



Seaton Sluice First School Newsletter 6



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**"Nurturing
Excellence"**

This week's whole school attendance is...

Our average whole school attendance so far this year is **93.4%**.

Our whole school attendance target is **96.2%**. We are keeping our fingers crossed that children remain fit and well to be able to enjoy the planned school events over the next couple of weeks.

Dress rehearsals, seasonal crafts and community singing! We have been out and about, bringing smiles and festive cheer around the village. Thank you to the families who supported us for our church choir performances over the last couple of weeks. We really do appreciate your efforts.



Out of this World Drumming Performances!

On Wednesday 7th December, some of our Year 3 and 4 pupils performed for us in the hall. They have been learning how to play Japanese taiko drums, including reading music notation and performing a range of rhythmic patterns. The children were absolutely **amazing!** We were most impressed with their confidence, concentration, team work, listening and brilliant technique. Well done to Frankie, Riley, Lon, Kobi, Rosie, Chloe, Louise, Tyler and Frankie!

We also enjoyed fantastic solo performances from Finley, Isla and Tyler playing the drum kit. They accompanied Mr Olatungi on the piano. All of these children have been learning how to play the drums with Mr Olatungi once a week during the Autumn term. We are really proud of their achievements.

The Wonder of Reading- Christmas Story Time Event

Pupils from Years 2 and 3 are invited to come along to a magical story time session led by Miss Brunton and Mrs Bennett. This will take place on **Tuesday 20th December** from **6:00pm-7:00pm**. Tickets are available from the office for £2 with proceeds going to the School Fund. Children and staff can wear cosy pyjamas and the classroom will be set up as a cosy, relaxing space to enjoy listening to stories and sing some special festive songs together. Cookies and milk will be provided. There will be another storytelling session in Spring for different year groups. We look forward to sharing some of our favourite stories with the children. Children should be dropped off then collected at 7:00pm.



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Wraparound Club- last day of term

Please note that there will be [no wraparound after school club](#) on the final day of term (Friday 23rd December) as we will finish the school day at 2:00pm. Many thanks.

Christmas Performances- afternoon collections

For the performances in the afternoon, children will be able to leave school with parents or carers after the performance if preferred. This will include siblings in other classes. However, if you are unable to attend the performance or would prefer a normal collection, the staff will keep their classes with them.



Contact Details for Pupils

Please remember to complete a change of contact details form (available from the school office) or to email Mrs Johnson at admin@seatonsluicefirst.co.uk if you move house, change phone numbers or use different emails. It is important that our records are up to date and accurate in case of emergencies. Thank you for your support.

Polite reminder:

Please remember that the staff car park should not be used by parents and carers. This is for health and safety reasons. There are still incidents of adults parking and travelling through the car park which is putting safety of people at risk. Can we also remind families to drive carefully around the surrounding area next to the school and park considerately? Your support is greatly appreciated.

Class Craft Winter Market Stalls

All classes will enjoy making crafts next week which they will sell as part of an individual gift pack. These will be on sale from Monday 19th December. The children will display their gift pack in their class window (as if it was a shop window) for a cost of £3.50 which will cover the cost of materials. Please place your child's money in a named envelope and your child will then be given their pack to bring home. Any profits will go into the School Fund account which will benefit children across the whole school. The gift packs will be available to buy each night after school up until Thursday 22nd December. Thank you for your support.

End of Term Gifts

Please remember our new policy on not buying end of term gifts for staff. As mentioned at the start of the Autumn term, as a staff, we feel that there are enough pressures for families, both financially and organisationally. We love our jobs, love being with the children, are lucky to have such enjoyable roles and do not require any reward for what we do. It is our pleasure- we wish you all a very happy Christmas together with friends and family.



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UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS (added events highlighted in yellow)

09.12.22	Years 1 and 2 Christmas Performance 9:30-10:30am
12.12.22	Years 1 and 2 Christmas Performance 1:30-2:30pm
13.12.22	Years 3 and 4 Christmas Performance 9:30-10:30am
14.12.22	Years 3 and 4 Christmas Performance 1:30-2:30pm
15.12.22	Dib and Dab's Christmas Mix-Up (In-school theatre performance treat)
19.12.22	Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party 1:30-2:30pm (CHANGE OF DATE)
19.12.22	Class Christmas Markets
20.12.22	Years 2 & 3 'Wonder of Reading' Christmas Storytime
20.12.22	Nursery Christmas Party 9:30-10:30am
20.12.22	Reception Christmas Party 1:30-2:30pm
21.12.22	Years 1 and 2 Christmas Party 1:30-2:30pm
23.12.22	Break up for Christmas Holidays- EARLY FINISH AT 2PM
09.01.23	SVLP Training Day
10.01.23	Return to school
13.01.23	Year 3 Road Safety Sessions begin
17.2.23	Break up for Half Term
02.03.23	SPRING Achievers' Assembly Nursery, Reception, Year 1 9:00am-9:30am
09.03.23	SPRING Achievers' Assembly Years 2, 3 and 4 9:00am-9:30am
15.03.23	Parent and Carer School Forum Meeting 7:00pm-8:00pm
22.03.23	Seaton Sluice Has Got Talent 6:00pm-7:00pm
31.03.23	Break up for Easter
17.04.23	Return to School
08.05.23	Bank Holiday- The King's Coronation
11.05.23- 13.05.23	Robinwood Residential Trip- Year 4
17.05.23	Class Photos Reception-Year 4
26.05.23	Break Up for Half-Term
05.06.23	Return to school