

From the Principal...

Dear All

Incredibly we are now half way through the term!

Many thanks to those families that returned the required slip indicating their choice of format for the newsletter and sports booklet. Most people still want hard copies. Many families didn't respond and so we are assuming no change, and hard copies will continue.

This week Finn McGee started with us. Meg Crowley is Finn's big buddy.

Congratulations:

1. Principal Awards

The following children were awarded Principal Certificates at our last hui. All of these students have made a fantastic start to 2010.

Rm	Yr		Rm	Yr	
1	7&8	Ruby Doyle: Making positive, thoughtful and mature contributions to her class	10	3&4	Olivia Erskine: Responsible, hardworking - great start to the year
2	7&8	Kate Nota: Positive, responsible attitude - great start to the year	11	3&4	Anika Dahya: Fabulous start to Y3- a delight to teach
3	7&8	Millie Newton-Rencen: Positive, mature attitude	12	3&4	Ella Horrell: Great start to Seatoun School
4	2	Henry Pickering: Awesome start to the year. Showing responsibility	13	3&4	William Poulter: Attitude and enthusiasm in reading and writing
5	2	Harry Kidd: Outstanding behaviour	14	5&6	Felicity Hogan: Positive attitude and 'have a go' approach
6	1	Yasmin Kesry: Responsible attitude and initiative	15	5&6	Charlotte Carter: Considerate, responsible classmate
7	0	No class yet	16	5&6	Olivia Jackson: Positive attitude and using initiative
8	1	Daniela Aharoni: Excellent listening and working hard to complete activities	17	5&6	William Bowler: positive attitude and enthusiasm
R9	1	No class yet			

2. National Surf Life Saving Competitions:

Tom and Katie Oolders, Kate Nota and Jessica Moore all competed in these competitions last weekend. Between them they competed in 12 finals. Kate won two silver medals and Jessica one silver medal. The final day of competition was cancelled due to the tsunami alert.

3. T-Ball:

Savannah Watson and Paris Lokotui were selected to play in the Wellington U9 Girls team to play in a triangular tournament against Hutt Valley and Kapiti last weekend. The girls informed me that they had a fantastic time despite the win/

loss tally not being in their favour.

4. Kids Literacy Quiz:

We have a proud tradition of doing very well in this competition. The two teams for this year comprise of: Lily Dalton, Ellie Davies, Sabrina Kao, Marran Young, Carrick Nisbet, Shenna Dunn, Barnaby Roche and Kellie Humphries. Understudies are Saama Dias and Anton Jenkins. This year Ann Vandendungen is again organising the Wellington Quiz, which is being held here at Seatoun School. A home advantage maybe?

Student Responsibilities:

Children are keen to accept the many opportunities provided to take on additional responsibilities. In addition to Big Buddies and House Captains we also have School Librarians and Envirokids, and this year, Junior Associates. We are also looking at the possibility of having senior students take on a bigger roll in the upkeep and running of the Food Technology area.

For the next few newsletters we are going to introduce one of these groups. To start the ball rolling, in this newsletter it is the turn of our House Captains.

Introducing the 2010 House Captains:

Crawford	Marran Young loves to read and play netball.	Ngaere Jenkins has attended Seatoun School for the last 3 years. After school she dances, plays netball and wharf jumps at Seatoun Beach.
Dorset	Lily Dalton has attended Seatoun School since she was five years old. She enjoys playing netball and playing with her dog.	River Rakena really enjoys playing basketball. He has been at Seatoun School for 8 years.
Falkirk	Alice Walker loves to play netball and dance.	Tom Oolders likes to play water polo and loves to eat. He has been at Seatoun School since YO and being a House Captain is a nice way to finish his time here.
Kupe	Matisse Barnard has been at Seatoun School her whole school life and she has enjoyed it so much!	Tohe Wanoa is really into soccer. He started at Seatoun School as a Y5 and has loved every year!



Bike & Scooters:

Despite my snap patrols and hui plea's children are persisting in riding out from the bike sheds at the end of the day. I have just received another complaint from a grandparent who was almost knocked over. Please talk to your children about this, and if you are accompanying them after school insist that they walk their bikes and scooters until they are well beyond the school. This also applies to preschoolers.

