



## Seaton Primary School

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# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It is the end of another busy week here at Seaton Primary School. The temperature has dropped right down on occasions and our caretaker has been busy salting paths etc...

Please do watch your step out there!

### POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

The new 5 step approach to positive behaviour is working really well. Children are really keen to stay on numbers 1 -2 (i.e. I am working well on my own or with others) and try hard to avoid getting onto 3+ (warning etc). If they do end up on 3 , then they are trying really hard to get back down to 1 / 2 and they know it is their responsibility to make the necessary changes.

### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

We are spending a great deal of time monitoring our curriculum at present. We have a new tracking system, which informs us really well how children are progressing from their starting point and helps to target the future attainment goals. We are holding regular meetings to review how all pupils are getting on and this feeds our curriculum planning and support programmes.

Over the last week, Miss Curnock has been focusing on group reading with Mrs Bennett, and Miss Redwood has been working on maths with Mrs Fontes / Mrs Taylor. Part of this process is watching the teachers and TAs working directly with the children but also scrutinising the planning, assessment and the pupils actual work.

### PUPIL VOICE

Last Friday Mrs Eriksson worked with 16 pupils across the school to reflect on a number of items regarding what they thought about Seaton Primary School. She asked pupils to responds to a range of questions from –

- Do you like school? Yes and most of the time
- Do you feel safe at school? Yes
- Are the teachers friendly and helpful? 100% yes!
- Do pupils behave well at the school? Almost all the time.
- Does the new Behaviour 1-5 approach work well. A big yes here!
- Does my teacher regularly let me know how to improve and I understand my targets? Most yes ,but a few children said they would like more feedback.
- Have you ever seen bullying going on? When and where? A majority had never seen bullying going on, some had witnessed it but it was dealt with and some said yes but a long time ago.

These are just a taster of what Mrs Eriksson covered with the pupils. She intends to work with another group next term and explore some questions in more detail.



## STAFFING

Today we said goodbye to Mrs Broderick, she leaves us to take up a new post near Dawlish. We wish her well and hope she will be very happy

## POOL UPDATE

We are hoping to open the pool as soon as possible but this may not be for a while. Western Power want to upgrade the electric supply coming into school and they want us not to install a new pump for the pool, until this work has been done.

## CLUBS

Mrs Brenton has finished preparing the list of clubs for this term and the list has gone out today, with all the information about free clubs and paying. Please feel free to pop into the office if you have any queries.

## THERAPY DOG

**Maddie the Lurcher has been in every Friday of late. She has met lots of children and has proved to be a calming influence.**

## COATS

Can you please ensure that your child brings a coat to school this time of the year, the weather remains cold ,so it is so important that the children keep warm.

## HYGIENE

Please talk to your children about hygiene and the importance of washing their hands, there are so many horrid bugs around at the moment

## 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**.

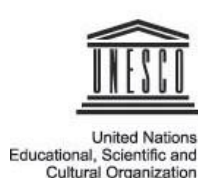
## SICKNESS & DIARRHOEA

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



**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February**- Inside Out Day for Children's Mental Health (More Info to follow)  
**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21<sup>st</sup>** – Half Term

Best wishes,  
Nic George  
Head

