



Seaton Sluice First School

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Newsletter items

Forthcoming notice of parental consultations

In response to a request for more notice of parental consultations, please see below the proposed dates for consultations in March 2016.

Tuesday 2nd March 2016 and Wednesday 23rd March 2016

Consultations will be held for all children from nursery through to year 4.

Results of parental questionnaires

The response to the recent parental questionnaires was very positive. Thank you to all parents/carers who took the time to write down their views and return. The results of these responses can now be viewed on the school website www.seatonsluicesouth.northumberland.sch.uk in the section *Parents/Carers*.

Children in Need

Although fairly low key the children thoroughly enjoyed making a silver trail in the spare class room in aid of Children in Need. Thank you to all families who supported with their loose silver! We raised £178.51

Cramlington and Seaton Valley Sports Awards

On Tuesday evening this week Mrs Love had the pleasure of attending the above award ceremony with year four pupils Jack Stokoe, Beth Wrightson, Stephanie Allan and Alex Turner. The event celebrated the achievements of all the local schools and their commitment to sport. We were very proud to receive our School games mark GOLD award which we were fully aware of but surprised and pleased to also be awarded the special award for Improving Health and Well Being. The year fours were a delight to take and we are very proud of our achievements. Thanks go to Mr Routledge for all of his efforts with sport and the work he put in to the award as well as all of our school staff who support and teach PE to such a high standard in our school.

Safeguarding - Celebration Assemblies

Thank you to all parents/carers who filled in the signing in sheets on arrival at our weekly assembly last week. This seemed to work well and we will be continuing with this new safeguarding procedure. There will always be a table immediately on your left as you enter the hall with class lists to sign on.

Support for Christmas Fair

The Christmas fair is only one week away and Kim McGuire, Donna Kennedy and lots of other parents have been working hard to prepare for the day. There are sheets on display in the school library if anyone would like to volunteer for any help on the day. Please remember that you should collect your child on arrival at 2.00pm on the day of the fair and sign with the class teacher to hand over responsibility before taking them around the stalls.

Christmas Cards

This year all children in school will be adding a Christmas message to the whole school Christmas Card which will go on display in the School Hall in December. As we are an eco school we want to try and reduce the number of Christmas cards being sent so we ask for no Christmas cards to be brought into school. If your child would like to exchange Christmas cards with special friends, please can this be done in the play ground before or after school.

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 31st December 2015, find out if you could be entitled to up to 15 hours of free childcare for your 2 year old from January 2016 by visiting www.northumberland.gov.uk/freechildcare or calling 01670 623592

Future Diary Dates

Friday 20th November - Non uniform day for chocolate tombola

Monday 23rd November - Phonics Meeting for reception parents at 5.30pm

Tuesday 24th November - Phonics Meeting for reception parents at 2.30pm

Tuesday 24th November - Parental Consultations for reception from 3.30pm

Thursday 26th November - Parental Consultations for reception from 3.30pm

Tuesday 24th November - Bikers Breakfast 8.15am and Dr Bike

Wednesday 25th November - Year four bike ride

Friday 27th November - Hula Hooping Festival for year 3 pupils at Blyth Sports Centre 9.30 - 11.45am

Friday 27th November - PTFA Christmas Fair 2.00pm

Sunday 29th November - Toy Service at Seaton Sluice Methodist Church 10.30am

Sunday 6th December - Christingle Service at St Pauls Church Seaton Sluice 10.30am

Tuesday 8th December - Early Years Christmas Performance 9.30am

Wednesday 9th December - Early Years Christmas Performance 9.30am

Thursday 10th December - Christmas Lunch in School

Monday 14th December - Year one and year two Christmas Performance 2.00pm

Tuesday 15th December - Year one and year two Christmas Performance 9.30am

Tuesday 15th December - Year three and year four Christmas Performance 2.00pm

Wednesday 16th December - Year three and year four Christmas Performance 9.30am

Thursday 17th December - Pantomime for the whole school and party food in morning/ Toy afternoon in pm

Friday 18th December - School closes for the Christmas Holidays at 2.00pm

Monday 4th January 2016 is a training day - School is closed

School re-opens on Tuesday 5th January 2016 at 8.55am and 8.45am for Nursery.

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

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...

Book bags and water bottles **MUST** be brought to school every day