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DIARY DATES

SCHOOL HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS:

Closed: Wednesday 21 December -Thursday 19 January Closed: Wednesday 25 January -Friday 27 January

UNIFORM DAYS AND FEE PAYMENTS

Friday 20 of January 9am-12pm & 1pm-3pm Monday 23 of January 9am-12pm & 1pm-3pm Tuesday 24 of January 12pm-6pm

STAGGERED START

Monday 30 January year 12 and 7 students Tuesday 31 January all students



FROM THE PRINCIPAL



DEAR FAMILIES.

As a school community we can be proud of how we have navigated and will continue to deal with, this ever-changing world. Despite the on-going uncertainty of COVID, as a

school we will continue to work through it.

2022 SACE RESULTS

Our 2022 SACE results have come in and our school has continued to improve. Our SACE completion rate for 2022 is above the state average at an impressive 98.8%.

ATARS for our 2022 Top 5 students:

Oliver M - 84**Braelie J** – 79.25 **Jordan M** - 78.75**Darianna S-T** – 78.70 **Ashley N** - 73.95



Our SACE intervention strategies continue working, however more importantly, what we are doing at our school with literacy, numeracy and pedagogical practice is working. Improved SACE achievement is a key goal in our 2022-2024 School Improvement Plan.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the 2022 SACE teachers for all their hard work. expertise and unwavering commitment in supporting our students to reach their potential. They are the ones that bring our collective work together.

We can all be proud of our year 12 and SACE results.

A BIG THANK YOU TO THE STUDENTS AND STAFF OF OUR SCHOOL.

I would like to acknowledge the work of all staff in providing great opportunities for our students to undertake valuable learning experiences outside the school environment.

We have had numerous members of the public





Above State Average in:

✓ SACE Completion

✓ VET Leading to SACE

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contact the school to congratulate the students on their behaviour when representing our school in the wider community.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR STUDENTS' FIRST DAY

Monday, January 30 and Tuesday, January 31 2023. To facilitate a seamless and supportive transition to start off the year, Seaford Secondary College has committed to a staggered start in 2023.

YEAR LEVEL STARTING DATES:

- Monday January 30 Year 7 and Year 12 Students ONLY
- Tuesday, January 31 ALL Year levels (Year 7 to Year 12)

Supporting students at critical educational transition points, particularly on the first day, provides a unique opportunity for extra assistance. All staff will be available to help students transition as smoothly as possible into our school and promote a successful start for our Stage 2 cohort.

On the first day **(Monday January 30)** our Year 7 students will be undertaking supportive transition programs including familiarisation with the school, teachers, classes and programs. Our Year 12 students will begin timetabled lessons.

The second day **(Tuesday January 31)** will involve all students Year 7 to Year 12 remaining in their care groups until after recess when timetabled lessons will begin.

FAREWELLS

I would like to take this opportunity to thank and farewell the following staff who will be moving on from Seaford Secondary College. We appreciate your work and the care given to our students over the years.

- Kirsty Ramsay has won a position at Aberfoyle Park High School
- **Sarah Owens** has won a position at Willunga High School
- Hayley Kerrisk has won a position at Encounter Lutheran College
- **Beth Parkin** who will be retiring in 2023
- Lucy Overall and Emil Nilsson are moving to a cooler climate
- Hannah O'Hagan was won a position at Plympton International College.

To our colleagues that are on contact, we wish you all the best in 2023 and thank you for your valuable contribution to our school in 2022.

On behalf of the staff at Seaford Secondary College we wish all our families a happy and safe festive season. Thank you for your support this year and we look forward to an even better 2023.

Kind regards, Harry Stassinopoulos, Principal



IMPROVED ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: TERM 3

At Seaford Secondary College we value continual improvement and growth for all students at all achievement levels. 132 of our students demonstrated improvement in their grade point average of at least 2 subjects from term 2 to term

3 of 2022, on top of the 146 who achieved the milestone last term. We would like to congratulate all of these students for their improved effort and achievement and look forward to working with all students throughout the year to continue this

