



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

22nd March 2019

It's the end of another very busy week here at Seaton Primary School. It's all go and the Year 3 & 4 pupils are hard at work getting ready for their forthcoming play. I hope you find this newsletter informative and I wish you all a restful weekend.

SCIENCE WEEK

This brilliant annual event is led by our passionate science co-ordinator Mr Hunt who kicked the week off with an enthralling presentation to the whole school on Monday! A big thank you goes out to him. I hope everyone has enjoyed the themes this week and the opportunities the event has created. Well done to all those families and children who made a display for the science fair.

SPORTS NEWS

We have had another busy and successful week for Seaton sport. On Tuesday, children from Years 5/6 took part in the Colyton Grammar School tag-rugby competition. We fielded a year 5 and year 6 team, both performing strongly and demonstrating passion and excellent team work. The Seaton Raiders eventually came out on top, winning in the final 4 -2 after a closely contested match. I want to say huge congratulations to both squads for representing the school. Thank you to Mr Johnson, Mrs Woodhouse and Mrs Veal for organising and taking the children for the day; without the staff and adult support these events would not take place.

On Wednesday, we participated in the 3/4 Swimming Gala at Axe Valley Academy. The children demonstrated how regular swimming and competence with a range of strokes is cultivated by having our excellent swimming pool facilities. The combined points total for the team was 187, taking them to the top of the podium and becoming overall winners this year! It is an excellent achievement winning the swimming gala and something which Seaton has not been able to achieve in recent years. Thank you to all the squad for representing the school and modelling the Spirit of the Games values. Additional thanks go to Mr Rae, Mrs Broderick and Mrs Lawrence for organising and attending the event, their support ensures the children have opportunities to flourish on the sports field (pool).

Mr Delfosse

Year 5 Teacher & PE Coordinator

ATTENDANCE

School attendance as I mentioned recently is up at 96.2% which is great. Last year at this time we were on 95.4%. Currently we are above the national average for school attendance. Just remember folks WE ARE NOT ALLOWED TO AUTHORISE HOLIDAY IN TERM TIME UNLESS THERE ARE EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES! Being 'cheaper' does NOT come under that category!



BUG HOTELS

Many thanks for all the offers of wooden pallets. We now have 3 stacks of pallets ready to start building our bug houses around the car park. The lunch time Woods Club are keen to get involved and anyone else please call in and see me (parents, families etc).

ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK

We had two visiting speakers this week in assembly – Richard and Joy Blunt who shared the story of Moses with the children. This was enjoyed by all.

BRAIN TUMOUR RESEARCH DAY

We have decided to support Brain Tumour Research Day by getting involved with their annual 'Wear a Hat Day' which is on Friday 29th March 2019. This will be a nice way to support a charity that is close to many of us. We are asking the children to donate 50p to wear a hat for the day with their normal full school uniform. We look forward to raising money for this great charity that does a lot to support scientific research.

EASTER ASSEMBLY FOR EYFS & KS1

Parents and carers are invited to an Easter assembly on Thursday 4th April. This will take place in the hall at 9.15am. Please come along to hear and join in with Easter themed songs and to share the children's work.

CANCER RESEARCH UK CAKE SALE & NON UNIFORM DAY

Louise Burrige (one of our pupil's Mums) is running the Virgin London Marathon in April in aid of Cancer Research UK.

She will be holding a cake sale on **Thursday 4th April @ 3:20pm** in the school hall. Please come and support this and any donations of cakes will be gratefully received.

We will also be having a non-uniform day that day for a suggested donation of £1.

NETBALL

Netball : New year 4 and 5 session starting 23 April 2019

Every Tuesday, 4.10pm to 5.10pm

Axminster LED Sports Centre

£2.00 per session (payable in advance for the half term : £10.00)

Contact : love2playnetball@gmail.com

EASTER ACTIVITIES

Looking for something fun and active for your kids at Easter? Look no further, Mark Bailey (Sporting Chance) is running one of his really popular holiday courses as usual at Seaton Primary. Multi sports days include all your child's favourite games from dodgeball, right the way through to capture the flag, hockey, football, tag rugby and basketball! There are prizes and trophies up for grabs for every child. If football is their thing, the Wednesday is dedicated to just football with games, drills and matches all day or why not try our forest school morning. Kids will learn survival skills, shelter building, fire lighting and many other great new skills in a safe and supervised environment!"

Telephone: 07881 628205

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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.



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.

STAMPS

Please bring your used postage stamps to the office. We collect on behalf of the Children’s Hospice South West. Many thanks

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Friday 29th March
Thursday 4th April

Wear a hat day for Brain Tumour Research 50p donation (wear uniform)
Cake sale and non-uniform day for Cancer Research UK
EYFS & KS1 Easter assembly 9.15am
Break up for Easter holiday (normal time).
Children return to school.
No School. Bank Holiday Monday
Ashley Wood Photos (class photos)

Friday 5th April
Tuesday 24th April
Monday 6th May
Friday 17th May

Best wishes,

Nic George

Head

