



# Seaton Sluice First School

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Red	Orange	Yellow	White	Purple
96.4%	97.7%	97.9%	98.2%	97.7%

White Class has the best attendance this week with 98.2%!!! WELL DONE EVERYONE!

Our overall school target for attendance is 96%

#### Macmillan Coffee Morning Arrangements

All parents/carers and friends of the school are warmly invited to join us on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October for the Macmillan Coffee Morning at 9.00am. This will also be an opportunity to cover some PTFA business so all new parents please come along to find out more about how you can join in and help support our school.

#### Return of slips/forms/money

Any slips/forms/money needing to be returned to school should go into the class room with your child where it will be asked for by the class teacher and placed in the class box and then sent to the school office. All parents/carers should use the front entrance for access to Mrs Heslegrave and the school office. Please do not walk through school and try to access the office from the inside.

### School Meals

We are now being provided with our school lunches by Wellfield Middle School, North Tyneside. The quality of the meals is very good and of a much higher standard than previously which we are thrilled about. We are receiving lots of positive feedback from the children. If you would like your child to have a school meal or you would just like to know more about them please see Mrs Heslegrave in the school office.

#### Congratulations and Thanks

Ivan Thorn (dad of Jessica in year four) ran his marathon successfully and raised £115 for school funds! We are very grateful for his time, hard work, training and effort. Thank you Mr Thorn!

#### PTFA Hot Dog Night

There will be a PTFA Hot Dog Night on Thursday  $13^{th}$  October at 3.15 - 5.00pm. The film being shown is Zootroplolis (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.

#### Cycles and scooters on the yard

Please remember that cycles and scooters should not be ridden on the school yard before school and in the first 10 - 15 minutes after school. Please ask all children to dismount cycles and scooters on their arrival at the school gate and push them to the cycle shelter. There is also a need for parents/carers to supervise the speed at which children ride on the yard after 3.30pm as some children are riding dangerously fast.

## Children playing in the car park

Please remember that children are not allowed to play in the staff carpark at any time. Staff and visitors are very careful when coming in and leaving the school, however, children have been playing around the bushes and cars which is a hazard.

#### Grapes in packed lunches

Just a reminder that grapes in packed lunches should be cut in half if they are particularly large as swallowed whole can be a choking hazard. Our lunchtime supervisors do not have time to cut grapes during the school lunchtime.

#### PTFA roles

For clarification the following roles have been filled for the PTFA for the coming year.

Chair Person - Kim McGuire (Amy in year one)

Vice Chair Person - Nikki Cosgrove (Noah in year two and Oscar in reception)

Treasurer - Emma Stanyer (Lucy in year three)

#### Visit to Sikh Temple by Joseph Price (year four)

I arrived at school feeling like a normal school day but 10 x excited because we were going to a Sikh temple. As soon as we got in they started putting on the head scarves, washing hands and taking off shoes. We met our guide, Cloud Singh and he gave us juice and a biscuit.

After that we went in to the special room where I saw some swords and we couldn't talk. We went upstairs in to another room where we could talk and Cloud taught us about swords and the 5 K's. It was so interesting. For lunch they gave us curry, rice and a chapatti.

We did some art in the special room and we saw people praying and speaking strangely. After that we said goodbye and went back to school on the mini bus. After that we went home from a very busy day!

# FUTURE DIARY DATES

Monday 26th September: Reception children start full time

Wednesday 5th October: No pens/pencils Wednesday

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October: School photographer (individual shots)

Thursday 6th October: School Macmillan coffee morning and PTFA AGM

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 (more info to follow)

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 31st October School reopens

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 13<sup>th</sup> 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 <u>MUST</u> be removed on PE days

Scooters and bicycles <u>MUST</u> not be ridden on the yard before and immediately after school

Children <u>MUST NOT</u> play in the bushes at the bottom of the field

Children <u>MUST</u> be supervised by parents/carers before and after school on school premises

Parents/Carers  $\underline{MUST}$  make themselves visible at picking up time so that children can be handed over safely

Dogs <u>MUST NOT</u> be brought onto the school site

Parents/Carers <u>MUST</u> check book bags daily for letters/homework/messages etc...