



Seaton Sluice First School

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Red	Orange	Yellow	White	Purple
94.8%	92.3%	95.0%	93.8%	94.5%

Yellow Class has the best attendance this week with 95.0%!!! **WELL DONE EVERYONE!**

Our overall school target for attendance is 96%

Facebook

As many of you will know the school has its own Facebook page which is well used by staff and parents. It helps with communication, messages, reminders as well as being somewhere to celebrate and share children's work.

Some classes find it helpful to have an informal Facebook page organised by themselves for communication about things happening at school in their child's class. This is a great idea and I am in support of anything that helps parents keep in touch with what is going on at school. For those parents/carers who do use Facebook in this way please remember that it should only be used for the sharing of information and that comments about other parents/carers, the school or staff would result in an investigation by the school and would be taken very seriously.

Absence from school

If your child has sickness and/or diarrhoea they should not return to school until 48 hours have passed from the last vomiting or diarrhoea attack.

Children with infections such as impetigo and conjunctivitis need to be seen by a doctor or pharmacist and advice taken as to whether absence from school is necessary. Both of these infections are very contagious and are commonly spread easily amongst children via physical touch of the hands.

Celebration Assemblies

We love our Celebration assemblies on Friday mornings and are always delighted at the support and attendance they receive on a weekly basis. It is a great way to involve the wider school community. Please help us to maintain the standards we try to set for the children by keeping conversations for before or after the assembly has finished so that the awards, singing and presentation can be enjoyed by all.

PTFA Hot Dog Night

There will be a PTFA Hot Dog Night on Thursday 13th October at 3.15 - 5.00pm. The film being shown is Zootropolis (PG). It appears that most 'children's' films are now given a PG certificate. This means that the decision lies with the parent/carer of the child as to whether or not they wish their child to see the film. Consent is given by parents/carers purchasing a ticket for the event from the school office. Please also remember that children in nursery and reception must be accompanied by a grown up to this event.

Parking

I received a phone call from a parent this week that was unable to get their pushchair by on the path due to a car being parked over the pathway. Please park considerately and remember that many of our families walk to school with children and they have a right to feel safe.

Harvest Festival

This Sunday we are celebrating Harvest at a festival service at Seaton Sluice Methodist Church at 10.30am. Mrs Bennett and Mrs Dale will be there to welcome our singers who have volunteered to attend and sing two lovely harvest songs they have been learning in school. We have about 30 children who have said they will attend which is fantastic. Thank you. Children attending are invited to bring along any items of non-perishable food such as sugar, meat in tins, long-life milk, cook in sauces. The produce will be given to the Bay Food Bank in Whitley Bay.

After School Clubs

A number of children signed up and paid for our Breakdancing and Cheerleading after school clubs. Can parents please help us by letting us know via the phone or verbally if their child is not going to attend for some reason so that we are clear about who should be attending and who should not.

PTFA Coffee Morning

Attendance at the coffee morning yesterday was wonderful as was the contribution of cakes. Thank you to everyone involved.

Nut allergy in school

We have a child in school that is allergic to pistachio, cashew and pesto. We ask that parents/carers provide packed lunches that **DO NOT** contain any of these things in them please. Children with a nut allergy can have something called anaphylactic shock which can be very dangerous. We need to be a school that is free from pistachio, cashew and pesto.

School Dinners

If your child wishes to move from school dinners to packed lunch we must have a minimum of 1 weeks notice in writing to the school office. As we do not have a working kitchen, meals are ordered from North Tyneside and therefore must be ordered in advance. School are still charged for meals your child doesn't take, even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and entitled to a free school meal. This means the school covers the cost for the meals in Key Stage 1 rather than you as parents and while we receive some funding towards this the school still has to pay. Also, please be aware **we are only able to make changes to school dinner choices within the first 3 weeks of term** as agreed with North Tyneside Council as part of their agreement to supply our meals.

FUTURE DIARY DATES

Sunday 9th October: Harvest Festival at Seaton Sluice Methodist Church 10.30am

Tuesday 11th October: Year 4 cycle ride with Cycling Generation

Tuesday 11th October: Parental Consultations for Reception, Y1, Y2, Y3 and Y 4 3.30 - 6.30pm

Thursday 13th October: PTFA Hot Dog Night 3.15 - 5.00pm Zootropolis tickets on sale from Monday

Monday 17th October: Parental consultations for Nursery from 3.00pm

Tuesday 18th October: Parental consultations for Nursery from 1.00 - 3.30pm

Friday 21st October: School closes for October half term

OCTOBER HALF TERM

Monday 7th November: Toys & books for the Christmas Fair may be brought in from today

Friday 11th November: Non- uniform day for chocolate tombola

Friday 18th November: Non- uniform day for bring a bottle in a bag

Thursday 24th November: Celebration Assembly today (instead of Friday)

Friday 25th November: PTFA Christmas Fair

Sunday 4th December: Toy Service at Seaton Sluice Methodist Church 10.30am

Tuesday 6th December: Early Years Performance 9.30am

Wednesday 7th December: Early Years Performance 9.30am

Monday 12th December: Key Stage One Performance 2.00pm

Tuesday 13th December: Key Stage One Performance 9.30am

Tuesday 13th December: Key Stage Two Performance 2.00pm

Wednesday 14th December: Key Stage Two Performance 9.30am

Thursday 15th December: Celebration Assembly today (instead of Friday)

Friday 16th December: Pantomime Company Jack & the Beanstalk 9.30am

Friday 16th December: School closes at 2.00pm for the Christmas Holidays

Seaton Sluice First School MUSTS!

Pierced earrings **MUST** be removed on PE days

Scooters and bicycles **MUST** not be ridden on the yard before and immediately after school

Children **MUST NOT** play in the bushes at the bottom of the field

Children **MUST** be supervised by parents/carers before and after school on school premises

Parents/Carers **MUST** make themselves visible at picking up time so that children can be handed over safely

Dogs **MUST NOT** be brought onto the school site

Parents/Carers **MUST** check book bags daily for letters/homework/messages etc...