

## NEWSLETTER

**2023 ISSUE 3** 

#### **TERM DATES 2023**

Term 2 1 May - 7 July

Term 3 24 July - 29 September

Term 4 16 October - 15 December

#### **DIARY DATES**

#### **Tuesday 6 June to Thursday 8 June**

YR 10 -12 Mid Year Exams

#### Thursday 8 June to Friday 9 June

Yr 10 Kuitpo Camp

#### **Thursday 8 June**

YR 10 Meningococcal B & Meningococcal ACWY

#### **Monday 12 June**

Public Holiday Kings Birthday

#### **Tuesday 13 June to Friday 16 June**

Yr 12 Bush Walking Camp Yr 10 - 12 Mid Year Exams

#### **Friday 7July**

Last day of term 2 Early Dismissal 2.12pm



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#### **PRINCIPALS REPORT**

#### WELCOME TO OUR MORIOKA CHUO HIGH SCHOOL

On Saturday 13 May we welcomed 22 students from our sister school, Morioka Chuo High School, from Japan for a 1-week study tour.

We are very fortunate to be one of 25 schools from 17 countries to be associate with Morioka. Having our sister school visit enables our students and staff to form lifelong friendships beyond our local area. With international travel returning, there will be opportunities for student and staff to travel Morioka Chuo High School in 2024. I would like to thank Ms Annette Wedding (International Programs Coordinator), Mr Adam Stribley (International Programs Leader), home stay families, student buddies and the staff that offered sessions for our visiting students.



#### **TERM 2 STAFFING UPDATE**

I would like to congratulate Ms Cathy Hand for winning the Senior School Year Level Leader position until the end of the year. Ms Hand will be working with the senior school team in supporting students with wellbeing, engagement and behaviour for learning. We also like to welcome Ms Bhavani Natarajan who has accepted a contract position teaching maths & science until the end of Term 2 behind Ms Maddy Roger whose contract with us ended Term 1 to allow her to travel to Canada.

#### PARENT STUDENT TEACHER CONFERENCE EVENING

A very successful Parent Student Teacher Conference was held on Wednesday, 10 May in the Performing Arts Centre, Library and school cafeteria. Watching the high level of engagement in conversations with teachers and parents was a credit to staff knowledge and understanding of the students we teach. Well done to all staff and students for the level of preparation, support and commitment to our school community. A BIG thank you to all the parents that attended the evening. See you all at our next Parent Student Teacher Conference evening early Term 4.

#### **IMPORTANCE OF ATTENDANCE**

Thank you for your ongoing support in getting students to school. At Seaford Secondary College we understand that sometimes, unforeseen events can disrupt the morning routine. If there is a genuine reason for the student being late, we ask parents/carers to either ring the school as soon as possible, or write a note in the student's diary explaining lateness. It's important for the continuity and support of learning that we work together to support students to attend school on time every day. Parent/carers can register for the DayMap parent portal to access attendance information.

Regards Harry Stassinopoulos Principal

#### **DENTAL FOR SCHOOLS PROGRAM**

Term 4, week 3 – Dental for Schools visit, 1 – 3 November 2023

Dental for Schools (DFS) is returning to our school during week 3 of term 4

The dental practitioners visiting our school specialise in prevention and early detection of decay in the form of regular check-ups. They work on reducing fear and anxiety by providing a comfortable environment for each patient.

DFS offers our school no out of pocket dental treatment under Medicare's bulk billing for eligible students.

Here are the following treatments you will most likely receive on site:

- ·Comprehensive oral examination to determine any concerns
- ·Professional clean to remove any stains/plaque
- ·Fluoride treatment to strengthen teeth and gums
- ·X-rays if required for diagnosis of any areas of concern
- ·Take home dental pack and parent oral health report.

Consent forms are available from the middle school office or online by scanning the QR code below.

