



Seaton Sluice First School Newsletter 15- Spring Term 2

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Attendance for this week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
95.8%	93.3%	97.4%	97.3%	93.0%

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

97.4 % is a brilliant result! WHITE CLASS also deserve a mention for their efforts too.

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



Well done to the following children for their latest achievements:

Name of child	Class	Achievement
Emily E	Orange	Well done Emily! It is great to hear that you can now swim 10 metres!
Felicity R	Orange	Another great swimming achievement! You have passed Learn To Swim Level 5 award.
Ethan A	White	Even more fantastic swimming achievements! Ethan passed his level 3 Octopus badge!
Luke A	Orange	Seems to be the week for our swimmers! Luke passed his Level 3 Stanley Badge!

PTFA Summer Fair

The date of this year's Summer Fair has changed to **Saturday 30th June 2018**. The fair will take place from 10am-2pm. Please remember that there is a Seaton Sluice PTFA page. If you would like to join the group, please send a message stating who your child is and you will then be added as a member. There are regular updates on this page.



Adopt A Tree Day

Thank you SO much to the many families who supported this lovely event. Over seventy families braved the wind and rain to adopt and plant a family tree in their special plot. Vision for Education, who support our school attendance initiative, have kindly donated a huge Easter egg for one family to win as part of raffle. All of the families who planted a tree will be entered into a raffle which will be drawn on the final assembly of this term (Thursday 29th March).

Vision Education Attendance Prizes

In addition to the family Easter egg kindly donated by Vision, they have donated ten further Easter eggs for ten children who have achieved 98% attendance so far and above. The names of all children who have achieved this target will be placed in a draw which will also take place in our final assembly.

Our very own chicks!

Leigh Boyd (Innes' Mum) has kindly set up an incubator in our Stepping Stones classroom. The children are monitoring the development of the eggs and keeping a diary including photographs. We are keeping our fingers crossed that we may have chicks hatching for Easter! Thank you to Leigh for giving her time to set this up and share her expertise.

Singing Recording Stars

Eight children went along to the YMCA recording studio in North Shields to record our latest school composition, 'Spread The Sunshine'. This song will be performed as part of the 'Singing Spreads Sunshine' event on Tuesday 19th June, funded by the Big Lottery. The group of children were fantastic and enjoyed the whole experience of singing along to Mrs Bennett playing a very impressive grand piano!

The choir are rehearsing different songs to perform and will soon be receiving information on the Whitley Bay Playhouse event which will be hosted by a guest celebrity singer. Mrs Gauld is also kindly giving her time to rehearse some groups of children to dance at the event. We will join together with five other schools from Seaton Valley to sing as part of a two hundred voice choir alongside a live band organised by Mr Peacock who teaches guitar and keyboard at SSFS. What an exciting event to look forward to!

Year 4 Ceilidh Dancing

Children in Year 4 had an amazing time learning how to ceilidh dance with live fiddle playing from local musician Stewart Hardy. Stewart came into school on Wednesday 14th March to share legends with the children and then teach them some dance steps before having the opportunity to join in a class dance with the live music. It was brilliant fun and Mrs Bennett particularly enjoyed joining in with everyone.

Sports Camp NE

We would like to offer our children from Reception to Year 4 the chance to participate in a sports holiday camp. The camps are run by a very successful organisation called Sports Camps NE and include a range of sports and craft activities. Each session costs £8 for the day with a discount for booking for the full week. If children have siblings in Years 5 and 6 at other schools, they are also welcome to apply for a place. Please look out for information that will be circulated for our first camp that will take place in May half term. Matthew, the camp leader will attend Celebration Assembly on Friday 27th April to introduce himself to the school.



Staff Training Day

We will return to school after Easter on **TUESDAY 17th April** to allow staff training to take place across the Seaton Valley partnership on Monday 16th April.

Auditions For Seaton Sluice Has Got Talent

Children are invited to perform for their Key Stage round in preparation for our Grand Final of **Seaton Sluice Has Got Talent** on WEDNESDAY 18th APRIL. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will take place in the morning and Years 3 and 4 will take place in the afternoon. If your child wishes to perform, application forms will be sent home next week to be handed back to school by THURSDAY 29TH MARCH. All children who apply will be given the chance to audition but must be prepared to perform in front of a live audience. All entertaining acts are encouraged!

SPRING TERM DIARY DATES

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

March	
Mon 19 th Mar	SPORT RELIEF WEEK
Tues 20 th Mar	Nursery Consultations 1:00-3:00pm
Tues 20 Mar	Parental Consultations for Rec-Y4 3:30-6:30pm
Wed 21 st Mar	Reception Library Visit- please see Mrs Mays if you can help
Wed 21 st Mar	Parental Consultations for Rec-Y4 3:30-6:30pm
Fri 23 rd Mar	Whole school theatre performance of 'Charlotte's Web'
Mon 26 th Mar	Dr Bike in for Y4 Group 1 full day
Mon 26 th Mar	PTFA Easter Disco 3:30-5:00pm
Tues 27 th Mar	Dr Bike in for Y4 Group 2 full day
Wed 28 th Mar	Dr Bike in for Y4 Group 3 full day
Wed 28 th Mar	Stepping Stones Parent Drop In Session
Wed 28 th Mar	Viewing of Easter hats in hall after school
Thurs 29 th Mar	Winners of Easter hats announced in Celebration Assembly
Thurs 29 th Mar	EASTER HOLIDAYS
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
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