



Seaton Sluice First School Newsletter 16 - Summer Term 2

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Attendance for this week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
98%	98%	97.3%	96.3%	95.3%
Well done both RED and ORANGE Classes for having the best attendance! Attendance has improved this week. Our school average attendance is currently 96.5%, just over our whole school target of 96.2% for the whole year. Well done everyone!				

Celebrating Achievements

Name of child	Class	Achievement
Emily E	Yellow	Emily was awarded her stage 6 swimming badge last week. Well done Emily, we're very proud of you!

Seaton Delaval Hall Family Celebration Day

Thank you to all of the families who were able to join us last Monday for our celebration of learning day. The sun shone and the Year 3 children performed brilliantly! It was so interesting to learn about the history of the Delaval family and what life was like during the Baroque period. The music and dance performances were wonderful and there was such a lovely atmosphere around. Huge thanks to the team at Seaton Delaval Hall who led and organised this wonderful project, which includes the science focus for Year 4. We have also been gifted a year's membership for the school which we are incredibly grateful for. Each class will plan in future opportunities to take their pupils up to the hall to continue the link and develop understanding of local history.

Mini De-Fibbers!

Some of our children took part in the defibrillator training on Monday at Seaton Delaval Hall. Andrew F, Will and Joey C, Joel S, Ben B all from Year 1 and Jake G in Reception all took part. The children had great fun learning how to use the defibrillator and how they might be able to help save a life. They were all very enthusiastic and we are very proud of them all, their enthusiasm is wonderful.



Fit Friday!

We are delighted to welcome Mr Tony Dowson onto the team next year to lead P.E throughout the school. Mr Dowson will work all day on a Friday, developing a clear progression of skills in physical education. As part of his focus on healthy lifestyles, he is also planning to work with parents and carers to involve them in targets linked to fitness for our pupils.

As part of our aim to increase levels of fitness around the school, we would like to introduce **'FIT FRIDAY'**. This will mean that all pupils are invited to attend school every Friday in comfy PE kit. This should include: Dark jogging bottoms, a polo top or plain t-shirt in the colour of their house or this could also be white, a school jumper/cardigan/hoodie. Anne Thomas in Whitley Bay is ordering extra purple hoodies and it would be lovely for the children to wear the purple hoodie with the school logo on. However, if this is not possible, the school jumper/cardigan is fine too. Trainers or plimsolls should also be worn.

The focus of lessons will be 'active' including other curriculum areas. We are really looking forward to this initiative and having Mr Dowson bringing his sports specialism to SSFS.

Star of The Week Assemblies

As from September 2019, Celebration Assembly will take place on a THURSDAY morning. This will allow the school to have their P.E sessions with Mr Dowson and be ready for their active learning focus.

Medical Conditions

Mrs Bennett is our school medical co-ordinator. It is extremely important that parents communicate regularly with Mrs Bennett to share information on specific medical needs including allergies. Following a recent incident, we are tightening up procedures in school which will include specific pupils having an individual medical plan which is kept in the classroom. These plans will be reviewed bi-annually as part of parental consultations to ensure information is kept up to date and medication checked. Should your child have a medical condition that you feel staff should be aware of, please make an appointment with Mrs Bennett to discuss their needs. Parents of children who already have a plan in place will be contacted by Mrs Bennett and a review date arranged. Many thanks for your support.

THRIVE Parent Drop In Sessions

We buy into a service level agreement with a fantastic organisation called THRIVING MINDS FOR LEARNING. We have two highly experienced staff now working with us, Mrs Gill Knights and Mrs Jill Del Prete. They offer support with regard to behaviour, family support, relationships, mediation, advice on routines, cognitive behaviour therapy and many other services. Staff are able to refer children and families to Gill and Jill so that they work with families on a weekly basis, including going out to homes and observing in school. Gill



Knights is going to begin THRIVE drop in sessions every Friday morning from 8:30am-9:30am. Any parent or carer who would like advice or support is welcome to come along to the drop in or arrange an appointment with Gill. This will start in September.

NE-One Spreads Sunshine

We are very lucky to have secured a grant to allow the community an amazing opportunity to sing with and learn techniques from a respected Gospel Choir within the North East. This is a community event for anyone aged 8 and over. Be part of your own community choir.

Funded by generous donation from the Northumberland Cultural Fund



Only 120 places available for anyone aged 8 years and above. If you would like to book your place please use the following link,

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ne-one-spreads-sunshine-tickets-64353449901>

Last Day Water Combat

Those of you who were part of the school last year will remember the memorable final day water combat. All of the children assemble in their houses with staff and then proceed to have a fun water combat fight. We are repeating this again and all pupils are invited to bring in water pistols (that should be pre-filled) for the event. Families are welcome to come and spectate. Should you wish to join your child in the fun, you are also welcome. Therefore, everyone should attend school on the last day in suitable clothing that is non-uniform. They should also bring a small towel with them. It really is a fun way to end such an exciting year. The water combat will take place at 1:45pm on Friday 19th July for a 2pm finish. As always, you will still need to sign your child out before leaving the school site.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

BREAK UP FOR MAY HALF-TERM on FRIDAY 24th MAY 2019	
Mon 15 th July	PTA Summer Disco 3:30-5:00
Tues 16 th July	Year 4 Leavers's Production 9:30am
Wed 17 th July	Year 4 Leaver's Production 6pm
Fri 19 th July	Year 4 Leaver's Assembly/Celebration Assembly
BREAK UP FOR SUMMER on Friday 19th July at 2pm	
TEACHER TRAINING DAYS- Monday 2nd September AND Tuesday 3rd September	
  RETURN TO SCHOOL Wednesday 4th September 