



Seaton Primary School

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

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We come to the end of yet another week. I hope that you are all keeping well and that you find this newsletter informative.

The Prime Minister will be announcing shortly how the Government intends to unlock the lock down over time. This is unlikely to be a quick process! For the moment we soldier on and I know we are all keen to see both life and school back to normal but we have to be patient. There are however, some great things the staff are doing to help bring our school community together.

GOVERNOR UPDATE

The Chair of our Governing Body recently wrote to you saying that the process of de-federation was taking longer than expected due to the lock down. She is starting to look at formulating a new, interim Seaton Primary School Governing body and she has asked if anyone is interested in this important role in helping the school to move forward. Please email admin@seatonprimary.org.uk if you would like to find out more and I can contact you.

STAFF VIDEOS

A parentmail is going out today with the link on it for the staff 'hello' video. It will also be posted on the school website. Many thanks to the staff for contributing towards this and to Miss Crockett for editing all the clips.

POETRY PLEASE

Each week I will be providing you a link to a poetry reading that I or maybe a member of staff have made. This week's poem is 'Dog in the Playground' by Allan Ahlberg. It's a classic and I hope you and the children enjoy it. Video credits go to my daughter who knows how to use iMovie.

<https://youtu.be/epKiyy8rG10>

HOME LEARNING

Home learning is continuing to evolve at Seaton Primary School. Year 5 have been experimenting with a live stream to pupils this week and other year groups will be trialling this very soon.

We would very much welcome your feedback as to how this is working- for you and your child/children, please send this to homelearning@seatonprimary.org.uk.

You can also contact us for support with Google classroom through the following emails:

passwordrecovery@seatonprimary.org.uk – for lost or forgotten usernames or passwords

technicalsupport@seatonprimary.org.uk – queries regarding accessing the site

activitiesupport@seatonprimary.org.uk – questions about the school work that has been set

CONTINUED WORK ON SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

Working remotely with the entire staff is not easy but there are things that we can get done both in term of keeping our teachers in touch with their professional development, ensuring that things we want in place for the next academic year are ready to go. Recently we have been looking at the role of subject leaders and we have further work to do on our 'vocabulary' project, assessment / feedback and a new personal, social and health policy and scheme of work.

CREATE A NATIONAL BOOK TOKEN DESIGN

Win £5000 for our school library!

You could **win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for our school library**, ready to spend when schools reopen – and if your entry is picked, **you'll also get £100 of National Book Tokens to spend on yourself!**

Please nominate Seaton Primary here and help spread the word! The more nominations we receive, the better our chances of winning.

https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools?utm_source=nbt&utm_medium=email&utm_content=win-5000&utm_campaign=schools-campaign-2020



Encourage your children to create a fabulous National Book Token design while they're learning from home, and they could return to school with National Book Tokens for all! Whether it's our **school crest doodled in ink**, a **pencil drawing of the entire class**, or **something completely different**, one child's design will be chosen to put on a National Book Tokens gift card every week for seven weeks.

When schools open up again, the young designer and their classmates will each receive a £10 National Book Token – emblazoned with the winning artwork – to inspire them to choose their next favourite book from their local bookshop. The competition is open from Wednesday 6th May and the **closing date for entries is Sunday 28th June 2020**. For more details and how to enter please visit: https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/create-a-national-book-token-for-your-class?utm_source=nbt&utm_medium=email&utm_content=create&utm_campaign=schools-campaign-2020

WILD EAST DEVON

Activities for your garden-

I would like to draw your attention to a free, online resource called 'outdoor activities for your garden':

<https://eastdevon.gov.uk/countryside/outdoor-activities-for-your-garden/>

During the corona virus social distancing measures, the Wild East Devon Rangers are still working to get young people outdoors into their gardens as part of their home learning. They are posting instructional videos of ideas of how to take education outside. Activities include Map Making, Ice Eggs, Bird's Nests, Maths Potions, Blossom Crafts, Stick Skeletons and more.

INTERNET SAFETY VIDEO

Free Internet Safety Video for your children 'Captain Wonderweb and the Lockdown' by Shooting Star Entertainments.

[View Email Online](#)

THINGS I'VE NOTICED THIS WEEK

- My neighbour has filled his car with petrol for the first time since February.
- Seagulls are no longer nesting on my neighbour's roof but have now started on mine!
- Getting up at 4am to see the super moon and the International Space Station go by is worth it.
- The first priority when playing on a Nintendo Wii is to hold onto the remote control otherwise it will result in an expensive error!

RECIPE

Not so much a recipe but a marinade. It works with really well with both meat and vegetables! Great for a BBQ, grill or roast.

X4 table spoons of soya sauce

X4 table spoons of olive oil

X2 table spoons of tomato sauce

X1 table spoon of vinegar

X1 tea spoon of ground pepper

X2 cloves of garlic crushed

BALANCING LIFE, FAMILY AND WORK

Well done to everyone who is trying to balance out life at the moment. There are all sorts of pressures going on for all of us and we have to find new ways to approach life. I know the Seaton staff, have all been hard at work this week, helping each other out and going the extra mile whenever they can whilst leading busy family lives.

I wish everyone a happy, safe, long weekend. If where you live is having an 'isolated' street party to celebrate the 75th anniversary of VE Day then the weather is set to be fair. I hope you manage to also take in some fresh air and exercise!

Nic George

Head of School

