# Seaton Sluice First School Newsletter 1-Autumn Term



# Shining a light on inclusion"





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<u>Class Attendance for this week... Attend Today...</u>Achieve Tomorrow...Attendance Matters

RECEPTION -93.9% YEAR 1 - 95.1% YEAR 2 - 92.7% YEAR 3 -98.8% YEAR 4 - 93.6%

Year 3 have got off to a flying start, achieving 98.8%- a fantastic result. Remember, our school target is 96.2%.

#### Autumn Term Welcome

We have had a brilliant start to our brand-new term. Welcome to our new families, as well as those who we know so well from previous years. The children have returned with gorgeous smiles on their faces and a spring in their step. For some of our youngest children, settling in can sometimes be a bit trickier; tears when saying goodbye at the start of the day are not unusual. The vast majority of children will come into school and settle quickly. Please know that we will always contact parents or carers if this is not the case. Thank you for all efforts with uniform, organisation of book bags and water bottles as well as keeping up with ongoing school communications via Class Dojo and the school website. Remember that the class pages on our website are updated regularly and include details of what your child will be learning about.

#### Inclusive school culture



Seaton Sluice First School is proud to be an inclusive setting. This means creating an environment where every child, regardless of their background, ability or needs, feels welcomed, valued, and supported so they can learn and thrive alongside their peers.

Inclusion means more than just attending school. It also involves being actively engaged in learning and being supported to develop the tools to succeed. One size does not fit all and even though we have agreed school routines and expectations. For some children, they will require additional strategies to help them, such as providing rest breaks, visual timetables, have extra time to regulate and extra support with managing their emotions. The THRIVE approach is central to how we support pupil behaviour, focusing on social and emotional development. We recognise that behaviour is often a form of communication and provide targeted strategies to help children feel safe, understood and ready to learn. This helps children feel safe and understood, as well as working in partnership with our families. Can we politely request that parents and carers refrain from having discussions about individual children on social media platforms such as WhatsApp? Whilst we appreciate that families may want to talk about and share experiences, it is often not appropriate to have these discussions as part of a shared forum. We request that any concerns should be raised directly with the class teachers at the start or end of the school day or via email to admin@seatonsluicefirst.co.uk . Thank you for your support.





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### After- School Clubs





With the need to support increasing numbers of working families and childcare requests, we are now in a position where the school hall is required to host breakfast and after-school clubs. We are delighted that our wraparound provision is so popular and we have extended our staffing team to accommodate early years pupils. However, this unfortunately means that we no longer can use the hall as a space for after-school clubs. We are still keen to provide enrichment opportunities for the pupils and are currently exploring options both with our own staff as well as external providers. We are keen to hear from our families who have any experience of external providers who may be interested in setting up a club. Furthermore, if you or any family member would like to volunteer, working alongside staff to support a club, we would love to hear from you!

Ideas include: crafts, board games, choir, cookery, problem solving, learning a language, construction, STEM, enterprise and we are also open to other ideas based on people's interesting experiences and hobbies.

If interested, please email the school office (<u>admin@seatonsluicefirst.co.uk</u>) providing more information on your interest and availability. Thank you in advance.

#### **Exciting school partnership**

Following a successful 'linking school leaders' programme accessed by Mrs Bennett and Mrs Walsh, we are delighted to share with you the details of an exciting new link with Our Lady and St Anne's Primary School (OLSA) in Newcastle. Our Year 3 pupils will be linking up with pupils from the same year group at OLSA, working together on shared projects based on contrasting localities and shared experiences. We will invite our friends to our coastal location and will also visit their inner-city location. This fantastic project will open up a wealth of new experiences, enhancing learning in history, the arts, PSHE and humanities. Our launch event will take place on Wednesday 17th September where we will meet our friends, play in our brilliant OPAL outdoor area and spend time getting to know each other. We can't wait to share updates of our experiences with you!



#### Reminder

Please remember that toys should not be brought into school. This includes 'Labubu' style dolls that attach onto bags. Many thanks.

## The SSFS Pupil Golden Rules

- 1. Be kind
- 2. Be honest
- 3. Be respectful



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SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
(new events added on newsletters will be highlighted)	
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	Launch event from SSFS and OLSA Year 3 partnership
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Reception and Year 1 Parent and Carer's phonics meeting 5-5:45pm
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Reception and Year 1 Parent and Carer's phonics meeting 2:30pm
	(alternative date/time)
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 4 Parent and Carer's Robinwood Residential Meeting 5pm
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Black History Week
Friday 10th October	Hello Yellow Day- mental health awareness day (wear something
	yellow- optional)
Tuesday 21st October	Parental Consultations (all classes) 3:30-6:00pm- online booking
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Parental Consultations (all classes) 3:30-6:00pm-online booking
Friday 24th October	Break up for Half-Term
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Pupils Return to School
Thursday 6th November	Early Years and Y1 Achievers' Assembly (invites will be sent to
	families of pupils receiving an award)
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	AUTUMN Parent Think Tank Meeting 6-7pm (new parents
	welcome)
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Years 2, 3 and 4 Achievers' Assembly (invites will be sent to families
	of pupils receiving an award)
Friday 21st November	Children in Need Day- The Great Spotacular
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	No Pens Day (focus on talking and listening)
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery and Reception Christmas Performance 9:30am
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	The Lighthouse Christmas Celebration 2:00pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 1 and 2 Christmas Performance 9:30am
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 3 and 4 Christmas Performance 9:30am
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 1 and 2 Christmas Performance 2:30pm
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 3 and 4 Christmas Performance 1:30pm
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery and Reception Christmas Party 10am
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Y1 and Y2 Christmas Party 1:30pm
Thursday 18th December	Y3 and Y4 Christmas Party 1:30pm
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole school Christmas Movie 9:15am
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Break up for Christmas
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	Pupils return to school