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Safe and Secure... Enjoy Together!*



**SEATON SLUICE FIRST SCHOOL**  
**NEWSLETTER 1- AUTUMN TERM 1**

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**Attendance for this week**

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
98.8%	98.9%	95.2%	96.9%	90.8%	95.8%

Well done to **RED** Class. It is brilliant to see such great attendance from some of our youngest pupils who have just started full time school. Well done everyone!

**Welcome Mr Jordan**

We would like to welcome Mr Jordan to our school. He will be supporting small group interventions across Years 2, 3 and 4. He is really enjoying getting to know our children and will be an asset in helping with some high quality catch up learning. Mr Jordan will be with us initially to half term- he has fitted in perfectly to our team!

**Term Time Holidays**

Should you wish your child to attend a holiday during term time, a 'Leave of Absence' request must be completed and handed in at the school office at least two weeks prior to your child missing school. Holidays during term time **will not** be authorised unless classed as '**exceptional circumstances**'. It is now even more critical that children do not miss time at school due to the significant impact it would have on their learning and progress. Thank you for your support.

**Parent Think Tank**

The Parent Think Tank was formed in April 2020, following our first Covid-19 lockdown. The group was originally formed to listen to the views, voice concerns and share ideas representative of our parents, to assist in a smooth transition and return to school. Over the last 18 months, this group have been critical in the effective management of the school, developing systems and procedures in partnership with the governing body. They have also been extremely supportive to Mrs Bennett, who has found their involvement invaluable.

We are now looking for some extra parents or carers to join this fantastic group. Some of the existing members of the group have now left the school. We really would like to have representatives from every class so everyone feels involved. The group meets six times across the year (one meeting each half term), which are a mix of virtual and face to face meetings. The meetings take place on Wednesdays at 5pm. The first meeting for this year will be on **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.**



If you would like to be part of the Parent Think Tank Group, please email Mrs Bennett at [admin@seatonsluicefirst.co.uk](mailto:admin@seatonsluicefirst.co.uk) and she will contact you with the details of the meetings that will be arranged across the year.

### Behaviours for Learning at SSFS

We have our own school 'behaviours for learning' that are displayed at the front of every classroom and referred to on a regular basis. These are:



We would like to ask for your help!

We realise that for some children, learning will have stepped up and they may feel like we are pushing them outside of their comfort zone. They may come home and tell you that they don't like school and they 'can't do the work'. Please know that teachers will be providing appropriate work for their age and ability. We are finding that confidence, motivation and focus are common themes that we are trying hard to develop. Along with our behaviours for learning, we are conscious that we have a lot of catch up to do over this next year. It is so important that the children read daily and if asked to learn number facts, times tables or spellings, they do so with the support of adults at home in a quiet space. Whilst we understand and promote the importance of well-being, we are also keen to support our pupils with their academic achievements. With this in mind, we will be sending out 'Letters of Commendation' to the families of pupils who demonstrate an excellent attitude to learning. These letters will be very special and given out for exceptional effort, demonstrating our school behaviours for learning.

### Stars of the Week

Well done to the following children who received a 'Star of the Week' certificate over the last two weeks:

Reception: Jack and Hali  
Year 1: Harry, Felicity, Alexander and Reece  
Year 2: Willem, Havana, Riley and Elsie  
Year 3: Reggi, Luca, Rosie and Theo  
Year 4: Millie, James, Katie-Mae, Jessica





## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Reception vision screening
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Census Day- SPORT'S FUNDAY LUNCH
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Hello Yellow Day- to support well-being and good mental health
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Reception Parents Phonics Meeting 6:00-6:30pm
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Reception Parents Phonics Meeting 2:30pm-3:00pm
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Year 4 'Little Inventors Digital Experience'
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Parental Consultations 3:30pm-6:00pm
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Parental Consultations 3:30pm-6:00pm
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Year 4 Class Assembly 9:00am-9:40am- parents/carers invited
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Break up for Half -Term
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Return to school
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Whole school flu vaccination programme (am)
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Whole school photos (am)
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 3 Class Assembly 9:00am-9:40am parents/carers invited
w/c Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Books for Bugs Virtual Book Fair (all week)
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Nursery Christmas Production 9:15am-10:15am
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Reception Christmas Production 1:30pm-2:30pm
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Reception Christmas Production 9:15am-10:15am
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS1 (Y1 and Y2) Christmas Production 1:30pm-2:30pm
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS1 (Y1 and Y2) Christmas Production 9:15am-10:15am
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS2 (Y3 and Y4) Christmas Production 1:30pm-2:30pm
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS2 (Y3 and Y4) Christmas Production 9:15am-10:15am
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Class Winter Market Stalls 2:00pm-3:00pm
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Nursery and Reception Christmas Party (am)
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Years 1 and 2 Christmas Party (pm)
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party (pm)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Break up for Christmas Holidays
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Teacher Training Day
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Return to school for pupils