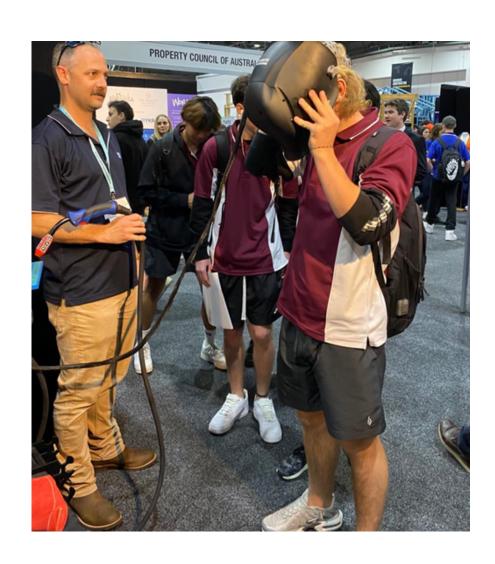
Deb O'Connor Middle School Administration



#### PERSONAL LEARNING PLAN EXPO

The Year 10s recently attended the 2023 Career and Employment Expo at the Adelaide Showgrounds. They spoke with employers, Tertiary institutions, the Defence forces, and a large number of employment agencies and Registered Training Organisations, participated in simulations and gained a wealth of knowledge about the future of industry in Australia. The students also observed how the booths were set up and what information was being provided to the public, to gain valuable insights to create their own booth for the Seaford Secondary College PLP Career Expo which will run in PLP lessons over Week 5 and 6 this term.











#### **INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM**

#### **WELCOME TO OUR TERM 2 STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS**

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Ms Masaki, Ms Rian and Ms Kokoro from Mishima High School in Japan and Mr Oswin from Hong Kong who joined us this term and will be with us until the end of the year.

In week 2 we said good bye to Lilly, who returned to her home country of Germany and in week 6 we will say good bye to Chris. Chris will be doing a Foundation course which will then set him up for University in 2024, studying Engineering.

We wish both students all the best in their future endeavours.

#### **HOSTING A STUDY TOUR STUDENT/S – SHORT TERM**



We would like to welcome our new homestay families to our program. They have already enjoyed hosting a study tour and are looking forward to hosting our next tour in August.

Our short term hosting is one to two weeks. Hosting an international student is a wonderful and mutually rewarding experience and students gain an understanding of the Australian way of life. It is a great opportunity to make a difference in a young person's life and to make lifelong friendships. It is truly a win-win for everyone

Families of all sizes and structures are eligible and you will be supported by your international team at Seaford Secondary College and financially supported while the student is with you.

So, if the thought of opening your home and heart to an international student sounds like an exciting opportunity or you want to know more, please contact -

Annette Wedding on 0418 826 133 Annette.wedding90@schools.sa.edu.au

Our next study tour is from Kyoto Board of Education, Japan arriving on the 30 July and departing on the 13 August. Please feel free to give me a call if you are interested.



A program like this cannot run without of the support of our Host Families, Buddies, Seaford staff and the international team. Thank to all who were involved, it is very much appreciated.

#### **STUDY TOUR**

Our sister school, Morioka Chuo from Japan visited us on 13 – 20 May. We hosted 22 students and 1 support teacher. Students attended a welcome assembly and enjoyed a sausage sizzle where they meet their buddies.

Throughout the week students enjoyed participating in art, music, where they learnt the words to Waltzing Matilda, Woodwork, Science and PE and learnt the art of kicking a football. Students also visited Urimbirra Wildlife Park and Moana Beach for a bit of beach cricket with their buddies and spent an afternoon in the city sightseeing. Morioka was farewelled with an Iconic Australian food party where they tasted kangaroo, meat pies, fritz and sauce, tim tams, lamingtons, vegemite and much more. Buddies enjoyed the afternoon celebrations with games, stories, origami making, photos, singing, a display of Kenjutsu, which is a form of martial arts and the high light was a student solving the rubrics cube blind folded.

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#### **BUDDY PROGRAM**

The international buddy program is a great way to learn about another culture, make new friends, help others and contribute to the Seaford Secondary community.

