



Seaton Primary School

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“Caring now, for the future of our community, those in need, our lifestyles, one another, our education and the future itself”

NEWSLETTER

20th April 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well the sun has finally come out and yesterday was the warmest April day since the 1940's. My garden is gradually returning to its normal state after resembling a bog for most of the winter! Yesterday we opened the school field for the first time and the children were beside themselves with excitement as they rushed on.

The Summer Term is known to be a very busy one indeed with an awful lot going on. The diary is filling up very quickly indeed. Please keep an eye on newsletters, parent mail and the school website for updates.

UNIFORM

Please have a look at the school website regarding uniform and what is correct, especially as the summer is upon us and hopefully much warmer days are ahead.

<https://www.seaton-primary.devon.sch.uk/parents/>

Girls can wear their red Summer dresses if they wish and **appropriate footwear must be worn i.e. shoes - NO boots, heels or trainers.**

A few older pupils are wearing leggings under skirts – **Sorry leggings are not allowed** but tights are ok.

Lots of children are wearing hats, which is great and much encouraged to keep the sun off. We have some sunhats available to purchase at the school office for £4.50 (card payment). Sunscreen should be applied before school please and every pupil needs a drinking bottle containing water.

CLUBS

Staff have been deciding on the clubs that they plan to run this term and details will be sent out to you shortly.

SWIMMING

We are pleased to announce that the pool is now ready and we can start swimming next week. Swimming forms part of the National Curriculum and is an important part of our PE programme. Living in a seaside and riverside town we believe swimming is also an important life skill for all of our children. As usual we have asked Mrs Zoe King and her team of highly qualified swimming teachers (Swim South West) to come and deliver our swimming lessons. The cost of the lessons has been subsidised by the school but we are asking parents to support this by making a voluntary contribution of £15 per child. If you have already paid your contribution for the 2017/2018 academic year then please ignore this request. Otherwise please log in to your Parentmail account to pay or come to the office with a card.

Please remember to send your child to school with their kit clearly named. Children may wear their own goggle and will require flip flops or jelly shoes to wear poolside. All children must wear a swimming hat and we have a limited supply available from the school office (£2 each – cash only).



PTA SMARTIES TUBES

Thank you for all your returned Smarties tubes containing coins. We have had a great response. It's not too late to return your tube so if you have one at home please pop it in to the office.

ZUMBA

The JM DanceFit Seaton Little and Junior Starz* ended their Spring Term classes on a high, with two energetic Spanish and Indian themed Zumba displays enjoyed by family members. All of the children were awarded well deserved certificates of achievement for their hard work this term. The classes which allow children to have fun while improving both their confidence and fitness levels will continue to be held at the school by local Zumba instructor Johanna Morgan for the foreseeable future. New children are welcome to join these termly classes after the Easter break, which are due to recommence on Monday 30th April.

HOST FAMILIES WANTED

Host families are required to look after students visiting from Germany arriving for 2 weeks from the 8th of July. Hosts are asked to provide breakfast, packed lunch and dinner. Payment of £300 per student paid. Please contact Sharon on 01297 625875 or email shardav5@aol.com

BEER BLAZER

The Beer Blazer first started in 2012 and is still going strong! There are three different levels of ability; 10K, 5K (Minimum age 12 years) or a children's one mile (11 years and under) multi-terrain fun run with all proceeds being donated to Beer Primary C of E School. The courses are mainly over private land covering fields, tracks, challenging pebble beach, 'The Stairway to Heaven' undercliffs, cliff tops and open common with breath-taking views of the Jurassic Coast. This fundraising event is held under the Association of Running Clubs (ARC) rules and is part of the East Devon Community Race Series. P.T.F.A. barbeque, cakes and refreshments will be available. Ben the Juggler and a bouncy castle (weather permitting) for entertainment. Updated details on Facebook event are at Beer Blazer 2018. We look forward to seeing you!

Morning registration open from 9am on Sunday 20th May 2018

Race starts at 10.30am on Sunday 20th May 2018

Start Point: Pecorama's Top Car Park, Underleys, Beer, Devon EX12 3NA

Venue: A traffic-free course run over A.V.R. 'Grizzly' territory.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/beerblazer>

Online race entry: <https://www.fullonsport.com/event/beerblazer/profile>

School website: <http://beer-ce-primary.devon.sch.uk>

ABSENCES

Parents and carers are reminded to contact the school by 9.30am if their child is going to be absent from school due to illness. **PLEASE CONTACT SCHOOL EVERY DAY THAT YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT.** Please use the Parentmail app, leave a message on the answerphone (01297 20922) or email admin@seatonprimary.org.uk. If your child has an appointment that you know about in advance, please ensure you have informed the office. Please do not rely on children to pass on messages - instead please write a short note to the office staff or let us know by phone or in person at the counter. The school has a duty of care to know the whereabouts of children and when we have not been informed of the reason for a child's absence the office staff have had to spend a great deal of time phoning various contact numbers to find out why a child is missing from school.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

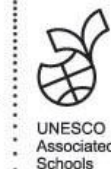
We have a significant number of families who are entitled to free school meals. If you fit the criteria then not only will your child receive a free school meal but the school gains a whopping £1320 towards supporting your child's education. This can also help pay towards trips, uniform, clubs etc and many families have seen the benefits of it. If you think you may be entitled then please log on to the Devon County Council Citizen Portal.

STAFF VACANCIES

We are still looking for casual meal time assistants, kitchen assistants and cleaners who are willing to help us cover sickness and other short notice absences. Mealtime assistant hours are **12.15pm to 1.30pm**, kitchen hours will vary but are mornings and cleaning is for 2 hours after school. If you are able to help us out, please pop in to the office, phone or email to register your interest. (Hourly rate of £7.78 per hour). Casual hours often lead to permanent positions.

SICKNESS & DIARRHOEA

If your child suffers with sickness and diarrhoea please remember to keep them off school for 48 hours after the last incident to prevent the spread of the infection.



NUTS – ALL YEAR GROUPS May we respectfully ask parents NOT to provide their child with nuts for their mid-morning snack or lunch as some children have severe nut allergies.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 7 th May	Bank Holiday – school shut
Week Commencing 14 th May	Year 6 SATS week
Friday 18 th May 2018	School Photographer in school to take class group photos
Friday 25 th May	School closed
Mon 28 th May to Fri 1 st June	Half term
Monday 4 th June	School closed (training day)
Tuesday 5 th June	Children return to school
Wednesday 13 th June	Parent & Pupil information evening at Axe Valley Academy for new intake
Thursday 14 th June	Axe Valley Academy new intake Induction Day for Year 6 pupils
Wednesday 20 th June	Woodroffe Induction Day for Year 6 pupils
Tuesday 26 th June	Colyton Grammar Induction Day for Year 6 pupils
Monday 2 nd July to 4 th July	Sidmouth College New Intake Days for Year 6 pupils
Saturday 7 th July	Summer Fete 11am to 3pm
Friday 27 th July	Break up for summer holidays

Best wishes,
Nic George