Year 10	Year 11	Riley D	Billy W	Oscar P	Boon Boona
Jamal M	Jade B	Jayden C	Logan C	Kody K	Stirling C
Luca 0	Bailey F	Tylilah M	Joel D	Wade F	Jasmine B
Brody F	Callie F	Natasha B	Samuel M	Kobe M	Tahlia S
Aaron E	James A	Jack F	Scarlett R	Khyson F	Kya O
Amelia-Rose K			Phoebe R	Amelia H	Lachie M
Samuel B	Nashwauk	Tingara	Matilda S	Magenta R	Eli P
Brody H	Heath C	Ash B	Will C	Dyllan B	Laura B
Brodie R	Laileena S	Zander B	Zac S	Ruby C	Zayden G
Misharrah L	Ethan A	Madison N	Mia V	Jack K	Taylah L
Angus N	Joshua H	Riley S		Beth C	Lilly W
Dakota W	Shiloh L	Hadija W	Tigress	Connor H	Michael L
Mickiya H	Oliver T	Tori P	Logan M	Kristian A	Alex L
Jack D	Andrew D	Lily D	Dylan W	Angel W	Murray M
Taj K	Jake P	Joshua S	Conner N	Brianna S	Tamsyn A
Lola R	Tyler B	Olivia M	James C	Peter H	Ella M
Shante Y	Leni J	Thomas M	Caleb G	Reece B	Alijah B
Vanessa T	Brock D	Harry S	Imogen M	Austin T	Bryce H
Ashton B	Jack L	Isabella H	Ben D	Xander F	Orlando H
Рорру F	Kade T	Milan F	David F	Jarell B	Mia M
Ella W	Kobe P	Renee N	Ellie D	Riley B	Roman B
Taya D	Paige B	Elizabeth L	Kyus L	Summer B	Jordy F
Summer W	Cooper B	Daniel S	Jay L		Emily M
	Mason N	Marshall L	Lachlan M		Chayse Z

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











Mobile Numbers Email

il Address Emergency Contacts

Family Information

LOAN UNIFORM RETURNS

As we approach the end of the 2022 school year we are requesting that all loan uniforms are returned to Student Services. School uniform is compulsory at SSC, when students arrive at school out of uniform or are missing a jumper/jacket on a cold day we offer loan uniform.

Currently we have 60 outstanding uniform items, loan uniform can be easily identified as they have an iron on label on the inside of the uniform. Students with outstanding loan uniform will be receiving a reminder email or phone call.

LIFE IN THE UNI LANE

We jumped on a bus and attended Life in the Uni Lane at Flinders University. This was a one-day campus program designed for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander high school students to show them what is on offer at university, what a day at university is like and to showcase Flinders University.

We were given a tour of the vast grounds of the university including both of the enormous hills we had to climb. The sessions we participated in included a sports education session which focussed on communication and team working skills. We learnt about what it takes to become a paramedic

and an insight into what that job entails. After lunch we got to build rollercoasters whilst understanding the laws of physics and we learnt about the human brain and cognition in one of the psychology labs.

This was a fantastic experience for all of the students and really opened their eyes to what university is and what you need to do to be able to get there. Hopefully they can transfer all of this experience and enthusiasm into the classroom when they are back at school.

> Emma Sewer Aboriginal Education Teacher



VOLLEYBALL

Our Seaford U17 Girls Volleyball team pulled through with the win of the 2022 Junior League Grand Final. Our team stuck together throughout the whole season and stayed undefeated. We battled against Mount Lofty for two hours, until we finally took the win.

The first 2 sets, we unfortunately lost, but after a big team talk from our coach, Craig, we lifted our energy and won set 3 and set 4. Set 5 was a tough set, as both teams wanted the win, and only having 15 points to win the set, made it a hard push. We are all so proud of ourselves, for our commitment to the season, our efforts and our team all being friends helped us bring home the win. We are so thankful to Mr Natar, Craig, and Mr Kirk for

helping us all year with Junior League. Thanks also goes to Matt who would coach the boys teams on the nights that Mr Natar couldn't make it.

We have clearly grown and improved since last year, with every class, game, and training bringing us closer together. Working alongside the boys and senior girls' team has helped us develop our teamwork and general volleyball skills. We are all looking forward to playing as a team again next year and are so excited for what's to come. This win was just the beginning of a successful volleyball journey. even if we split up into our own pathways.

> Taya, Vanessa & Shante Under 17 Girls Volleyball Team



EXTENDED ABSENCES

Student absences of more than 1 week require an exemption form to be submitted. The form is available on request from student services. It should be completed 2 weeks prior to the start date of the exemption. This includes extended exemptions due to medical & other exemptions. Delays could result in an exemption NOT being approved, thus resulting in unexplained absences recorded for students.



MOBILE PHONE POLICY

From 2023, the government has committed to banning student access to mobile phones at school, for all year levels.

This decision has come about with the review of the mobile phone policy that was required for all secondary schools in 2021. Increasingly, students are using their mobile phones at the expense of their learning, which is contrary to the policy that was in place in 2021 and 2022.

