



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

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We come to the end of another very busy week here at Seaton Primary School. I hope you find this newsletter informative and useful.

CORONAVIRUS

We are getting updates about the Coronavirus coming into school from both the NHS and the LEA and we send these onto you. There are 16 confirmed cases in the UK at present and you might have heard that a few schools who recently went on trips to Northern Italy have closed temporarily. At Seaton Primary, it remains business as normal, but we will keep you up to date.

OFSTED SUBJECT INSPECTION – HISTORY

On Monday we had a phone call from OFSTED announcing that they were coming to school on Thursday, to do a Section 8 Inspection of the teaching of history across the school. We were one of 30 schools previously graded as ‘outstanding’ in the South West that were randomly chosen for this one day inspection. The inspector Dr Stephen Lee is a leading expert in the teaching of history and he spent the day with us talking about our curriculum intention and design. This also involved going through our history curriculum, the opportunities for learning that arise in the subject, observing lessons across the school, looking at children’s books and talking to both pupils and staff about history. It was a very thorough inspection and a rewarding / positive experience. The inspection is not graded and Dr Lee will report back to OFSTED.

A huge thankyou to all the staff who had to pull together lots of information at short notice in readiness for the inspection. Children at Seaton Primary School really enjoy history and are very enthusiastic about the subject. This was very evident during the inspection.

PGL RESIDENTIAL VISIT – YEAR 6

On Wednesday Ms Salter and I spent the day with the Year 6 pupils and staff at the PGL Centre at Osmington Bay. What a fantastic opportunity the pupils were experiencing there! Climbing, abseiling, archery, cart building, obstacle course, fencing etc... the list goes on. A huge thankyou to all the staff who made this visit possible – Miss Crockett (who organised and led the visit), Mr Delfosse, Mrs Dyer, Mrs Tiley, Miss Taylor and Mrs Woodhouse who spent the week with the children.

PARENTS EVENING

I hope you have all managed to book your parents evening slot for next week. This a very important event within the school calendar and it helps support our partnership with you as parents.



PE KIT

PE is a compulsory part of the national curriculum and in order to participate fully, pupils need to have their PE kit in school at the start of the week. PE kit should be **brought in on a Monday** and **taken home every Friday** for washing. Our PE kit is as follows –

Every day and indoor PE Kit	Winter Outdoor Kit	Swimming Kit
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Long hair tied back• Studs / earring removed / covered• Red t- shirt• Plain black shorts• White, grey or black socks• Trainers (not plimsolls)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dark track suit bottoms / change of sweater• Red t- shirt• White, grey or black socks• Trainers (not plimsolls)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Girls – One piece swim suit, goggles, hat, towel• Boys – swimming trunks / shorts (above the knee), goggles, hat, towel

ASSEMBLY

The theme this week has been inked to our 3D Child work on ENERGISE. This revolves around what we do to keep our energy levels up – what we eat, what we do to exercise and how we gain sufficient rest.

PARKING

This week we had a parking reinforcement officer patrolling the front of school and there have been no issues this week folks. Our neighbours at the hospital and health centre are extremely appreciative. Please keep up the good work!

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 5th March 2020 is World Book Day. This is an annual celebration of authors, illustrators, books and reading in schools across the country. We would like to invite all children to join the fun and come to school dressed as their favourite book character for the day. We look forward to seeing your creativity, and to have some book themed fun!

BOOK FAIR

The book fair is back! The Scholastic travelling book fair was such a success last term and raised lots of money for the school to spend on new books for the children. We will be running the book fair again between Wednesday 4th March and Wednesday 11th March. Look out for more information after half term about when you and your child can come and buy some fantastic new books and stationary!

GRIZZLY MARSHAL NEEDED

We need one more volunteer to marshal for The Grizzly on Sunday 8th March. If you can help, please contact the PTA via Facebook or email seatonptfa@gmail.com.

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 also 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.

NUTS

May we respectfully ask parents/carers **NOT** to provide their child with **nuts** for their mid- morning snack or lunch, as we have some children in school with **severe nut allergies**. We thank you for your co-operation with this.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday 4th March -11th March Scholastic book fair

Thursday 5th March - World book day (children to come dressed up as their favourite book character)

Friday 20th March - NSPCC Speak out stay safe visit KS1/KS2 & YR 5/6

Tuesday 21st April - Public Health Team visit/ weighing and measuring Reception & YR 6

Friday 27th March – Children break up for Easter

Monday 14th April – Non pupil day

Tuesday 15th April – Children return to school

Best wishes,
Nic George
Head

