

# Seghill First School Newsletter January 2020 edition 2

<b>Whole school attendance since September 2019</b>	<b>94.4%</b>	<b>Attendance target</b>	<b>96.3%</b>
<b>Attendance this term so far</b>	<b>97.0%</b>	<b>Number of late marks this term so far</b>	<b>32</b>

## School meals

Our brilliant school cook, **Mrs Rogage** continues to cook delicious **school meals** on the premises every day and we are currently providing more school meals than ever before.

## Cost

**School meals cost £2.30 per day or £11.50 for a week.** Please make a note of these prices as a number of parents continue to send in the wrong money each week.

## Menus

We have a three week rolling menu. Each term always starts with the week one menu. The menus are on the school website in the “**information for parents**” tab.

## Food choice

As you will see from our menu, we offer one **hot meal** every day with a **dessert or fruit**. Children are also able to help themselves from the **salad bar**. If your child has a **food intolerance or allergy**, please make an appointment to see Mrs Rogage. She will agree a bespoke **medically prescribed menu** for your child to ensure their dietary requirements are met. For example, a child who must follow a dairy free diet will be provided with a dairy free alternative on days when the hot meal is pizza or if the dessert is rice pudding.

When Mrs Rogage cooks alternatives for a medically prescribed menu, she inevitably has some spare items. Pork sausages instead of pizza may be provided for a dairy free diet. Sausages do not come in packs of 2, so she would cook the whole pack and some children will have the choice of sausage or the hot meal of the day.

Please note that we are not able to provide bespoke meals for children because they don't like the hot meal choice. Recently we have had parents asking Mrs Elliott if Mrs Rogage will cook something else for their child because they don't like the menu choice and some parents have even stopped Mrs Rogage on her way in to work to ask for special requests too.

Mrs Rogage is extremely accommodating and goes way above and beyond her paid role in school to provide extras for our children. She cannot provide bespoke meals for children based on likes and dislikes. If your child does not like to meal choice on the menu, then parents have to make the decision to order a school meal and their child should leave what they don't like or parents should provide a packed lunch for their child on that day.

## Star of the week

Our stars of the week from week beginning Monday 13 and 20 January are-  
**Mrs Bell's star** Mason and Alfie;  
**Mrs Lyons' star** Rachael and Connor  
**Mrs Knowles' star** Freya and Emily;  
**Mrs Kembrey's star** Layton and Olivia;  
**Mrs Askew's star** Bailey D and Isla;  
**Support staff star** Angel;  
**Miss Chappell's star** Beau and Evie;  
**Miss Chappell's staff star** Miss Edmondson, Miss Neal and Mr Walker.

## Aladdin pantomime

We have arranged a special treat for children in red, green and blue class. M and M Theatrical Productions will be putting on a performance of **Aladdin** in our hall for the children during the morning of **Thursday 30 January**. This performance is suitable for children in key stages 1 and 2. We are using money from fundraising to pay for it so there is **no cost to parents**.

## Dukeshouse Wood deposits

Reminder- **Monday 10 February** is the deadline for **£40 deposits** for Dukeshouse Wood for our current Year 3 pupils for their visit in September.

## February 2020

Friday 07	Blue class assembly 8:45am
w/b Monday 10	Topic week with a focus on RE
Wednesday 12	Gymnastics festival for Year 3 and 4 gymnastics squad
Friday 14	Spring A celebration assembly 2:15pm Non-uniform in aid of school fund
Monday 17 to Friday 21 February school closed for February half term	
Monday 24	School opens for spring term B
Friday 28	Blue class visit to Holy island 8:15am to 4:00pm

## March 2020

Thursday 05	World Book Day book sale and coffee morning 8:45am
Friday 06	Green class assembly 2:15pm
Thursday 12	Sport Relief fun run
Wednesday 16	Full governing body meeting 5:00pm
Friday 20	Mother's day lunch

## April 2020

Thursday 02	Spring B celebration assembly 8:45am Easter egg competition judged in celebration assembly Easter disco 3:15pm
Friday 03	School closed- staff training day
Monday 06 to Friday 17 April school closed for Easter holidays	
Monday 20	School opens for the summer term

### Being safe on line and playing games- PEGI age ratings

Age ratings ensure that entertainment content – such as films, DVDs, and games – is clearly labelled for the minimum age group for which it is suitable. Age ratings provide guidance to consumers to help them decide whether or not to buy a particular product. Since 2012, **PEGI** has been the sole system used in the UK for new console and PC games.



We hear lots of children talking about games that they play either themselves on their PC or as part of an online community where they play against a virtual opponent. It can be hard for parents to know what is and what isn't appropriate and we realise that peer pressure can play a part in this too. [ask about games website](#) has a **useful parents' guide** for parents to check the PEGI rating for games. It is part of a parent's duty to safeguard their child by ensuring that they **only access materials that are age appropriate**. It will raise a safeguarding concern if we have evidence to suggest that parents are not safeguarding their children by allowing them to access materials that are not age appropriate. Age limits for games and sites that we hear children talk about are- Fortnite (PEGI 12+); Call of Duty (all versions PEGI 18+); Apex Legends (PEGI 16+); Facebook account 13+; Instagram account 13+.

### Caretaker

I am delighted to announce that we have appointed **Scott Ruler** to be our new caretaker. Scott attended this school as a pupil and his children followed in his footsteps and also attended our school. We are very much looking forward to him joining our team later this term.

In the meantime, **Mrs Collier** has been doing a marvellous job making sure our school is clean and secure and we are very grateful to her for the extra workload that she has taken on.

### Half term multi skills course

Please see attached flier from **Shape Performance** about a **half term holiday multi skills course** at Astley High School. Shape Performance is owned by Mr Dowson, who regularly works in our school teaching PE and providing after school clubs.

### Spring term coffee mornings

Thank you to everyone who attended our **spring term coffee morning**. We hope you found them useful, especially our new **knowledge organisers**.