We understand that mobile phones are a great utility, however mobile phone use has increasingly become a source of distraction, anti-social behaviour and conflict, both at home and at school.

Seaford Secondary College is committed to maintaining a safe and learning focused educational environment for all of its students. Research shows that the presence of mobiles in the classroom can be detrimental to student performance. According to a survey and report from Common Sense Media that involved 1,240 interviews with parents and their 12 to 18-year-old children, 50% of teens feel attached to their mobile devices and 59% of their parents agree that their kids have a problem putting their devices down (U.S. News & World Report).

As of the beginning of 2023 school year:

- Middle School Students (Year 7 to Year 9) are required to keep their mobile phone (or other digital devices) in their locker or bag for the duration of the school day. The phone must be put on silent or turned off during school hours (8.30am – 3.05pm). Students will need to have their own individual combination lock for their locker.
- Senior School students (Year 10 to Year 12) are required to keep their mobile phone (or other digital devices) in their bag for the duration of the school day. The phone must be put on silent or turned off during school hours (8.30am – 3.05pm).

If a student does not comply:

- In line with the school's behaviour management policy, the misuse of personal devices may result in disciplinary action which includes, but is not limited to, Time Out for not following teacher instructions.
 This is inclusive of Wellbeing and Pathways lessons, Care Group, lunch and recess times
- If confiscation is required, the student will take their device to be securely stored in the Principal's office.
 The device will be returned to them (or their parent) on provision of the student's ID and confirmation from a leader that the return has been approved
- Teachers and Leaders do not touch or confiscate a student's phone. Leaders will accompany the student with the phone in their bag to the Principal's office.

The process outlined above is no different to our current policy, excepting the addition of no mobile phones during break times.

It is important that as parents and caregivers you provide your full support to the introduction of the schools required mobile phone policy. Parents and caregivers can call Student Services on 8327 5200 if they need to contact their children.

We know that some of our Year 7 to Year 11 students may struggle during the transition period in 2023.

An updated mobile phone policy, which is being developed, will be posted on the school website prior to the start of the 2023 school year.

If you require further information, on this or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact the school on **Ph 08 83275200**

SUPER STEM DAY IN THE CITY!

A group of Year 9 & 10 students with an interest in digital technologies and science were lucky enough to venture into Adelaide for a whole day STEM experience.

The day started with a visit to the Hilton Hotel to wander a Career Convention engaging with over 30 future STEM employers. At the expo stalls students were able to:

- Fly aircraft in flight simulation chairs
- Act as Cyber Security Officers and try to detect fake Drivers Licences
- Collect a swag of promotional materials from a range of employers (the favourite were stealth sunglasses from Silentium Defence)
- Interact and liaise with workers/researchers from a range of fields, exploring future career pathway options.

From here the group travelled to Lot Fourteen and toured the exciting developments being built on the old RAH site. The tour included:

- Hearing from cyber security experts and their experience with the dark web at the Australian Cyber Collaboration Centre
- Hands on activities at the Australian Space Agency
- A.I. demonstrations from the team at Australian Institute for Machine Learning.

"I enjoyed looking at the different options for the future and the different activities provided. I like the activity where I got to build a mini boat and where we went to the Australian Space Agency"

Marley, Year 9

"I liked learning about the AI"

Aiden. Year 10

"I enjoyed going to the excursion, I liked it when we got to go to the Hilton Hotel for the careers expo and my favourite set up was Silentium Defence"

Lara. Year 10

"It was a really good learning experience, and I was very interested in the flight simulation."

Jonathan, Year 10

Ms Duke & Ms Scotton



2023 SILC REVIEW

It has been another fantastic year at SILC. The students have achieved some outstanding results and our program continues to go from strength to strength.

At the end of 2021 we decided to end our partnership with Mission Australia and run SILC solely through the school. While the lease and other issues were sorted out we started the first 5 weeks of term one working from the Performing Arts Centre. We finally got back to our home on Cliff Avenue and could start with our learning programs in earnest.

Some of the events and activities students have participated in this year include:

- Operation Flinders
- Excursions to Urrimbirra Wildlife Park, Central Markets and Japanese Gardens, MOD Museum and Art Gallery
- First Aid and White Card courses

In term 4, we conducted a student survey and the results strongly affirm that the SILC is a quality program which addresses both the educational and well being needs of young people.

