



# Seaton Sluice First School

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## Newsletter items

### Parental/Carer questionnaires

Thank you very much to all parents/carers who have taken the time to give us feedback on what goes well and what we could do better. The information is extremely helpful and the overwhelming number of positives very reassuring and appreciated.

### Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to all volunteers who helped with the book fair before and after school last week. The fair was as popular as ever and the support was much appreciated.

### Parental Consultations

Thank you to all parents/carers who took the time out of their busy schedules to meet with teachers in order to discuss their first half term's work and progress. Attendance at these evenings was almost 100% and a clear indication of the interest and support our parents are prepared to give the children. We firmly believe that a strong parent/school partnership helps children thrive and respond more positively to school resulting in progress being more effective over time.

### School Games Football Tournament

Eight year four boys proudly represented our school at the Cramlington & Seaton Valley Football Tournament on Tuesday of this week. They played extremely well and were unfortunately beaten in the final by Holywell First School. Mrs Davidson who accompanied the team reported excellent sportsmanship and participation. Congratulations and well done to all of you.

### Supervision of children before and after school

Pupils who stay behind after school to use the facilities of the field and the equipment **MUST** be supervised by their parents/carers. Parents/carers **MUST** remain on the school premises.

An incident this week that happened after school had to be dealt with the following day in school time taking a significant amount of time away from the children's learning. Please keep an eye on what your child is doing after 3.15pm. **It is VITAL that children and parents/carers understand that the bushes located at the bottom of the field next to the main road are completely out of bounds.** The children have been spoken to about this in school. Please support us.

### Parking Enforcement Vehicle

**Please be aware of this new initiative by NCC below:-**

Since April 2012 the Council's Civil Enforcement Officers have been carrying out enforcement of school keep clear restrictions and other parking regulations outside of schools. Road safety and illegal parking outside schools is a significant concern for us and in order to raise the effectiveness of school parking enforcement the Local Transport Plan (LTP) has funded the introduction of a parking enforcement vehicle which will enforce school keep clear parking restrictions from January 2016. Throughout the period from October to December there will be a programme of awareness raising and testing of the vehicle.

Our webpage [parking.northumberland.gov.uk](http://parking.northumberland.gov.uk) is now also live and this will be updated throughout the publicity and awareness raising campaign taking place over the next few weeks.

### **Future Diary Dates**

**School re-opens on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 8.55am for main school and 8.45am for nursery**

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November** - Reception class hearing tests at 9.00am

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November** - Family Football starts 3.15 - 4.30pm

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November** - PTFA meeting at 6.00pm ALL WELCOME (refreshments will be served)

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November** - Non uniform day for bottle in bag tombola

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November** - Non uniform day for chocolate tombola

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November** - Bikers Breakfast 8.15am and Dr Bike

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November** - Year four bike ride

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November** - Hula Hooping Festival for year 3 pupils at Blyth Sports Centre 9.30 - 11.45am

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November** - PTFA Christmas Fair 2.00pm

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December** - Christingle Service at St Pauls Church Seaton Sluice

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December** - Early Years Christmas Performance 9.30am

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December** - Early Years Christmas Performance 9.30am

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December** - Year one and year two Christmas Performance 2.00pm

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December** - Year one and year two Christmas Performance 9.30am

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December** - Year three and year four Christmas Performance 2.00pm

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December** - Year three and year four Christmas Performance 9.30am

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December** - Pantomime for the whole school and party in morning/ Toy afternoon in pm

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December - School closes for the Christmas Holidays at 2.00pm**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2016 is a training day - School is closed**

**School re-opens on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at 8.55am and 8.45am for Nursery.**