FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL’S DESK 4th August, 2016

BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND: HABIT 2

‘Never give up on a dream just because of the time it will take to accomplish it.’

The time will pass anyway.’ Earl Nightingale

In last week’s Newsletter Habit 2 referred to the importance of having goals and mission statements. One of our recent short term goals was the installation of the new play equipment – achieved, and what fun the students are having using it and challenging themselves on it! State Schools Spectacular students planned and ran a sweet stall that raised $251 to help pay for their tshirts and travel costs. We have had 2 truck loads of mulch delivered that the students have enjoyed wheelbarrowing to the garden beds while other students have planted many new trees and shrubs.

Last week I asked parents for ideas we might use as our new Mission Statement next year and am pleased with 2 suggestions: ‘You are unique, you can succeed, you are you at Seaford Primary.’ ‘Every child is unique, every child can succeed, YOU ARE YOU!’

Our year 5/6 classroom Mission Statement developed together is: ‘The students of 5/6 will learn new things each day as learning is a life long journey. All of us will respect and encourage others. We will be role models for all students. We are all committed to meet our goals by being focused, working together, communicating and listening. We all strive to be leaders every day by following the 7 Habits.’

3/4H Mission Statement is: ‘We are a happy, polite, focused, friendly, resilient group in 3/4H.’

‘In the Language Unit we will be respectful, sensible, helpful, honest, kind, happy, positive and caring.’

‘1/2W: we make our class great by 1. Listening to each other 2. Being kind to each other 3. Helping each other 4. Remembering our manners. Every week we learn new things, work to our goals, have fun and synergise ……because together is better!’

Next week we move onto Habit 3 Put First Things First – the moto of a principal’s job!

Have a good week

Robyn

DIARY DATES

School Banking every Tuesday throughout the School Term

5th August
Interschool Sport Years 5/6
10th August
State Schools Spectacular Rehearsal Melbourne Town Hall
12th August
Interschool Sport Years 5/6
19th August
Interschool Sport Years 5/6
24th August
Pre-School Visit
2nd September
Fathers’ Day breakfast
District Athletics
Final payment required for 5/6 camp
3rd September
Working Bee
8th, 9th, 10th September
State Schools Spectacular
16th September
Whole School Concert
End of Term 3. Children finish at 2.30p.m.
3rd October
Start of Term 4
3rd—7th October Year 5/6 Canberra Camp

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Phoenix received his Dollarmites Awards from the Commonwealth Bank for banking regularly into his bank account.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Displayed on the Noticeboard in the corridor outside the Office.

- Seaford Girl Guides
- 1st Seaford Scout Group—Joey Scouts are looking for new members.
- Abs-olute Muscle Tone and Fitness—Personal Training
- 2 Day Junior Basketball Camp with Melbourne United Basketball Club
- Anglicare Victoria—Information Sessions, Parents Building Solutions
  - Your Child’s Social and Emotional IQ
  - Parenting Adolescents
  - Managing Stress and Anxiety in Children
  - Parenting After Separation
- Andrew Fuller—How To Deal with Young People and Guide them to Success
- Understanding and Supporting Children with Anxiety
- U12 Trial Moorabbin Rugby Club
FOR YOUR INFORMATION

BY MICHAEL WOOLSEY,
School Community Liaison Officer

CYBERBULLYING (part 2)

The bullying that comes home with them....

The use of social media is increasing worldwide. Websites, email, ipads and mobile phones are all potential ways for bullying to occur on this social media. Whether it is sending messages in chatrooms, texting, emailing, posting or blocking- many students will have encountered bullying in some form through these avenues.

This ‘covert’ bullying is increasing in incidence with far-reaching short and long-term effects on social, emotional and mental health of the bullied individual/s.

Teenagers are the group most affected by this form of bullying.

What can parents do?

Discuss bullying and cyberbullying with their children in an age appropriate manner.
Encourage safe online behaviour and why it is needed.
Explore the internet with your child and get to know your child’s friends, favourite websites, favourite blogs, etc.
Explain that rules about meeting people in real life apply to meeting people online, e.g. speaking to strangers or giving out personal information to strangers.

For more information, visit the following online safety website:
Ikeepsafe  http://www.ikeepsafe.org/ provides families with all the tools, education and resources they need to stay safe online.

HEY DEE HO MUSIC VACANCIES

We are pleased to advise that we have a number of vacancies at our 11 am session on a Wednesday Morning.

Please contact the school on 97861357 if you would like to book one of these places.