A study tour buddy will be assigned to a student with the goal of learning about our Australian culture and improve their English-speaking skills. Buddies meet study tour students at break times and show them around our school, introduce them to others, help them to practice their English through conversation and involving them in breaktime activities. Depending on the timetable buddies may have the opportunity to accompany tours on excursions to Adelaide city, a welcome BBQ and other school-based activities offered to each group as well as a farewell party.

If you are interested in being a buddy, please come and speak to Ms Wedding in Tingara Middle School Office or Mr Stribley in Boon Boona Office

#### **SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE - SCCE**

Have you ever thought about studying abroad? SCCE offers exchange programs of 2,3,5, and 10 months, a choice of 16 countries and the experience to live with another family in another country.

If you are interested, please speak to either Mr Stribley in Boon Boona office or Ms Wedding in Tingara CO4, or visit <a href="www.scce.com.au">www.scce.com.au</a> for more information.

Annette Wedding & Adam Stribley International Team

#### **SEAFORD ATHLETICS TEAM**

On 12 April Seaford athletics team made their way to the state athletics centre to compete against several other schools.

The girls took out the shield and the boys finished narrowly in second.

We also finished second overall by only 42 points!

The officials at the stadium also commented on how great our students were to work with and their conduct/ sportsmanship throughout the day was outstanding. Congratulations to all of the students involved for their achievement.

#### Overall results can be found at:

https://www.education.sa.gov.au/schools-and-educators/programs-students/school-sport-sa/choose-sport/athletics-track-and-field/athletics-track-and-field-secondary-championships/f-grade-scores.pdf



Brad Kirk Head of Nashwauk House HPE & Sports Coordinator

#### **KNOCKOUT BASKETBALL COMPETITION**

A strong team of eleven Year 7 and 8 boys are participating in a knockout Basketball Competition this year. Our first round was hosted in our gym on Thursday 11 May against Hallett Cove School and Aldinga Payinthi College.

We won both games with a significant margin and I was impressed with how the boys played respectfully and didn't intentionally run the scoreboard since they were clearly the dominant team. We had the benefit of a 'tall' team that gave us an advantage and puts us in good stead for the next round. The scores were:

Seaford 66 - 30 Aldinga Payinthi Seaford 68 - 37 Hallett Cove Aldinga Payinthi 87 - 32 Hallett Cove

All 11 players got the opportunity to have substantial game time and there were no complaints in the end about the regular subbing on and off!

Extra shout out to Zemes who was our main scorer (getting 43 points in the first game) – showing lots of potential to go further in basketball. Another shout out to Ryder who was super energetic, kept our bench alive and was just having so much fun while on the court (did pretty good too). Thank you also to Jake and Koul for supporting the umpiring of all 3 matches.

Our team players were:

(Year 8) Aden, Ash, Cadel, Chace, Chase, Jacob, Mason, Matthew, Zemes (Year 7) Parker, Ryder

All students showed good sportsmanship and represented our school proudly! The boys progress onto round 2, further information will be distributed as it becomes available.

Angus Weller

#### **DRAMA PERFORMANCE**

During week one of term 2, the year 11 and 12 drama students performed two separate shows across four nights. The year 11's performed 'The Girl Who Was 100 Girls' in the style of 'theatre in the round', whilst the year 12's performed 'Amelia Bradshaw Turns Eight'. Both classes worked extremely hard during term 1 and over the holidays to refine two spectacular shows.

A huge congratulations to all involved - especially to those students who stepped up by helping out in both shows (performing 4 nights in a row!) A special mention to Marley in year 9 who came on board the year 12 production last minute. You brought a lot to the role and the year 12's were extremely grateful! And a huge thank you to all friends, family members and staff who came to support our very talented drama students.

Now it's time to get excited to start rehearsals for our upcoming school musical!

