



From the Acting Principals...

Dear All

Welcome back. We have a busy term scheduled. Teachers will be busy reviewing achievement data, writing end-of-year reports, compiling class lists and ensuring completion of all end-of-year and 2011 organisation. The Year 3-8 teachers continue with preparations for their EOTC week. Athletics is the school-wide PE focus for the term and all students need to wear appropriate clothing and footwear for this training.

Staff Congratulations

Looking forward to next year, we have appointed two teachers to permanent positions. Victoria Martin's long-term relieving position has become a permanent position, and Chloe Marshall, who is currently providing release in a variety of classrooms, also joins the staff on a permanent basis. Unfortunately, we will be saying farewell to Megan Broadhurst who is moving to Whakatane. At the end of the year, Meg joined us 4 years ago from Tauranga while her husband was studying, and she is now returning to the sun and surf in the North to support her husband in his new career. Meg's warm, friendly personality has contributed tremendously to Seatoun School. She has worked conscientiously for the students in her class and will be greatly missed.

Wedding congratulations and our very best wishes were shared with Teresa Keeley at the end-of-term hui. Teresa got married during the holidays in Taupo on 10/10/10.

Baby congratulations go to Laurina Wylie, who gave birth to Eli, a very contented wee boy, in the first week of the holidays.

Student Congratulations

The end of last term saw many exciting events. The House Captains organised a wonderful talent quest, which we all enjoyed. Sabrina Kao, who deservedly won the Seatoun School Talent Quest's overall prize, also recently competed in the Wellington Piano Plus Festival, where she won her age group and received the Jack Melvin Class Performance Award.

Two other students to be congratulated are Tessa Hunt and Ella Berkhan, who both competed in the National Cross Country Race at Hanmer Springs. Tessa came 16th and Ella came 21st.

Our Year 8A Netball team won their grade in the Motu Kairangi Saturday competition. The Year 8B team also did extremely well by coming 2nd in their grade. We saw evidence of the Year 8's expertise when they played the staff in the final week of Term 3. It was the first time, that we can recall, that the students have beaten the teachers. A big thank you to Teresa Keeley for her organisation of Saturday netball, and to the coaches, managers and umpires for their efforts.

New Students

Two new children started school at the beginning of this term. They are Olivia Hay and Shayna Dahya, and their buddies are Jessica Patel and Carter Lemmon. Chanel Mitchell started today and her buddy is Bronny Hallet.

Computers

Tim Kong spent considerable time over the holidays upgrading many of the computers in the classroom.

Playground

Thank you Brett Linton and the PTA for the addition of the bold pirate flag to our ship. The children are delighted with it and it gives the ship lots of "Aye me hearties" character.

Looking Forward

The Starting School at 5 Parent Information Evening is coming up on the 28th October.

Principal Awards

Congratulations to the following children, who were awarded Principal Certificates in our last Hui.

Rm	Yr		Rm	Yr	
1	7 & 8	Alice Linton: having a superb work ethic, and a positive approach to all she does.	10	3 & 4	Stefan Jenkins: being such an enthusiastic learner and producing some great work.
2	7 & 8	Helena Georgiakakis: setting a good example for others by settling quickly to her work and completing it to a high standard.	11	3 & 4	Reuben Beard: positive attitude towards learning and dedicated work habits in all curriculum areas.
3	7 & 8	Mackenzie Hasson: a mature attitude showing willingness to help in any situation.	12	3 & 4	Ruby Roche: really getting stuck into her reading and writing.
4	2	Ezra Zabawny-Gillman: working so hard to present his work neatly and form letters correctly.	13	3 & 4	Sarah Cook: being such a positive, enthusiastic learner making good progress every day, through hard work and perseverance.
5	2	Jackson Rakena: working really hard in mathematics.	14	5 & 6	Sam Rowan: becoming a more disciplined and focused student, who is enthusiastic and generally awesome.
6	1	Veronika Dryburgh: showing a positive attitude to trying new things.	15	5 & 6	Molly McDougall: showing outstanding self-management and independence in her recent integrated studies research.
7	0	Amelia Ward: for kind and thoughtful words to new children.	16	5 & 6	Alex Simpson: working really hard and being efficient during integrated studies .
8	1	Emma Gadsby: learning how to find information to answer questions at reading time by using pictures and the contents page.	17	5 & 6	Scott Withell: listening closely, and for sharing his clear, well thought-out, logical opinions.
9	1	Ilaria Stefanidis: excellent effort with rainbow words.			

Regards,

Marion Hair and Susan Kliffen

From the Board...

Welcome back Pete, and many thanks Marion and Susan for doing such a great job over term 3.

Unresolved issues between the various contracting companies and the Ministry of Education are holding up the commencement of the remedial building work. This is frustrating for us as previously agreed schedules are falling by the way-side. Unfortunately matters are out of our control. Communications this week indicate that work will commence in early November, but we are not holding our breath.

Statements for donations and fees will be posted out early next week. Currently we are running about 10% below previous years and our budget figure.

Regards.

