

12 December, 2025



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Friday 12 December – Early dismissal 2:15pm

Niina Marni - Well, here we are at the close of another school year—and what a year it has been!

As I look back over 2025, I am filled with pride for everything we have achieved together as a school community. From the excitement of Sports Day, Swimming and Aquatics, to the energy of SAPSASA events, the magic of Choir and the Festival of Music, our ever-popular Book Fair and Book Week celebrations, as well as our wonderful Celebration Evening, Graduation, camps, excursions, and so much more. Each of these moments has helped shape an exciting and supportive environment for our students.

This week, we celebrated our Year 6 Graduation, a highlight of our year. I was genuinely impressed with the way our graduating students presented themselves—it was clear many were a little nervous, but they stepped up courageously and made us all proud. To our graduates, I wish you every success as you begin your high school journey. I know you will continue to approach new challenges with the same determination and enthusiasm you have shown here at Seacliff.

As the year draws to a close, we also bid farewell to several staff members who are moving on to new adventures: Jessica Watson, Rosie Nunu, Amy Solomon, and Molly Prow. Thank you for your contributions to our school. We hope to see some of you return to Seacliff in the future, but for now, we wish you nothing but the best for what lies ahead.

I would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our Governing Council, so ably led by Chairperson Petr Pavlik, along with all the sub-committees—Fundraising, Finance, and OSHC—for your unwavering commitment and collaboration. Your dedication has made a positive impact throughout the year and helps drive meaningful outcomes for our school.

Please see below for Governing Council approved dates for 2026 Pupil Free Days and School Closure:

- **Term 1: Tuesday March 10th** (the day after the Adelaide Cup Day public holiday)
- **Term 2: Monday May 18th**
- **Term 3: Monday July 20th** (First day of Term 3)
- **Term 4: Closure Day - Friday November 20th** (after Celebration Night)
Pupil Free Day – Monday November 23rd



Outdoor Play Space update

This week the trampoline was opened for children to use. The trampoline can be found near the Rainbow Playground and has been very popular already!

The Year 1 – 6 SRC leaders developed agreements for use to support all children to enjoy this new equipment safely:

- one person at a time
- if waiting for a turn - wait in a line at least a metre away.
- Keep taking turns so that everyone can have a go.

Trampolines are inclusive for all children and support their physical development as well as their regulation. We thank our school community for assisting us with this achievement by supporting fundraising efforts throughout the year.



Behind the scenes, our teachers have worked diligently to finalise student placements for next year, working hard to accommodate parent requests wherever possible. On Thursday, students will spend time with their new teachers and classmates for 2026, and you will find class notifications alongside your child's end of year report, sent home on Thursday. I want to acknowledge the complexity of this process—while every effort is made, it is not possible to meet every request, and often there are competing needs. Please be assured that our efforts are always centred on providing the best possible learning environments for every child at Seacliff.

Sometimes students will find that they are not placed in a class with some of their friends. While change can be a little challenging, it also provides valuable opportunities to widen friendship circles and build new connections. Existing friendships can continue to flourish in the playground, at recess and lunch, and before school.

Thank you to all our volunteers who have contributed their time and energy throughout the year. Recently, we held our Volunteer Appreciation Assembly, proudly acknowledging over 100 volunteers. Your support makes a real difference to school life. If you're interested in joining our wonderful volunteer team in 2026, please visit the school website or contact the Front Office.

As we wrap up 2025, I want to personally thank every staff member for your unwavering dedication to ensuring each student receives outstanding learning experiences and opportunities. I hope you all enjoy a well-deserved holiday break—it is thoroughly deserved.

To our incredible students: congratulations on your learning, your achievements, and your efforts in extracurricular activities. I look forward to another fantastic year in 2026 as we continue to learn, grow, and achieve together.

Have a safe and restful holiday. I look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Tuesday, 27 January 2026.

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Sue Matene
Principal



Lost Property

We have endeavoured to return all named items to their owners. Please check lost property for any of your missing uniform items.

Year 6 Graduation

On Tuesday 9th December, the Year 6 students celebrated their Graduation. The night began with a dinner at Charlie's Diner, followed by a ceremony at school. During the ceremony, students spoke about one another with kindness and gratitude, highlighting the strong friendships and support within the cohort.

The following students were recognised for their outstanding efforts and achievements this year:

Academic Endeavour: Emmy Morgan

Academic Achievement: Grace Nairn

School Values: Sierra Richards

Excellence in Numeracy: Jonathan Awad

Excellence in Literacy: George Kelly

PE Award: Jesse Piovesan

Japanese Award: Sam Lo

Performing Arts Award: Florence Drage

Molly Bryne Award (presented by Alex Dighton): Bronte Sandery

We wish all our Year 6s the very best as they begin their high school journey. You will always be a part of the Seacliff family, and we are incredibly proud of all that you have achieved.

Student Acts of Service



Through their amazing Market Stalls on Celebration Night Room 15 raised \$877.45.

The class chose the Make-A-Wish Foundation as the charity they would donate this money to – well done kids!!



Celebration night raffle winners



Notification of works

As part of the City of Holdfast Bay Road Construction Program, our contractor Kites Concrete will be undertaking kerb ramp upgrades kerb and water table works in Kauri Parade (Pine Avenue to Barwell Avenue).

Works are expected to be undertaken in two stages, the first stage commencing Monday 15 December 2025 for one week and the second stage commencing early January 2026 for up to two weeks.

All works are anticipated to be completed prior to school returning, unless program interruption occurs due to inclement weather. The scope of works includes:

- Reconstructing lifted and damaged kerb and water table.
- Upgrading kerb ramps at the school crossing to be compliant with Australian Standards and Disability Discrimination Act.

During construction, there will be traffic management and temporary parking controls in place for the safety of the workers and the public, this will include road closures and detours.

We apologise for any inconvenience during construction and ask for your patience when works are affecting your driveway. We will endeavour to make minimal disruption to your daily activity.

Kites Concrete will send a further notification to affected residents prior to site works commencing with further details.

Yours sincerely

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