Starting School @ 5 Parent Information Evening: A reminder that this meeting is scheduled for 7.00pm this evening in the library.

Listening to Your Child Read - Guideline for Parents: Everything you ever wanted to know and were too afraid to ask! 9.00am - 10.20am on Friday 12 March in the library.

Seatoun School values a positive partnership with the community

Family Contact Booklet and School Donations and Fees:

Apologies, we are well behind the deadline we set ourselves! A combination of computer problems and the sheer time to get all the data inputted has been the problem. We are doing our best!



From the Board...

Hello Everyone

The momentum for the gala is gathering. Thank you to all those who are able to contribute in some way, and in particular the PTA fair committee for their unflagging energy and commitment to the school. Thank you also to the PTA for putting on a great new parents morning tea.

The Board's next meeting will be held in 2 weeks time. In the coming weeks information will be circulated by the appointed returning officer about the Board of Trustee Elections taking place 7th May. If you would like to talk with any member of the current Board about what is involved, please do not hesitate to contact any of us. Our details are on the back of this newsletter.

The Board are being kept up to date with developments and are keeping an open mind to the many different viewpoints that are being expressed. Since receiving the documents at the end of last year our teachers have been examining the requirements in greater depth and identifying any gaps between current achievement expectations and what has been stipulated. Other implications such as the timing and practical management of assessments and moderation are being worked through.

Letizea, Sandy, Simon, Suzie, Catherine, Helen, Pete and Jason

From the PTA...

Thanks to Isobel Findlay and her team for another great PTA lunch last Friday.

Planning is continuing at a pace for the Fair on 21 March. Look out for planning details in the weekly Fair updates that come home with your child. In particular, we have a working bee on Sunday 14 March at 2.30pm if you have an hour or two to spare. If you can help before the Fair, or on the day, please email Miriam Heycoop, heycoop@xtra.co.nz or Caroline Sarfati, caroline.sarfati@gmail.com.

The next PTA meeting is Monday 8 March at 7.30pm in the staff room. All welcome.

FLATMATE WANTED FOR SUNNY HOME IN

S E A T O U N ! ! ! !
I have a large unfurnished room available now, it has a double wardrobe with extra shelving and lots of storage space.
The room has a lovely bush outlook with plenty of sunlight streaming through the windows. Great for someone who loves the outdoors as the beach is just 100 metres down the road. It has plenty of parking and is a clean, modern, fully furnished home with broadband internet, 40" LCD TV and whitewear. The rent per week is \$190.00 + expenses (approx \$220 per week).
Give Jill a call if you're interested on 021 877018.

Seatoun Football Club

It is time to register for winter sports. Seatoun Football Club has Nursery Grade to Grade 13 teams. If your child is interested please go to the web site <http://seatounafc.org.nz> and download a registration form or call Suzie Bognar on 3885953.



Wellington Football Club



Junior Rugby 2010 Player Registrations

Where: Wellington Football Club, Hataitai Park, Ruahine St, Hataitai

Registration

Dates: Thur 4th March 5.30-7pm

First Games: Sat 17th April

Holiday

Programme: FREE to Wellington Football Club members.
Dates to be confirmed

Please contact Club Convenor:

Jonathon Bacon 388-4487 or 0274415148

www.axemenjuniors.org.nz

Seatoun School Netball 2010

Netball at Seatoun is looking strong again this year. Many children have expressed interest in playing, and we have already had some parents volunteering for coaching.

There will be a **netball meeting** for students and parents on **Wednesday the 24th of March at 7pm in the school hall**, so please mark this date in your diaries now. At this stage we still need more volunteers to coach netball teams. If you are able to coach a team, and/or if you have any questions or concerns about netball, please feel free to email me:

Teresa.Keeley@seatoun.school.nz



Term 1, 03 Feb - 01 April			
5	04	Thu	Starting School at 5 Parent Meeting, 7 - 8.30pm Steeple Rock
	05	Fri	Hui Y1/2
6	12	Fri	Listening to Your Child Read, 9am-10.30am, in the library
7	15	Mon	Dylan Elise Drummer 1.15pm
	18	Thu	BOT Meeting Steeple Rock
	21	Sun	Fair
8	22	Mon	Cross Country Training Begins
	24	Wed	Eastern Zone Miniball
9	Apr 01	Thu	Last Day Steeple Rock
Term 2, 19 April - 02 July			
1	Apr 19	Mon	Welcome Back Hui Y7/8 Swimming commences
	22	Thu	Dental Checks commence at school Steeple Rock
2	26	Mon	Gardasil Immunisation Y8 girls
	30	Fri	Kids' Lit. Qui.
3	May 5	Wed	Eastern Zone Netball
	06	Thu	Steeple Rock
	07	Fri	Hui Y3/4
4	11	Tues	School Cross Country
	12	Wed	Eastern Zone Netball pp
	13	Thu	School Cross Country pp
5	20	Thu	Steeple Rock
	21	Fri	Hui
6	25	Tue	Australasian Computer Test
	26	Wed	Eastern Zone Cross Country
7	Jun 02	Wed	Eastern Zone Cross Country
	03	Thu	Steeple Rock
	04	Fri	Hui
8	07	Mon	Queen's Birthday
9	15	Tue	Wellington Cross Country
	17	Thu	Wellington Cross Country pp Steeple Rock
	18	Fri	Hui
10	22	Tue	Australian Science and Writing Tests
11	29	Tue	Progress Conferences. School closed for instruction.
	July 1	Thu	Regional Cross Country Steeple Rock

Term 3, 19 July - 24 September			
1	July 22	Thu	Steeple Rock
2	26	Mon	Gardasil Immunisation Y8 Girls
3	Aug 03	Tue	Australasian English Test
4	22	Wed	Eastern Zone Swimming
5	17	Tue	Australasian Maths Test
6	25	Wed	Eastern Zone Soccer
7	Sept 01	Wed	Eastern Zone Soccer pp
8	8	Wed	Wellington Swimming
10	23	Thu	Wellington Cross Country
Term 4, 11 October - 17 December			
1	Oct 11	Mon	Welcome Back Hui
	14	Thu	Steeple Rock
2	20	Wed	Eastern Zone Hockey
	23	Sat	Planning Day (Staff)
3	25	Mon	Labour Day Holiday
10	Dec 16	Thu	Prizegiving
	17	Fri	Farewell Hui Last Day of Term, 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 15th March, 2010 by 2pm.	



Seatoun School Fair

Sunday 21 March 11am-3pm

Fair Newsletter Number Three

Thursday 4 March 2010

ATTENTION...ALL KIDS...FOR YOUR EYES ONLY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

We have loads of fun planned for all kids big and small on fair day so read below to see what we have in store for you.....
PARENTS READ TOO SO YOU KNOW WHAT THEY'RE UP TO AND WHERE YOU MAY BE ABLE TO HELP OUT....

The theme is **COUNTRY** and its going to be fun.....

HAYBALES are required so if you have any lying about
or you can help source some please let us know..



Included in the fun activities we have **GUMBOOT** throwing competitions so start practising your gumboot throwing at home (preferably in the back yard away from your little brothers and sisters!!!). We will also be having **TOILET ROLL** throwing competitions which is loads of fun but maybe don't practise that at home!!!!

**** WANTED ****

BEST DRESSED COWKID IN THE EAST

Dust off ya boots, toss on ya hat and get on down to the Fair for the Best Dressed Cowkid in the East Competition.
There'll be Rewards on the day for the best dressed so make sure ya check out the poster at school soon for more details, ya'll hear!

Any cowkid queries call Jane Crighton on 3883502

ALL YOU PETROL HEADS... we have some fun for you with cool race cars and hot rods you can enjoy a spin round Seatoun....**DADS** we need some extra help to control the crowds and collect tickets so if you can help contact us soon!

All you budding **PHOTOGRAPHERS** and **PET LOVERS**.....there will be a great competition which you can start thinking about now....dress your dog/cat/rabbit/other animal you may have for the following:

- Owner - Animal Lookalike
- Tallest Animal
- Smallest Animal
- Fluffiest Animal
- Most Original



The entry forms are at the office. This will cost \$2 per photo 6"x 4" (or A5 on photocopy paper). You may enter as many times as you wish, \$2 per entry (single photo) please state which category. **SMOOCH POOCH** are sponsoring this event, there will be loads of prizes!!!! **Please look out for the posters around the school with all the details by the end of the week.**

Lots more activities plannedcool bouncy castles and massive slides....hot dogs and candyfloss, lucky dips wheelbarrow races.....Parents if you can help out in this fun area**DADS** are very handy to have around.... please get your names to:

Fiona White 3888924

Miriam Heycoop 3808005

Seatoun School Fair Sunday 21 March **REQUEST**

As in previous years, we will be having the popular ***Gourmet Food Basket Raffle*** and the ***Grocery Trolley Raffle***.

