Student Enrolment

We have started this year with 382 students which is 16 more than at the same time last year. Based on this enrolment figure we have begun the year with 14 classes. It is anticipated that we will grow to around 412 this year.

Meet The School Community BBQ on

Wednesday 13th February

Everybody is welcome to come along to our free sausage sizzle next Wednesday between 5.30pm and 7.30pm to meet the school community. The Staff are looking forward to meeting you. This will be held on the hall lawn just near the Frog Pond. Soft drinks will be on sale from the hall canteen. It is always a great night so come along!

Staffing News

Kate Chandler our Japanese teacher who also has a role as state Languages Project Manager.

Joel Bawden has been appointed as a contract teacher to work three days a week teaching PE NIT.

Lauren Thomas has been appointed as a contract teacher for our Year 3/4 class.

Seaside Cluster Leader at Seacliff PS

Murray Porter has been appointed for 2013 as our Seaside Cluster Australian Curriculum Facilitator for two days per week. On Thursdays and Fridays he will be supporting our Cluster schools including Seacliff. It is great to have curriculum leaders in our school as this adds to our collective expertise. Eric Letzepis is sharing the Yr 6/7 class with Murray. Eric knows many of these students as he has taught them before and they will closely coordinate their program and monitor student’s achievement.

Brian Schiller wins State award

Congratulations to Brian Schiller who has won the BHP Billiton State Science and Engineering Teacher Award for 2012. Brian was flown to Melbourne earlier this week where he was presented with his award. He was also interviewed and was in the running for the national award. This was eventually won by the representative from Western Australia. During the two days in Melbourne Brian met all the other finalists and discussed all things science with them! There were also 26 students who were representing their states as finalists. Brian was astounded at the quality of the work they presented. One student was investigating a cure for cancer and had made significant progress with her research! Brian has come back all fired up with lots of wonderful science stories and ideas. Well done Brian it is a well deserved accolade!!
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**SSO Support Team**

- Denise Hooper: Finance and Office Manager
- Sue Wright: Receptionist
- Glen Aho: Receptionist
- Susan Richardson-Jaeger: Classroom support, Library
- Mel Bourne: Classroom Support
- Jodie Terry: Classroom Support
- Kay Griffin: Library
- Michael Laing: Classroom support
- Phil Reimann: Grounds
- Evelyn Rooney: Front office support

**Quicksmart News**

Cathy Stevens will be continuing in her role as our Quicksmart Maths coordinator for students in Year 4 to 7. We have a team of people who are teaching this program.

Cathy and her team will also undertake the training for the Quicksmart Literacy training this year and she will also coordinate the program. The Quicksmart literacy program will begin later this term following the training. The program is for students who are at risk. These are students who are generally 12 months or more behind their chronological age in achievement. Cathy will also be teaching Yr 3/4 in Room 6 two days a week.
A snake at Seacliff!

A snake has been sighted on the grounds of Seacliff Primary School on Tuesday the 5th February.

Snake Aaaaway Services were called in and have searched the area where the snake was seen.

There has been a trap set to capture the snake, it is placed behind the shed by the eastern fence line and the area has been fenced off and is out of bounds to the children. The trap will be monitored daily. Any sightings should be reported straight away.

If the children see a snake they must stand still, walk away slowly and report it to the teacher straight away.

If a teacher sees a snake they must watch the snake from a safe distance until a snake catcher arrives.

The snake is believed to be an eastern brown snake and highly venomous. Baby brown snakes are hatching now (see photo att:) they are venomous from birth so do not attempt to remove a snake yourself.

For more information call Snake Aaaaway Services on 0413511440 or find us on Facebook.com/Snake Aaaaway Services

LAP is People Helping Children...

Can you please help and support someone who would greatly appreciate and benefit from your time and energy...

LAP is an acronym for Learning Assistance Programme. However over the years this programme has broadened its horizons to cater beyond students needing learning support. It is a programme which affords you the opportunity to share your time and skills with a student on a weekly or fortnightly basis.

If you have a spare moment and would be willing to assist us, we'd love you to come and help.

Even if you think your skills are limited, just your mere presence, conversation and encouragement would go a long way.

Hoping that you have a spare thirty or forty minutes to spend supporting a student in our school. Please feel free to contact me, in person, in Room 5, in writing or via email on Sonia.Dittmar980@schools.sa.edu.au.

Kind regards

Sonia Dittmar
We are geared for a very busy term.
Just to remind you an enrolment form must be completed each year as it is a legal requirement, or your child cannot attend.

There are mountains of lost articles which are returned to the school lost property each week.
We had a very successful vac care, the highlight being Greenhills and Team Trampolining.
We welcome new arrivals, they have settled in well.
Now that the fruit season is upon us, any donations would be welcome.

Di Bidmeade
on behalf of Adam Panetta

Welcome to 2013....from the Fundraising Committee:
We would like to take this opportunity to thank Seacliff families & the Community for your support during 2012.
We are excited to report that we raised approx $12,000 during 2012, which goes directly to the junior primary upgrade project.

If you would like to join the Fundraising Committee please come along to our first meeting for 2013.....being held in the Staff Room on Thursday 14 February at 9am.

Why get involved:
An opportunity to be involved with fundraising for your Child’s School
A chance to meet other parents/families of the School
An opportunity to bring forward your ideas
A chance to make a difference

We need your help & support to reach our fundraising goals for 2013.

In appreciation, The Fundraising Committee

SAFETY WHEN WALKING TO AND FROM SCHOOL
Children should stay on the footpath at all times. If there is no footpath, walk single file on the right hand side facing traffic, or reconsider allowing the children to use that route.
Be aware of your increased vulnerability when wearing personal headphones.
If using a skateboard, roller-blades, scooter or bikes, a helmet must be worn.
Be respectful of other members of the community using footpaths.