



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

21st November 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

We come to an end of another busy week here at Seaton Primary School. Preparations for the Christmas Bizarre (Friday 29th November) are well in hand. We have numerous contributions coming in and I know there are lots more requests to follow. I look forward to seeing every one there.

THE AXE BEACON FEDERATION AND SEATON PRIMARY SCHOOL

The new Governors of the Axe Beacon Federation met on Friday afternoon for the first time. Their role will be to be responsible for overseeing the management side of our schools. This will include, strategy, policy, budgeting and staffing. They aim for our schools to be run as effectively as possible, working alongside the senior leaders and supporting teachers to provide excellent education for the children.

I will be meeting a number of them next week including the new Chair of Governors Zoe Briant-Evans. I know they are a hand selected group of individuals with a vast amount of professional educational experience. Zoe will be introducing herself to you very soon and will outline where the federation is going next, in terms of both governorship and leadership. We have now entered a new phase and I will now reiterate to you what I have already told all the staff, that being we keep focused on both our work with the children and the job at hand. There is a great deal we want to achieve both in the immediate and long term future. The new Governors are very keen to get to grips with their new roles and will be getting to know each school very soon.

Throughout this term and the end of last I have been helping to support in some of the executive head duties following the absence of Mr Rolls. This has now come to an end and I can get back to focusing 100% of my time on Seaton Primary School. A letter from our Chair of Governors will outline the new leadership structure across the Axe Beacon Federation.

We have been going through a period of uncertainty this half term and that has had its added pressures. But as we move forward, I feel very optimistic about the future and I am looking forward to working with our new Governors. All the staff want you to get behind us during this transition period and support the work we are doing. Everyone is working really hard, especially as we approach the festive season and a full array of the usual celebrations are all being planned for you to enjoy.

POPPY APPEAL

The Royal British legion are delighted to announce that the children at Seaton Primary School have raised a whopping £504.17 This is a fantastic amount and they would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all the children.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The book fair is here! To help celebrate reading across the school we have a fun, pop-up event that's all about books for our children here at Seaton to enjoy. Our book fair is packed with the newest and best books from over sixty authors starting from only £2.99. Every book sold at the Fair can help us to get free books for Seaton Primary school. **Please come along to the hall after school 3.20pm – 4.00pm Thursday 21st November and Monday 25th November to browse and buy from a selection of books and stationary for all ages.** There will also be an opportunity for your child to browse and buy books during the school day across the next couple of weeks.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR AN HOUR

If you are able to help run a stall (raffle, refreshments, glitter tattoos, mulled wine, hook a duck and many more) between 5.30-6.30 or 6.30-7.30 please contact the PTA via Facebook page or email seatonpta@gmail.com.

DONATIONS

Advanced notice – **DONATIONS NEEDED** for The Great Christmas Hamper Raffle

Our ever popular Christmas Hampers will be available to win at our Christmas Bazaar on Friday 29th November. We rely solely on your kind donations for the hampers. Each year group collects their donations and they are put together in beautifully presented hampers.

Last year the raffle raised £699.45 at the Christmas Bazaar so we really appreciate your donations towards making this year's raffle as successful!

Donations will be gratefully received from Monday 18th November up to Friday 29th November. Please give your donations to your child's Class Teacher.

NOTIFYING THE SCHOOL OF ILLNESS

There are three main ways of notifying the school if your child is not coming to school.

1. Telephone the school – 01297 20922 – Leave a message
2. Parentmail message.
3. Email the school – admin@seatonprimary.org.uk

We require you to notify us by **9:00am** if your child is not attending school that day. Office staff are wasting valuable time in the morning chasing parents to find out where children are. If they are unsuccessful in making contact then we have to make a home visit and if that is unsuccessful we have to contact the police! Please everyone, be on the ball with this matter!

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. Children must not swim for 2 weeks after an episode of sickness and/or diarrhoea.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Friday 22 nd November	Non-Pupil Day
Friday 29 th November	PTFA Christmas Bazaar
Tuesday 10 th December	KS2 Carol Concert at the Methodist Church 6pm
Wednesday 11 th December	KS2 Carol Concert at the Methodist Church 2pm & 6pm
Week commencing 16 th December	Year 4 cake sale after school.
Mon 16 th Dec 2pm & 6pm	R & KS1 Nativity (Ticket details available nearer the time)
Tues 17 th Dec 9.30am & 6pm	As above
Weds 18 th December	School Christmas lunch (details to follow)
Friday 20 th Dec 1pm	Break up for Christmas Holiday at 1pm.
Monday 6 th January	No pupils in school (Training Day)
Tuesday 7 th January	Pupils return to school.

Best wishes,
Nic George

Head