We need your help. We would appreciate if you could donate an item for each of these raffles. If you can also spare a bottle of wine, that would be hugely appreciated for the various other raffles.



Gourmet Food Raffle Ideas

- Pot of mustard, sauce or homemade jam/preserves
- Chocolates, nice biscuits or crackers
- Olive oil or vinegars, wine
- Specialty teas or coffees
- Dried fruits or nuts



Grocery Raffle Ideas

- Tea, coffee, biscuits
- Breakfast cereals or spreads
- Tinned foods - spaghetti, tomatoes, tuna, etc
- Cleaning products
- Shower gels, soap

Please leave items in the Hall Kitchen in the marked boxes no later than Friday 12th March.

Thank you for your support and have a fun time at the Fair!

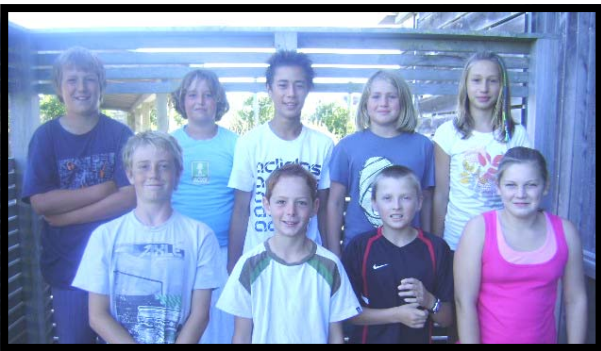
Sports Update

EZ Cricket

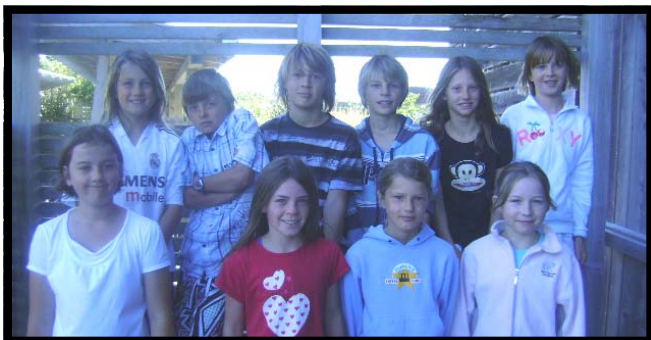
Last Wednesday the senior students took part in the annual Eastern Zones cricket tournament. There was a Y5-6 team and a Year 7-8 team. Both teams won all their games and played with their usual positive, competitive spirit. Wellington Firebird alrounder Harry Boam came along to give the boys a few pointers. He commented that he was very impressed with the technique and around ability of our young players.

Waterpolo

The Y7-8 A grade Waterpolo team has started strongly this season with three wins and only one loss.



The 5-7 B Grade team has also started well with one win and one loss.



For practice times and the weekly sports draws please remember to check the school website (www.seatoun.school.nz)

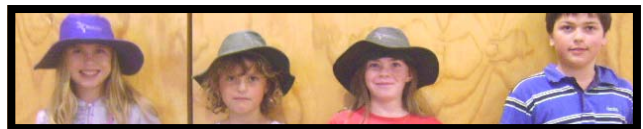
Touch Rugby

The touch season started well with all five teams winning their opening matches. Last night, in round two, The Y5-6 girls, Y7-8 girls and one of the Year 5-6 boys teams won their games convincingly. The Y7-8 boys draw their game against Scots College, while the other Y5-6 boys team lost narrowly to Scots.

Flipperball

The Flipperballers have two teams this year. The Stingrays are yet to win their first game, but have shown great improvement in catching and throwing as well as general game awareness. They are looking forward to a win next week.

The crocodiles have enjoyed one win this season and are improving every week.



Some of the Crocodiles



Some of the "Stingray" stars