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"Proud of who we are"



Welcome to our fortnightly newsletter

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Dear Families,

Welcome back to our fortnightly Seaton Primary newsletter. With this newsletter, we welcome back Mrs Brenton to the school office and are glad to be sending a regular newsletter again.

Autumn has been very busy so far and already this half term there have been many trips and sporting experiences that have taken place which enrich your child's school experience, including:

Year 3- trip to Stonehenge

Year 4- Trip to Bicton.

Year 4- Roman Baths trip

Year 6 PGL - Osmington Bay

We look forward to more school trips for the children to enjoy in the new year!

Remembrance Day

Today we marked Remembrance Day with a special whole school assembly. The Year 5 children also walked into Seaton town to lay poppy wreaths on the Cenotaph.

Christmas Season...

We are looking forward to the Christmas season which is fast approaching.



Please look out for further dairy dates and information that will follow next Friday, including Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper/ dress up day.

DIARY DATES:



W/C 20th November-
Family meetings

Friday 1st
December- Tempest
Photography
Individual pupil and
school sibling
photos.

Monday 4th
December- Year 1
pantomime.

W/C 11th December-
KS1 Nativity

Friday 15th
December – Last
day of term

Tuesday 2nd
January- Non-pupil
day

Wednesday 3rd
January- Pupils
return to school

Golden Book

A big well done to all the children that have been in the Golden Book so far this term...

We are so proud of you all!



An extra message for everybody...

As we all work together for the best of your children and our community, I am seeking your understanding and support.

Creating and sustaining a school and developing Seaton children really is a team effort from families and community to learning support assistants and teachers, to the office, site and kitchen teams to our hardworking PTFA.

Our PTFA work incredibly hard to create events that bring the children and/or community together and that raise money for the school. Last year the PTFA raised £17,000. With school budgets across the nation being tighter than previous years, as a school we rely on PTFA funding to enrich the curriculum. Last year the PTFA funded:

- **An afternoon each week of Mr Holland's forest school.**

With this extra afternoon combined with the afternoons the school pay for, this meant that every child in every year group had access to forest school at some point in the school year. Forest School benefits pupil mental health, wellbeing, curiosity for the natural world, risk tasking, problem-solving, independence and so much more!

- **DAISI artist workshops for all year groups.**

These workshops enrich our school Art curriculum providing children with an opportunity to develop their artistic skills and talents by working with an artist who can bring in specialist skills and equipment (e.g. printing machine).

- **Contributing towards some coaches for school trips.**

Making sure that we can continue to offer the high number of trips for the children across the school to enrich their schooling, broaden their experiences and to bring curriculum learning to life.

- **Purchasing the community Playthings blocks.**

- This provided Reception children with high quality, large scale building blocks that help to promote physical development, problem-solving, team work, mathematical thinking and much more.
- **Purchasing some extra RWI books.**

This supports the teaching and learning of phonics and early reading.

The PTFA have also secured some additional funding which will support the next phase in development of the Early Years outdoor area - look out for new installations much later in the year of a sandpit and outdoor musical instruments.

With all that the PTFA contribute and keeping in mind that the PTFA are parents and friends of the school that volunteer their time, energy and efforts for the good of the children, school and community, I kindly request that everybody:

- Takes responsibility for treating the PTFA with kindness
- Shows respect and gratitude for the contribution that the PTFA make
- Does their very best, in whatever capacity to support the PTFA, whether helping out at events or letting others know that events are happening
- Communicates with the PTFA, on all platforms, in a kind, respectful and supportive manner
- Uses Class List and Social Media positively when commenting or posting about the PTFA or school in general

If you have concerns or queries that you need to talk to someone about, please contact the Chair of the PTFA directly or contact myself or Mrs Fontes as PTFA liaison via the school admin email account.

Your support here is very much appreciated.

Reminders-

Our swimming pool is still open. If you would like to book your child/ren in for swimming lessons, please contact Seaton Swim School – seatonswimmingschool@gmail.com

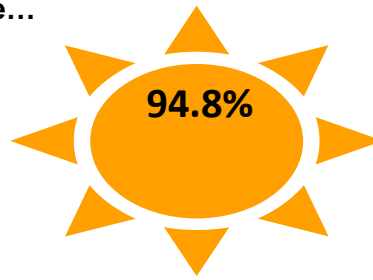
If you would like your child to start music lessons in school, please contact Westcountry School of Music- **07740 117227** Email- wesm@btinternet.com

For piano lessons, please contact Louise Elliott – **07794743324** [email-elliottlouise@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:elliottlouise@hotmail.co.uk)

Attendance

Please can we remind all families of the importance of notifying the School office of your child's absence by 9:30am each day. You can do this via phone, email or parentmail.

Autumn term whole school attendance...



At Seaton Primary school we champion every child's right to an education. Your child's attendance at school is important in contributing to their success in their education.