Seaford Secondary College, we endeavour to provide a simple and efficient fee paying service with multiple options for your convenience which are printed on the back of your invoice, however our preferred payment method is via QKR! Please see below for more information about how to use this quick, simple and secure application.

SCHOOL CARD

The School Card scheme is provided and administered by the Department for Education. Subject to eligibility

criteria, the scheme provides financial relief to low income families for education expenses at government schools.

2022 School Card applications are currently open. Application forms are available from the school or you can apply online. School Card must be applied for every year at each school your children attend. No new School Card applications can be accepted after 25 November 2022. You can find more information and apply for School Card at www.sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard

MATERIALS AND SERVICES CHARGE 2022 GOVERNMENT REBATE

As you are aware the State Government made a commitment to give South Australian families with school-age children a \$100 discount on their public school's Materials and Services Charge for each child

for the next two school years (2022 and 2023).

Seaford Secondary College finance office staff have applied the credit notes for all students currently eligible for the 2022 rebate.

The refund specifically relates to the 2022 Materials and Services Charge. If you have outstanding fees, the credit must be applied to them in the first instance. School Card families who have outstanding fees and are waiting for their application to be assessed cannot utilise the credit until a final outcome is received. If eligible for School Card the credit does not apply and will be cancelled.

If you have already paid your school fees for this year, your balance may be in credit. The credit may be used for other school related expenses incurred throughout the year including uniforms, excursions etc. If, however you would like the credit transferred to your bank account, please contact the finance office to discuss your options.

ONE PLAN REVIEWS

As a site we are embarking upon our annual One Plan Review period. Staff will be reviewing goals with your son/daughter in the coming weeks. You will be contacted by your son/daughter's Care Group Teacher to request your input into the One Plan for 2023. One Plans will be updated by Week 6 of Term 4 and shared with teachers in preparation for 2023 curriculum planning. Please direct any questions in the first instance to your child's Care Group teacher.

Janine Arkwright, Senior Leader

FROM THE PRINCIPAL CONTINUED

As a school we are disappointed with the results. This is against the trend of our school having enjoyed the best results ever in 2021. We have since unpacked our PAT and NAPLAN data in order to identify the areas of concern. We have pinpointed the specific questions that our students got incorrect to allow us to provide the support required for improvement. This targeted support will be embedded within the year 8 curriculum as we prepare our students for NAPLAN in term 1, 2023.

NAPLAN has enabled our school to continue to develop our student's literacy and numeracy skills required to progress through school and life. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all staff at our school for their ongoing commitment to supporting our students to achieve to the best of their ability.

STAFFING UPDATE

Congratulations to **Janine Arkwright** for winning the Assistant Principal Position, years 7-12 LEARNING SUPPORT & INCLUSION at our school for the next 3 years.

Welcome to **Sharon Kasteliz** who has accepted the permanent SS02 – School Finance Officer position.

We would also like to wish **Jade Aylen** all the very best with the imminent arrival of her twin babies. Jade will be taking leave from the end of Term 3.

Kind regards, Harry Stassinopoulos, Principal

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Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register.

Step 3 Find our school
Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10kms of the school, or search for our school by name.

Step 4 Register your children
When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

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Add your children's details in Student Profiles

- Select 'Add student profile'
- Add each child's details
- Manage each child's details in Student Profiles

Order meals

- Select a menu from our canteen
- Tap the green box to view your receipt or to cancel an order
- Select a date for a child and order a meal
- Tap 'Repeat order' to copy all paid orders from one week to the next
- Tap to change the date you are ordering for
- Tap to change the date you are ordering for
- Tap 'Check out' then confirm and pay

Making payments

- Add up to 5 cards to your wallet
- At checkout select which card to pay with.
- Pay with any cards accepted by the school.
- Once your payment is approved you can continue to the home page, or view your receipt.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO UPDATE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WITH THE FRONT OFFICE IF ANY OF YOUR DETAILS HAVE CHANGED



Home Address



Mobile Numbers



Email Address



Emergency Contacts



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WAKAKIRRI 2022

DANCE THROUGH TIME

A group of students were invited to participate in a workshop supported by the Smith Family and run by Wakakirri instructors. The group, agreed on the theme 'Dance Through Time' with the scene set in a dream. Dancers worked through the creative process as a class and in small groups. The students chose to present dances from the 1920's, 1960's, 1980's and 1990's before coming together in a final dance to 'Celebration'. This was presented to an audience in the PAC here at Seaford Secondary College.

Students were then invited on an excursion to the Adelaide Convention Centre to watch other schools preparing for their Wakakirri presentation later that evening. Wakakirri means to dance through story, and we witnessed many schools presenting important messages through dance. Students were then privileged to receive a backstage tour of the



Convention Centre and were able to see the dressing rooms, tech box and go up on the rather large stage!

