



Seaton Sluice First School Newsletter 16- Summer Term 1

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Attendance for this week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
100%	94.6%	99.2%	97.9%	97.5%

Well done **RED CLASS** for having the best attendance this week.

PLEASE REMEMBER...the overall target for our school attendance is **96.2%**.

There are still many families requesting time off school for holidays. As a school, we promote a culture where families fully understand the impact of children missing sustained periods of time away from school. Often they do not have the opportunity to revisit key areas and gaps emerge in their understanding which has a detrimental effect on their overall progress.

Please carefully consider this when planning holidays that affect school term time.

Celebrating Achievements



We have a full list of amazing achievements to celebrate in this newsletter:

Name of child	Class	Achievement
Emily E	Orange	Well done for achieving your Learn To Swim Stage 3 award- you are doing so well Emily! Also, Emily achieved her Level 7 Proficiency Award in gymnastics. What a superstar!
Ethan A	White	Ethan was awarded 'Beaver of the Month' at 2 nd Seaton Delaval Scout Group for March. You should be very proud of yourself Ethan!
Ava H	Purple	Ava passed her dance exam on 23 rd March achieving her bronze medal. What a superstar!
Drue B	Purple	Well done Drue for passing your Learn To Swim Stage 2 award. Keep it up- we are proud of you.
Xander B	Yellow	Xander passed his Learn To Swim Stage 1 swimming. A great achievement!
Alice S	Orange	Alice is another budding gymnastics star. Well done for passing you Level 7 Proficiency Award in gymnastics.



Easter Hat Competition

Well done to EVERYONE for the unbelievable efforts put into creating such brilliant Easter hats. To be honest, the task of judging was the hardest ever and poor Mr Green was given the job of selecting winners based on originality and effort. The display of hats at the front of the school was simply out of this world. Thank you to everyone who participated and also to the PTFA for providing the prizes.

Year 4 Biking Experience

Just before the Easter holidays, all of our Year 4 children participated in a full day of biking with our biking expert coach, Richard Rothwell. They had a fantastic experience and some of them even braved hailstones as part of their journey! Richard complimented the class for their efforts and excellent behaviour. Well done Year 4 and special thanks to Mrs Walsh and Mrs Wake for accompanying them.

Reading At Home

Teachers are noticing that a large number of children are not reading each night to a grown up at home. As a school, we keep written homework to a minimum as we believe that the most important homework that your child can do to maximise progress is reading. Furthermore, it is a lovely activity to share on an evening including enjoying a story together before bed time. Please try to make time to read regularly with your child and encourage a love of reading. Thank you for your support.

Successful Grant Applications

We have more good news regarding successful grant bids by the PTFA, led by Sharon Stirling. The Community Foundation have approved £2000 funding to purchase a Dutch barn that will be located next to our forest school area. There will be a door into and out of the barn leading into our school 'forest' area (a bit like the wardrobe in Narnia!) In addition to this, Northumbrian Water has agreed to fund £1000 towards a willow weaving structure. Our genuine thanks go to the PTFA for their amazing efforts in applying for the different grants. This year, £14,000 has been raised through grants. This makes a significant difference to school life and what we are able to improve with regard to extra provision for our children.

Seaton Sluice Has Got Talent

On Wednesday 18th April, the school enjoyed watching a wealth of talent across the school. The acts ranged from performing animals to reciting poetry. It was absolutely wonderful to see the confidence and the number of children who were happy to get up, give it a go and do their best. The teachers are currently short-listing the acts for our Grand Final on Friday 4th May at 6pm. Tickets will cost £2 each (on sale from Tuesday 24th April at the school office) and the show will take place at Seaton Sluice Community Centre. Well done to everyone for auditioning.

Family Fun Day

There will be a family fun day at Seaton Sluice Community Centre on Saturday 7th July. All families are welcome. More information to follow.



SUMMER TERM DIARY DATES

Please check every newsletter as this list will be regularly updated.

April	
Mon 16 th Apr	TRAINING DAY
Wed 18 th Apr	SSFS Has Got Talent Auditions Round 1
Fri 20 th Apr	Sing Into Spring- family event at Seaton Delaval Hall- 2pm
Wed 25 th Apr	Year 4 trip to Robin Wood- 3 day residential
Wed 25 th Apr	Year 3 School Games- GOLF (1 team)
May	
Fri 4 th May	SSFS Has Got Talent Final 6:00-7:30pm
Mon 7 th May	May Day Bank Holiday
Tues 8 th May	School Sponsored Walk 2pm
Mon 14 th May	Key Stage 2 Art/History Day at Seaton Delaval Hall 11:00-2:30pm
Tues 15 th May	Key Stage 1 Art/History Day at Seaton Delaval Hall 11:00-2:30pm
Wed 16 th May	Quad Kids Athletics Event- whole school
Thurs 17 th May	School Games- Y3/4 Rugby (1 team)
Wed 23 rd May	Reception and Y4 Class Photos, teams and siblings group photos
Thurs 24 th May	Daft As A Brush bulb planting- am (6 children selected)
Fri 25 th May	Break up for half-term
June	
Mon 4 th June	Return to school
Mon 4 th June	Father's Day donations collected this week
Wed 6 th June	NUFC Young Reporters Scheme Y3 and Y4 begins (every Wednesday)
Thurs 14 th June	Father's Day PTFA Stall
Tues 19 th June	Singing Spreads Sunshine Singing Event- Whitley Bay Playhouse 7pm
Wed 20 th June	Y2 Multi-skills Festival Astley Community High School
Wed 20 th June	Y3 and Y4 Young Reporters Visit to St James' Park
Mon 25 th June	Nursery Sports Day (am)
Mon 25 th June	Reception Sports Day (pm)
Tues 26 th June	Years 1 and 2 Sports Day (pm)
Wed 27 th June	Years 3 and 4 Sports Day (pm)
Fri 29 th June	Year 3 Sports Leader Training (pm)
Sat 30 th June	PTFA SUMMER FAIR 10am-2pm
July	
Wed 4 th July	New Reception Parents Meeting 6pm
Thurs 5 th July	Sept 2018 Year 3 Parents Meeting 6pm
Fri 6 th July	Parents receive pupil reports
Mon 9 th July	Transition Week for middle school
Wed 11 th July	Move to new classes for afternoon 1:30-3:00pm
Mon 16 th July	PTFA Summer Disco 3:30-5:00pm
Tues 17 th July	Year 4 Leaver's Production at SS Community Centre 9:30am
Wed 17 th July	Year 4 Leaver's Production at SS Community Centre 6pm
Thurs 18 th July	Rec and Year 1 Cinema Experience in hall 1pm
Thurs 19 th July	Years 2, 3, 4 Cinema Experience at SS Community Centre 1pm
Fri 20 th July	Break up for Summer!