



# Seaton Sluice First School

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Red	Orange	Yellow	White	Purple
91.3%	99%	100%	98.6%	98.1%

Yellow Class has the best attendance this week with 100%!!! **WELL DONE EVERYONE!**

Our overall school target for attendance is 96%

## School Meals

Please try to inform school two weeks beforehand if your child wishes to change from school meals to packed lunches.

## ECO School

As an ECO school we encourage the children to save paper and choose not to exchange Christmas cards within school. If children would like to exchange cards with their friends we ask that this is done outside of school. Thank you for your support with our ECO strategy. This year the older children will be using their ICT lessons to practise sending Christmas messages to their friends via e-mail. The younger children will be practising saying 'Happy Christmas' in a number of different languages.

## Request for 2 year old entitlement

Free! Fun! Childcare for 2 year olds!

Evidence shows that good quality childcare for 2-year-olds provides real benefits in terms of children's early language skills, physical, social and emotional development which will benefit them in later life.

If your child is 2 before the 31 December 2016, find out if you could be entitled to up to 15 hours of free childcare for your 2 year old from January 2017 by visiting [www.northumberland.gov.uk/freechildcare](http://www.northumberland.gov.uk/freechildcare) or calling 01670 623592

## Christmas Lights

Our Christmas Lights competition winners received their awards in an assembly this week. Congratulations to:-

3<sup>rd</sup> place Summer Laidler

2<sup>nd</sup> place Bethany Herron

1<sup>st</sup> place: James Green

James designed a Rudolph reindeer for his winning light. The lights will be switched on at around 5pm on Saturday so do watch out for Rudolph on Beresford Road. Congratulations James!

## **Clubs**

The following clubs will be running in January:-

Mondays: Cross stitch with Mrs Dale and Mrs Calderwood 3.15 - 4.30 for year three and year four

Tuesdays: Maths booster classes for year four with Mrs Bennett 3.15 - 4.15

Thursdays: Choir 3.15 - 4.00

Fridays: NUFC football skills for year two and year three 3.15 - 4.15

*More information about these clubs will follow shortly.*

## **Leave of absence forms**

Some parents/carers are still using the old holiday forms for leave of absence from school. Please use the new form which is available for the school office or can be found on our website at:  
[www.seatonsluicesouth.northumberland.sch.uk](http://www.seatonsluicesouth.northumberland.sch.uk)

## **Parent Governor - reminder**

The closing date for parent governor nominations is Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December.

## **School Policy for Pierced Earrings**

- Children may wear small stud type earrings (no hoops or dangles)
- Ears should be pierced during the summer holidays to allow time for healing so they may be removed for PE
- Earrings should be removed on PE days unless children can remove themselves (a container /small bag should be provided from home to store them in during PE)
- Staff are **NOT** allowed to remove or put in pierced earrings for a child

### **School recommends:**

- expensive earrings should **NOT** be worn for school. We cannot take responsibility for lost/damaged earrings.
- Consider carefully whether your child is old enough to cope with pierced ears.

# FUTURE DIARY DATES

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November:** PTFA Christmas Fair 2.00pm

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November:** turning on of the Christmas lights in Seaton Sluice

**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November:** Phonics meeting for reception parents 6.00pm

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November:** Flu injections for years one, two, three and four (this is a nasal spray not a needle)

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November:** PTFA decorate the school Christmas tree

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December:** Phonics meeting for reception parents 2.30pm

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December:** Toy Service at Seaton Sluice Methodist Church 10.30am

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December:** Early Years Performance 9.30am

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December:** Early Years Performance 9.30am

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December:** Christingle Service at St Pauls Church 12.00noon

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December:** Key Stage One Performance 2.00pm

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December:** PTFA Christmas Hot Dog Night 3.15 - 5.00pm

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December:** School Christmas dinner

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December:** Key Stage One Performance 9.30am

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December:** Key Stage Two Performance 2.00pm

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December:** Key Stage Two Performance 9.30am

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December:** Celebration Assembly today (instead of Friday)

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December:** PTFA Christmas Hot Dog Night 3.15 - 5.00pm

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December:** Pantomime Company Jack & the Beanstalk 9.30am - Children may come in their pyjamas/ onesies. Hot chocolate and marshmallows will be served.

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December:** School closes at 2.00pm for the Christmas Holidays

**School re-opens on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January at 8.55am for main school and 8.45am for nursery**

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January is a staff training day**

## 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 or climb the trees
- \* 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...
- \* Parents/Carers **MUST** keep school up to date of any changes in telephone numbers / emergency contact details