We would like to thank the Smith Family for this amazing opportunity and Steph from Wakakirri for her time and commitment to the workshop.

Hayley Kerrisk, Performing Arts Teacher

SPANISH DAY AT WILLUNGA

Our Year 8 Students who are doing Spanish this year, had the opportunity to be part of a special event at Willunga High School. The event was organised by the Spanish teachers from Willunga High School, Aberfoyle Park High School, and Seaford Secondary College. Students participated in different fun activities such as traditional Spanish games for kids, conversation in Spanish, and Latin Dancing which was run by **Valeria Alonso** from **EL RITMO**. In addition to that, students

had the opportunity to try traditional sweets from Chile and Argentina: Alfajores and Chilenitos. ¡Deliciosos!

Students enjoyed all activities as well as watching animals from the agriculture program at Willunga High School.

We look forward to the Spanish event for next year!

Maria Valle, Spanish Teacher



OPERATION FLINDERS

On the 25th of September, eight students from SILC and two support staff (Mark & Issy) drove 600km to the remote Northern Flinders Ranges to Yankannina (Adnyamathanha Land) for Operation Flinders. Over the 8 days, we hiked 80km, slept under the stars, cooked over an open fire, participated in a high ropes course, and climbed over what felt like never-ending hills, valleys, and rivers. We'd like to thank Operation Flinders and our leaders for the opportunity to learn and grow from each other and Mother Nature. These young people have had the challenge and achievement of their lives! Here's what they had to say about it...

'I learnt that I'm a lot stronger than I thought I was, and that I'm very resilient. I handle stress very well and I can keep calm, and grounded.' - **Sage**

'One thing I found challenging was overcoming myself, my own destroying thoughts and the weakness of my body.' - **Finn**

'The best thing about Op Flinders for me was the high ropes activity. I enjoyed climbing up & participating in the activity.' - **Kate**

'I learnt that even after everything, no matter what others say, my dad would be proud.' - **Vanity**

'The best thing about Operation Flinders was seeing the sky light up with all of these amazing stars at night. The scenery while walking up a hill and being able to see each mountain become smaller as we travelled to higher ground.' - **Niamh**

'I learnt that I could push myself harder and far more than I thought.'

'The thing I found most challenging was controlling my emotions when others weren't.'

Isabela Kodhyat, SILC Teacher



YEAR 12 FORMAL

The 2022 Year 12 Formal was held on Friday 26 August at the Stamford Grand Hotel, Glenelg. The evening was a wonderful occasion for our year 12's to celebrate together.

The night consisted of speeches, awards, dancing and plenty of delicious food. Thank you to Ms Hayley Kerrisk for creating the fun video of the 2022 staff performing various dance moves for the year 12's to watch. We would also like to thank the committee for all their planning and organising in staging this event. Special thanks to the year 12 caregroup teachers and **Ms Lisa Penniford** for their valuable contribution to the evening, Thank you to all the staff that supervised a successful evening.

Wishing all our Year 12 students success in their upcoming exams and completion of their assignments.

Beth Parkin, Head of Senior School



NUNGA TAG

On September 21, a group of First Nations students from Seaford Secondary College travelled to South Adelaide Football Club to compete in the annual Nunga Tag Carnival.

It is the twentieth anniversary of Nunga Tag and there were over 20 teams competing in the touch rugby styled competition. With over 200 competitors this year, the emphasis is based on participation, cooperation, and cultural connection.

The scene was set with a Traditional Owner performing a stirring Welcome to Country and then students were left to play in the tournament. When participants had a few spare minutes, they could

head over to see the community service providers to either get information or collect giveaways promoting the service.

We had 12 students representing our school ranging from years 7-12. They played in a total of eleven games on the day and were still full of energy even up to the last game, which is a fantastic effort.

Every student participated to the best of their ability, showed great sportsmanship and improved their skills as the day progressed. There were many highlights of the day, and all the games were played in good spirits which meant fun was had by all.

Emma Sewer, Aboriginal Education Teacher



THE STARS VISIT SEAFORD!

In week 10, 6 classes were lucky enough to enjoy a visit to the StarLab planetarium. Once inside the GIANT dome students travelled through the universe visiting their favourite planets, witnessing a total eclipse, and learning how to navigate using the Australian night sky. Students were lucky enough to experience this due to the science passionate Student Teacher, Ms Jacqui.

Thank you Ms Jacqui!!

"It was like the moon was falling on me!" Jayme, Yr 9

"That was pretty awesome!" Montana, Yr 9

"There really is only one star in our Solar System?" Angus, Yr 10

Caroline Duke, Tech Leader



The GIANT dome



Uranus, a favourite planet of many students



Our Moon, as it was hurtling towards us



Next stop, Mars

STUDENT WELLBEING

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HEADSPACE www.headspace.org.au

LIFELINE 13 11 14
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www.beyondblue.org.au