Some of the key outcomes of the survey include:

- Do you think you have attended SILC more this year than you would have at mainstream? 64% either agreed or strongly agreed
- Is SILC a good place to learn? 97% either agreed or strongly agreed
- How would you rate the amount of support you get at SILC with your learning? 80% answered either Very Good or Excellent
- How would you rate the amount of support you receive with your well-being? 80% of students answered either satisfied or very satisfied

How much do you understand what you are doing at SILC and why you are doing it? 90% answered either often, verv often or always

These results demonstrate that our core philosophies are creating success for students. These are:

- Unconditional Positive Regard
- Meaning and Purpose for students
- High Expectations with High Support I would like to thank all of the SILC staff for their hard work, dedication and passion. This program would not exist without their constant, often

thankless, efforts. It is also positive that they will all be continuing at SILC in 2023.

Finally, I would like announce that I will be leaving this position at the end of the year to try something new. It has been a privilege to build the SILC program into what it is today and I would like to say thank you to all the people who have supported me during the last 5 years as FLO Coordinator.

Caroline Duke will be replacing me next year and I wish her all the best.

Adam Lindavies. FLO Coordinator

STUDENT WELLBEING

PARENT HELPLINE 1300 364 100

KIDS HELPLINE 1800 551 800 www.kidshelpline.com.au

> **LIFELINE 13 11 14** www.lifeline.org.au

BEYOND BLUE 1300 224 636 www.beyondblue.org.au

HEADSPACE www.headspace.org.au

SILC VICTOR HARBOR EXCURSION

On November 16 staff and students from SILC took a trip to the Southern Fleurieu Peninsula for a visit to Urimbirra Wildlife Park. All participants were treated to a great day observing, patting and feeding some of the native animals at the park. From Urimbirra the group headed over to Victor Harbor for a lunch of hot chips and then a walk over the Causeway to Granite Island to take in some Southern Ocean views and fresh air. It was great to see our young people interacting respectfully away from the classroom and forming new friendships.

"We had a 10/10 day, I almost pushed someone in the water." Finn

"I had lots of fun because I made a new friend and the views were breathtaking." Sage

"I enjoyed the excursion. My highlights were feeding the kangaroos and Subway lunch." Miya

"I loved the animals, all the birds and spending time with new friends." Mickey





SPORT REPORT

2022 was one of our most successful school sport vears ever!

- Girls Indoor Soccer Finalists.
- Girls Soccer Finalists.
- Boys Volleyball Finalists.
- Girls Volleyball Champions.
- Girls Athletics Second.
- Year 8/9 9-a-side football Champions.
- Year 8/9 Cricket Second.

In total – SSC participated in 38 sporting events in 2022! (34 in 2021)

In 2023 we will offer the opportunity to represent SSC in:

- Competitive Swimming
- **Athletics**
- Surfing/ Aquatics
- Indoor/ Outdoor Soccer

- Volleyball
- Football
- Nethall
- Basketball
- Cricket

If every year level had a team for both boys & girls that would be 95 teams! We have room to grow still! Let's make 2023 our most successful year yet!

A SPECIAL THANKS TO:

- Claudia Addicott & Marc Snelson Soccer Coaches
- John Natar Volleyball Coach
- Angus Weller, Tim Watson, Bill Tonkin, Maddi O'Connell, Kobe Mutch & Matt Walton - Sports Coaches

Seaford Secondary College thanks you for all of your hard work in our sports program.

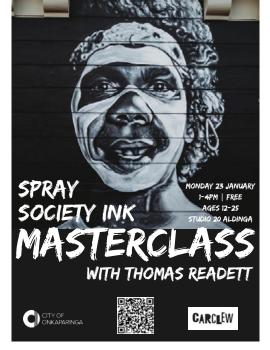
Brad Kirk, HPE & Sports Coordinator

FLASHMOB To celebrate the end of the year, the year 9 Dance class appeared as a flash mob during the Middle School end of year celebration. They were full of energy and showed great coordination for their second public performance.

SPRAY SOCIETY INK









Moana Districts Soccer Club

A district club of the Noarlunga & Districts Junior Soccer Association

We now invite girls and boys aged u6 to u16 from the following schools to submit an expression of interest for 2023 via google form on our socials.



Moana **Primary** School



Old Noarlunga Primary

Seaford Rise Primary School School

South Port Primary School

Seaford Secondary College

Training Wednesdays 3.30-4.30pm, games Saturday mornings, home ground Seaford Secondary College, fees only \$150, sports vouchers available if eligible, season Apr-Sep.

Contact us via Facebook or Instagram @Moana Districts Soccer Club email modsoc2016@gmail.com or call 0414 224 930