Richard, Sarah, Mark, Suzie, Justine and Jason

Talent Quest

At the end of last term we held the Seatoun School Annual Talent Quest and it was FANTASTIC! The audience was really supportive and quiet. All the participants were great and very patient. Thanks to all the parents that came to support all the amazing kids. We would like to congratulate the following winners:

Year 1-4

Best : Zuni Preece and Gemma Henneveld

Best Solo: Caitlin Gregan

Best Group: Mohi Kahui and Harrison Smith

Year 5-8

Best : Shenna Dunn, Alice Linton, Kellie Humphries, Laura Heycoop

Best Goup: Kellie Humphries, Laura Heycoop

Best Solo: Eva Malthus

Most Amusing: Lucas Redding and Curtis Mellsoy

Most Original: Mackenzie Hassen and Jake Paul

Best Instrumental: Nico Henneveld

Other

Judges Choice: Toby Bates

House Captains Choice: Alexander Barrat-Boyes

Overall Winner - Sabrina Kao!



Thanks from the House Captains

Starting School at 5

Parent Information Evening

Thursday 28 October 7pm School Library

Parents that have students, who have recently or are about to, start school are more than welcome to attend a presentation to let you know about our learning

programmes and general information about the school.

Looking forward to seeing you there.



Susan Kliffen, Rebecca Power and Louise

REMINDER!! REMINDER!! REMINDER!!

By now you should have received a photo order form/envelope. Please return this to your child's teacher with your order and correct money asap as photo's are being taken next Tuesday (19 October).

If your child hasn't received an envelope please see your child's teacher.

From the PTA...

Welcome back to the last term of 2010! We hope all families had a relaxing holiday. Our thanks to all those families who supported the LifePac emergency supplies fundraiser. The PTA raised \$2,000 from this which is a great effort. The LifePacs will be distributed in November.

Our next meeting is on Monday 18 October at 7.30pm in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome

National Cross Country

Tessa Hunt and Ella Berkhan competed in the National Cross Country champs last Term. Tessa came 16th and Ella 21st, which was exceptional. In order for these girls to qualify for this meet they had to achieve top ten placings in the school cross country, Eastern Zones, Wellington Zones and Regional Zones.

Sam Broadmore.

Community Notices (printed as space permits)

Shoes Wanted

In Tanzania, Africa there is an orphanage of 130 girls who desperately need shoes. All of their parents have died or are dying of AIDS.

For their fitness every morning they have to go on a 3km run. The girls are aged 13-25, and most of them don't have sport shoes. Instead they have to run bare foot or in jandals.

We are looking for sport shoes that are no longer needed that are in good condition (so no holey shoes please) to send to Tanzania. We would also appreciate good quality sports clothes.

There will be a crate in Room 2 for the next two weeks for any shoes and sports clothing which we will then send on to Tanzania.

Thanks,

Marran Young and Shenna Dunn.

New term of Little Dribblers starts October 16/17

Little Dribblers is a fun 10-week football programme for kids aged 1 – 7, providing an opportunity for parents and grandparents to spend quality time with their children, building basic coordination and life skills. Choose between Saturday mornings at Owhiro Bay School or Sunday mornings at Miramar Central School. Further info: www.little-dribblers.co.nz or email: wellington@little-dribblers.co.nz

Term 4, 11 October—17 December			
1	14	Thur	Steeple Rock
2	18	Mon	PTA Meeting, 7.30pm staffroom
	19	Tue	School Photos
		Fri	Hui
3	25	Mon	Labour Day Holiday
	28	Thu	Starting School at 5, Parent Information Evening Steeple Rock
	30	Sat	Staff Planning Day
4	2-4 Nov	T,W,Th	Eastern Zone Trials
	5	Fri	Hui
5	10	Wed	Eastern Zone Athletics
	11	Thur	Steeple Rock
6	17	Wed	Eastern Zone Athletics pp
	18	Thur	Y3-8 School Athletics Day BOT Meeting
	19	Fri	Hui
7	22	Mon	Y3-8 School Athletics Day pp
	24	Wed	Wellington Zone Athletics
	25	Thur	Enviro Group Day Steeple Rock
8	29 Nov - 3 Dec	Fri	Y5/6 EOTC Week Hui
	1 Dec	Wed	Wellington Zone Athletics pp
9	6 - 10		Y7/8 EOTC Week
	8	Wed	Y1 and 2 Athletics Day
	9	Thur	Steeple Rock
	10	Fri	Y1 and 2 Athletics Day pp Class Lists Home
10	13	Mon	Reports Home
	14	Tues	Parent Helper Morning Tea
	15	Wed	Y8 Formal
	16 Dec	Thur	Prizegiving
	17	Fri	Farewell Hui. Last Day of Term 4, 1pm finish.

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Newsletter
Newsletter contributions and feedback to Anne McLellan at admin@seatoun.school.nz.
Contributions for next issue by Monday 25th October, 2pm.

REMINDER!

Please remember to bring your sunhats to school, they are to be worn this term.

If you need to buy one visit the office.

Thank you!!