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Believe and Achieve, Care and Share, Safe and Secure, Enjoy Together



"Nurturing Excellence"

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Is it really week 3 already? The weeks seem to be getting busier and busier!

It's lovely to enjoy sunnier days with lighter mornings and evenings. We have been practising some new songs this week and learning the Makaton signs too. We are looking forward to performing them together in the next few weeks.

This week's whole school attendance

Our whole school attendance this week is **94.4%**. Remember that our school target is 96.2%. Attending school every day is very important for achieving our personal best.



British Science Week



There has been such a buzz around school this week with our **'STEM'** focus. **'STEM'** represents learning in science, technology, engineering and maths. Thank you in particular to Miss Chivers, who has coordinated the activities and arranged for some very special family visitors to come and share their real-life experiences with us. We have learnt about aviation engineering, the importance of handwashing, the impact of germs and the role of a speech and language therapist. There was even a special experiment involving gummy bears! It's been a fantastic week for us all!

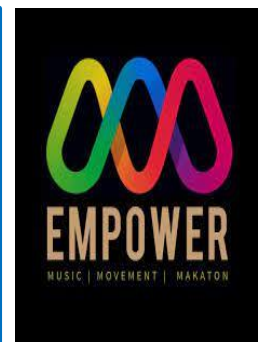


We have been learning the song, 'Something Inside So Strong'. On Monday 21st March, everyone is invited to come into school wearing socks that make you stand out. Pupils are also invited to attend the Empower event led by Mrs Melling at St Cuthbert's Church Hall in Blyth at 5:30pm-6:00pm. It would be great to see our pupils supporting this wonderful event.

Gardening Club



We are delighted to invite pupils from **Reception to Year 4** back to our school **Gardening Club** which will commence every Friday from 25th March 2022 (3:20pm-3:45pm). Kate Blakely, one of our school governors, will lead the club. Please note that one adult must accompany each child. If you would like to take part, please inform Mrs Johnson at admin@seatonsluicefirst.co.uk or ring the school office.



Achievers' Assemblies



Our next Achievers' Assemblies will take place on:

Nursery, Reception and Year 1: Thursday, 31st March 9:00am-9:30am

Year 2, Year 3, Year 4: Thursday, 7th April 9:00am-9:30am

If your child is receiving an award, you will have been sent a notification via Parent Mail. Invited parents and carers are welcome to attend the assembly. All children will receive an award by the end of the Summer term.

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Behind the scenes of ... YEAR 4 -Written by Mrs Collins and the class

As part of British Science Week, we have been exploring 'growth' into space. At the start of the week, we looked at Mars rovers- building and landing on one and the impact of minimising force on impact. We also built rockets that could transport people, considering what was needed to make an object move and what would happen if the opposing force was of the same strength. The Rotary Club visited school on Thursday to present Joe with his prize- he was awarded the district 'Young Artist of the Year' and his beautiful watercolour painting will now go through to the national final! Finally, a group of Year 4 children went along to a workshop to learn British Sign Language led by Paul Whittaker OBE, an inspiring man who talked to us about how the importance of sign language for deaf people. It was amazing watching, listening and learning from Paul. He performed the sign language for the song, 'Any Dream Will Do' from when he performed in London.



UPCOMING...



Mon 21st March

National Down Syndrome Day

29th, 30th and 31st March

Parental Consultations (3:30pm-6:00pm)

Thurs 7th April

Break up for Easter (Teacher Training Day on Fri 8th April)

Monday 25th April

Return to school

Monday 2nd May

May Bank Holiday

Wed 4th May-Fri 6th May

Y4 Robinwood Residential

Sat 7th May

Voices of Virtue Gospel Singing

(1-3pm)

Sat 14th May

Voices of Virtue Gospel Singing

(1-3pm)

Safety outside of school

The ongoing topic of driving and parking outside of the school site is becoming an increasing concern. Every week, there are complaints raised with the school with regard to inconsiderate parking, dangerous parking, people driving too fast and general hazardous decision making. Over the last two weeks, a car has been involved in a collision and a young child has run onto the road and narrowly missed being hit. This is simply unacceptable. It would be most helpful if local families can walk into school (if able to) and families driving in, park in a sensible place, even if this means walking a short distance into school. Your support in assisting with this situation is very much appreciated.

VOICES OF VIRTUE GOSPEL CHOIR
SOUL SINGING
Workshops
@ SEATON SLUICE FIRST SCHOOL

4 SATURDAYS • MAY 7TH, 14TH, 21ST & 28TH

13:00 - 15:00

SONGS
RISE UP * SMILE
STAND BY ME
SOMETHING INSIDE SO STRONG

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A final affirmation for the week:

Who you are inside is what helps you make and do everything in life.

MISTER ROGERS

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Events added- PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FOR EASTER HOLIDAY

Date	Event
Mon 21 st March	National Down Syndrome Day
Mon 28 th March	House Meetings (am)
Tues 29 th March	Parental Consultations (3:30pm-6:00pm) All year groups EXCEPT Y2
Wed 30 th March	Parental Consultations (3:30pm-6:00pm)- All year groups
Thurs 31 st March	Y2 Re-arranged Parental Consultations (3:30pm-6:00pm)
Thurs 31 st March	Nursery, Reception and Y1 Achievers' Assembly (9:00am-9:30am)
Wed 6 th April	SSFS Family Appreciation Day
Wed 6 th April	Parent Think Tank Meeting (5pm)
Thurs 7 th April	Y2, Y3 and Y4 Achievers' Assembly (9:00am-9:30am)
Thurs 7 th April	House Activity Morning
Thurs 7 th April	Break up for Easter
Fri 8 th April	SVLP Teacher Training Day
Mon 25th April	Return to school
Mon 2 nd May	Bank Holiday
Wed 4 th May-Fri 6 th May	Year 4 Trip to Robinwood Residential Centre
Sat 7 th May	Re-scheduled Voices of Virtue Soul Singing Session 1 (1pm-3pm)
Sat 14 th May	Re-scheduled Voices of Virtue Soul Singing Session 2 (1pm-3pm)
Sun 15 th May	Children's Cancer Run
Wed 18 th May	Parent Think Tank Meeting (5pm)
Sat 21 st May	Re-scheduled Voices of Virtue Soul Singing Session 3 (1pm-3pm)
Wed 25 th May	Seaton Sluice Has Got Talent Shortlisting
Fri 27 th May	Queen's Platinum Jubilee Whole School Garden Party (1:30-3:30pm)
Fri 27 th May	Break up for Half term
Sat 28 th May	Re-scheduled Voices of Virtue Soul Singing Session 4 (1pm-3pm)
Wed 8 th June	Year 4 Ocean Youth Trust Sailing Voyage Group 1
Thurs 9 th June	Year 4 Ocean Youth Trust Sailing Voyage Group 2
Fri 10 th June	Year 4 Ocean Youth Trust Sailing Voyage Group 3
Wed 22 nd June	Seaton Sluice Has Got Talent (6:00pm-7:30pm)