#### **Actors**

Chanelle Helena

Aaliyah Misharrah

Stacey

Aaliyah

Jakob

Vitali

Samuel

Liam

Kieran

Claudette

Kirra

Misharrah

Ella

Helena

Koul

Seth

Malakai

Stacey

Angus

Zach

Gray

Scarlett

Bailey

Callie

Oli

Nicholas

Leo

Jade

Elisha

Elise

Connor

Kailie

Liam





Miss Kuss and Mr Hanley

#### **AUSTRALIAN THEATRE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE - SMARTS PROGRAM**

Twenty drama students were selected for a 4-day drama program, led by Australian Theatre for Young People (a Sydney based professional theatre company) supported by Ashley and Hayley from The Smith Family. The program included an excursion to the Festival Theatre to watch 'Every Brilliant Thing', by State Theatre Company, and a 3-day workshop with Tom Filer, a Sydney based professional film and theatre actor.

The students loved the performance of 'Every Brilliant Thing' and were extremely grateful for the opportunity to chat to lead actor Jimi Bani and learn all about the process of putting on a production.

The Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday workshop was hosted by Tom Filer from the Australian Theatre for Young People. The students learned all about improvisation, mime, breaking down scenes, devising new work and performing for an audience. Tom worked with students as a group and individually, giving feedback and teaching specific acting techniques. The program then finished with a performance to a number of industry professionals from both Adelaide and Sydney.

We are very grateful for the Smith Family for organising such an excellent program. This is an opportunity that doesn't come around very often, and I am proud of the professionalism, dedication, and enthusiasm of the 20 students from year 8 – 10 that participated in the workshop. What a great 4 days!

#### Zoe Muller 8-10 Drama Teacher







#### **FUN FACTS**

NAME: Lindsay Walters (Previously Lindsay Mildrum)
WHAT IS YOUR TITLE AT SSC: Special Education Teacher

HOW LONG HAVE YOU WORKED AT SSC: Last year and this year

2022 and 2023

**FAVOURITE SONG:** The Horses by Daryl Braithwaite

FUN FACT ABOUT YOURSELF: Born on Friday the 13th December

WHAT IS ON YOUR BUCKET LIST: Visit Canada

**NAME:** Janine Arkwright

WHAT IS YOUR TITLE AT SSC: Assistant Principal - Learning

Support, Special Education and Inclusion

HOW LONG HAVE YOU WORKED AT SSC: 8.5 years (my only job

since arriving in Australia)

FAVOURITE SONG: I have a different favourite for every mood

but I'll say Rick Astley - Never Gonna Give You Up

FUN FACT ABOUT YOURSELF: I am obsessed with Great White

Sharks and recently swam with them for my 50th birthday

WHAT IS ON YOUR BUCKET LIST: To bungee off something very

high over a lake in new Zealand

**NAME:** Michelle Forrest

WHAT IS YOUR TITLE AT SSC: Special Class Teacher

**HOW LONG HAVE YOU WORKED AT SSC:** About 17 or so years!

**FAVOURITE SONG:** I'm still loving the songs from the Ed Sheeran

concert so I'm going to have to go "Eyes Closed"

**FUN FACT ABOUT YOURSELF:** I own two mini sausage dogs Harold and Poops! (Yes, you read correctly, she earned the name

trust me!)

WHAT IS ON YOUR BUCKET LIST: To travel around England and

the USA, when I win the lottery!!!! lol

**NAME:** Ruby Jennings

WHAT IS YOUR TITLE AT SSC: Student Support Officer HOW LONG HAVE YOU WORKED AT SSC: Three years

**FAVOURITE SONG:** Square Hammer by Ghost

FUN FACT ABOUT YOURSELF: I enjoy arts and crafts of all types WHAT IS ON YOUR BUCKET LIST: I would love to travel to Japan









## Author Talk Nicholas Ellis





# WOODCROFT LIBRARY Sunday 18 June, 2-3pm

Join local author Nicholas Ellis for a free seminar for parents, caregivers and educators, based around his new book.

The Last Grape: Uncovering the Hidden Layers of Teenage Life will equip you with the tools needed to guide and support teenagers through the rollercoaster of adolescence.

For adults | Bookings via OnkaparingaLibraries.eventbrite.com



