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SEATON SLUICE FIRST SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER 1- AUTUMN TERM 1

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Attendance for this week

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
Part-time this week	Part-time this week	97.3%	95.2%	92.4%	98.9%

Attendance is calculated according to each child's age and the year group they are registered within.

Please note that any holidays booked within term time cannot be authorised unless regarded as 'exceptional circumstances'. Our whole school target is 96.2%

Well done to Year 4 for achieving a fantastic percentage of 98.9%.

Keep it up everyone.

A Superstar Start!

We are over the moon with how well the start of our new term has gone. We are delighted to welcome new pupils into 'The Lighthouse', Year 1 and Year 2. They are very much part of our Seaton Sluice family and it feels like they have been with us for so much longer! All of our pupils across the school (all 173 children!) have been fantastic; settling into new routines, displaying our special school values, working incredibly hard and being kind and considerate to each other. Well done everyone!

Changing for P.E

The NSPCC recommends the following as best practice for when changing for P.E:

- Where possible, use designated single-gender changing rooms or areas. If this is not possible and boys and girls change together, think about using furniture or screens to provide separate areas.
- Mixed gender changing areas are less appropriate as children get older and staff need to be sensitive to those who physically mature at a much earlier or later age than their peers. Boys and girls should change separately after they reach Year 2.
- Schools need to treat all pupils fairly and with respect for their privacy and dignity.
- Schools should make adequate and sensitive arrangements for changing which take into account the needs of pupils with disabilities and children from different religions, beliefs and cultural backgrounds or gender identity.

In response to this guidance, we will make arrangements for separate changing areas for pupils in Years 3 and 4.



Sweets for Birthdays

As part of our commitment to promoting healthy lifestyles, we kindly request that sweets or treats are not sent into school for birthdays. We are also mindful of not putting pressure on families from a financial point of view. As a school, unless otherwise informed, we will celebrate birthdays in whole school assemblies by singing a song to the children and presenting them with a sticker to wear. Thank you for your support.

School Census Day- themed school lunch

Census day will take place on Thursday 7th October. All children across the school are invited to have a special 'SPORT'S FUNDAY LUNCH'. This will be **free** for **pupils up to Year 2** (who are entitled to universal free school meals) and can be purchased for a one-off payment of £2.40 for pupils in Years 3 and 4. Please see separate letter from Mrs Johnson for arrangements.

Hello Yellow Day

Children are invited to wear something yellow on Friday 8th October to support 'Young Minds' charity. We will be promoting the importance of fresh air and exercise to support our well-being and mental health.

Flu vaccinations- change of date

Thank you to everyone for returning your consent forms for this year's flu vaccination programme. This has been extremely helpful. Unfortunately, the date has been postponed to Monday 8th November but we are now well prepared and ready.

Stars of the Week

Well done to the following children who received a 'Star of the Week' certificate this week:

The Lighthouse: Betsy, Charlie, Alfie, Miray, Leyland, Amber, Tyler

Reception: To be awarded next week when class are full time

Year 1: Rosy and Mason

Year 2: Chloe and Penny

Year 3: Louise and Theo

Year 4: Jack and Mal



We are very proud of you!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
Mon 27 th Sept	Reception Parents Meeting 2:30pm-3:00pm
Wed 29 th Sept	Reception Parents Meeting 6:00pm-6:30pm
Thurs 7 th Oct	Census Day- SPORT'S FUNDAY LUNCH
Fri 8 th Oct	Hello Yellow Day- to support well-being and good mental health
Tues 12 th Oct	Year 4 'Little Inventors Digital Experience'
Tues 19 th Oct	Parental Consultations 3:30pm-6:00pm
Wed 20 th Oct	Parental Consultations 3:30pm-6:00pm
Thurs 21 st Oct	Year 4 Class Assembly 9:00am-9:40am- parents/carers invited
Fri 22 nd October	Break up for Half -Term
Mon 1 st Nov	Return to school
Mon 8 th Nov	Whole school flu vaccination programme (am)
Wed 10 th Nov	Whole school photos (am)
Thurs 18 th Nov	Year 3 Class Assembly 9:00am-9:40am parents/carers invited
w/c Mon 22 nd Nov	Books for Bugs Virtual Book Fair (all week)
Tues 7 th Dec	Nursery Christmas Production 9:15am-10:15am
Tues 7 th Dec	Reception Christmas Production 1:30pm-2:30pm
Wed 8 th Dec	Reception Christmas Production 9:15am-10:15am
Wed 8 th Dec	KS1 (Y1 and Y2) Christmas Production 1:30pm-2:30pm
Thurs 9 th Dec	KS1 (Y1 and Y2) Christmas Production 9:15am-10:15am
Thurs 9 th Dec	KS2 (Y3 and Y4) Christmas Production 1:30pm-2:30pm
Fri 10 th Dec	KS2 (Y3 and Y4) Christmas Production 9:15am-10:15am
Tues 14 th Dec	Class Winter Market Stalls 2:00pm-3:00pm
Wed 15 th Dec	Nursery and Reception Christmas Party (am)
Wed 15 th Dec	Years 1 and 2 Christmas Party (pm)
Thurs 16 th Dec	Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party (pm)
Friday 17 th Dec	Break up for Christmas Holidays
Tues 4 th Jan	Teacher Training Day
Wed 5 th Jan	Return to school for pupils