

# Seaton Sluice First School Newsletter 4



“Shining a light on inclusion”

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“Nurturing  
Excellence”

Autumn 2: SSFS HOUSE POINTS- RESULTS SO FAR!			
 AIR 137	WATER 142	EARTH 121	 FIRE 159

**WELL DONE** to **WATER**, our winning team (last term) who enjoyed an extra games session, playing parachute games and a Pluto light disco!



## Children in Need 2023- Run Pudsey 2023

Families are invited to register their child for this year's school 'Pudsey Fun Run'. Quite a few children have already registered and we are delighted to announce that so far, over £1300 has been pledged for this worthwhile charity! This is absolutely AMAZING!

The run will take place at 3pm on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, on the school field. If you would like your child to register and be part of the fundraising, please click on: <https://www.runpudsey.co.uk/take-part/school> and enter our unique school code: 539D

The theme of the day is 'Be You'. Children are invited to dress in an outfit of their choice: their favourite colours, spotty theme, Pudsey theme, pyjamas, fancy dress and so on. We want to celebrate that we are all unique! All children will be given the opportunity to participate on the day- those who register online will also receive a special 'Children in Need' medal that will be sent to the school after the event.



Final details for the event will be shared via Parent Mail next week.



## Parent and Carer Consultations- Autumn term

Thank you to everyone who was able to join us for meetings to discuss settling in this term. It was great to catch up with so many people and share how well the children across the school are doing. It is hard to believe that we are already into our second half term- time really is flying!

Thank you also to the families who were able to complete our questionnaire. All of the helpful feedback has been shared with the staff and governors- it was lovely reading so many positive comments as well as giving some honest feedback regarding any areas of improvement. We have already been discussing how we can make communication across school better so families feel more involved in their child's learning.



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## Return of Class Dojo

In response to parent and carer feedback, we have decided to bring back the 'Class Dojo' App. This will hopefully improve communication between school and home and will be used to share photos and information about pupil learning and school events. We hope that this will make parents and carers feel more involved in school life. Class teachers will be sending joining instructions home over the next week. Please note that Class Dojo should not be used for messaging the staff (with the exception of the school wraparound club). Please continue to email or phone the school office should you need to get in touch.



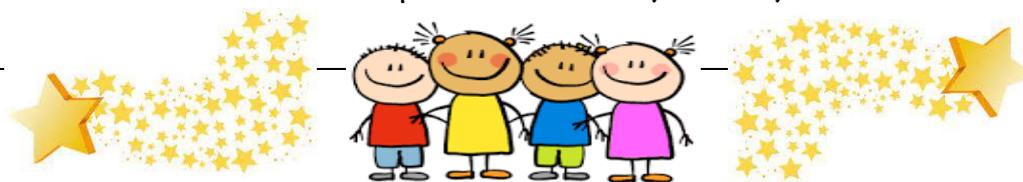
## Achiever's Assemblies

The first of our Achievers' Assemblies will be taking place in the next couple of weeks:

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 9am: Nursery, Reception and Year 1 pupils

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 9am: Year 2, 3 and 4 pupils

If your child is receiving a certificate, you will have received a text inviting you along to the assembly. If you haven't received a text this time, please don't worry as every child receives an award across the year.



## Wraparound Club

The demand for the school wraparound club is approaching capacity. We have to carefully consider the spaces and staffing available to fully ensure the safety of the children. We are now in the position where we need to request pre-booking.

There will be 15 places per day that are available for pre-booking (via Miss McNab on Class Dojo) and 5 flexible spaces for 'as required' bookings (via Class Dojo or the school office) which will be allocated on a 'first come' basis. The pre-booking spaces should be arranged in advance with Miss McNab. The flexible spaces are suitable for adults working different work patterns. If spaces become available on the day (due to absence), we will offer them to families on the reserve list. We appreciate that this will be disappointing for some families but must adhere to strict guidance regarding pupil and staff ratios. Siblings will be classed as 'one space' to keep children together. Thank you for your understanding.

Please remember to check the school website for updates, policies, news, calendar dates, details of class learning, THRIVE ideas and so much more:

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## Community Carol Singing

We are starting to practise our songs for Christmas. Every year, we are invited to some special events within Seaton Sluice Village. We would like to invite all pupils to join us in singing at the following two events:

### **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November: Turning on Christmas Lights (St Paul's Church)**

Meet outside of the church at 4:15pm. The children will be invited into the church for some events and to sing a Christmas song together.

Families welcome!

### **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December: St Paul's Church Christingle Service at 9:30am**

This lovely service will include Christmas songs and readings. Everyone is welcome, including family members. This is a perfect start to the Christmas period!

PLEASE COME ALONG AND JOIN US- They are always such nice events for us to share together.



## Parent and Carer Think Tank Meeting

Parents and Carers are invited to attend this term's meeting with Mrs Bennett on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November** (in Year 1 Classroom) from **7pm-8pm**. This is a great opportunity to discuss how school life is going and to share ideas together. It is always helpful to have representative from each class in the school. Mrs Bennett looks forward to meeting you then.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

AUTUMN TERM



Please keep checking details of this calendar for any updates. **Highlighted events added**

Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> November	AUTUMN Parent and Carer Think Tank 7pm
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> November	EYFS and Y1 Achievers' Assembly 9:00-9:45am
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Dog Trust Assembly and workshops
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need Day- <b>Run for Pudsey 3pm</b>
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Years 2, 3 and 4 Achievers' Assembly 9:00-9:45am
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Chance to Dance launch (Royal Ballet School) Year 3 (in school)</b>
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Turning on Christmas Lights in Seaton Sluice 4:30pm
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Special Storyteller Experience
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> December	<b>Reception Heights and Weights (am)</b>
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	St Paul's Church Christingle Service 9:30am
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Vision Screening (Reception) 12pm-1:00pm
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS Christmas Performance 1 9:30am
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS Christmas Performance 2 9:30am
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Christmas Performance 1 9:30am
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Christmas Performance 1 9:30am
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Christmas Performance 2 1:30pm
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Christmas Performance 2 1:30pm
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery Christmas Party 9:30am
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Christmas Party 1:30pm
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 1 and 2 Christmas Party 1:30pm
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party 1:30pm
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Christmas Movie in hall 9:15am
<b>Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> December-Tues 9<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY- FINISH EARLY at 2pm</b>
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> January	SVLP TEACHER TRAINING DAY
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> January	Pupils return to school