



# 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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## NEWSLETTER and UPDATE

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Dear parents and carers,

This is the final newsletter of the academic year and I hope you find this newsletter useful and informative. We are incredibly busy still and this will continue into the summer holidays, as we prepare for full opening in September. The new risk assessment / guidelines from Devon County Council arrived last Friday and we are working hard to ensure that we fully comply with this. There will be more information to follow, however a number of approaches have already been agreed and here are some of the important things you need to know –

- There will be a **staggered start and end** to the school day. We need ALL parents to adhere strictly to this plan to make it work (**see below**). Arrival and departure time will depend on the eldest child in your family.
- Parents must **arrive and depart promptly** at the correct times.
- Parents will be expected to **socially distance** at both the **start and end** of school (usual pick up points).
- Additional **hand washing facilities** are being installed and this regime will be imperative throughout the school day.
- The school will be cleaned **during** and **after** the school day.
- **COVID rules** and health guidelines will remain in place.
- The 'pods' will be enlarged: Whole year groups and the classes within them will be kept **separate** throughout the day as practically possible.
- There will be **no large gatherings** in school e.g. assemblies in the hall
- Children wearing a **mask** to school will need to **store it in a sandwich like bag** for their **sole** use only. There are no requirements for the compulsory wearing of masks in school.
- All children will be expected to wear **school uniform** and wear the **correct PE kit**.
- The **main entrance will be open** and the **main large metal gate** near Pink Hippos will be an access point to school. One way systems will be in place in both these areas.
- The metal gate by Rupert's Pre School, will **remain out of use**.
- **One parent** will be allowed to accompany the children to school
- **School lunches** will continue (we encourage everyone to take these up). We have a fantastic new Kitchen Manager starting and a new menu is on the way.
- **Mrs Royle's Year 5 class** will move to the **community room** which is next to Happy Hawks
- Lunch times and play times will be **staggered**.



- Year 5 and 6 will **eat lunch in their classrooms** (we can only manage two full sittings in the hall and children will sit at allocated class **tables** in there).
- There will be a strong emphasis in September for teachers to understand where children are within their learning and support their personal / social development.
- On PE days, **children come in their kit** (no need for PE bags).

### Start /End of the School Day Timings

Families with <b>eldest</b> child in <b>Reception, Year 1 or Year 2</b>	Families with <b>eldest child</b> in <b>Year 3 or 4</b>	Families with <b>eldest</b> child in <b>Year 5 or 6</b>
Arrival: <b>From 8:40am until 8:45am</b>	Arrival: <b>From 8:45am until 8:50am</b>	Arrival: <b>From 8:50am until 8:55am</b>
Departure: <b>3:10pm</b>	Departure: <b>3:15pm</b>	Departure: <b>3:20pm</b>

### Staffing Reminder

<b>Reception – Miss Mabin</b>		<b>Reception – Miss Sloan</b>	
<b>Year 1 – Mrs Burkill</b>	<b>Year 1 and 2 – Miss Broom</b>		<b>Year 2 – Miss Curnock</b>
<b>Year 3 – Mrs Eriksson / Mrs Fontes (this class is shared equally)</b>		<b>Year 3 – Mrs Turner</b>	
<b>Year 4 – Miss Smith</b>		<b>Year 4 – Mrs Bateman</b>	
<b>Year 5 – Mr Delfosse</b>		<b>Year 5 – Mrs Royle</b>	
<b>Year 6 – Mrs Taylor (4 days) and Mrs Clode (1 day)</b>		<b>Year 6 – Miss Crockett</b>	

### **STAFFING UPDATE**

Mrs Jo Bennett will be taking over from Mrs Royle in Year 5 after October half term. Mrs Bennett is an experienced teacher who has worked locally and abroad. She will be spending time with Mrs Royle and her class next half term in order to get to know everyone.

### **WELCOME PAGES AND VIDEOS**

Your new teacher should have been in touch with you via parentmail, sharing with you an information page and short video about themselves and the class in September. The staff have been very creative in producing these videos and have included lots of useful information.

### **SUMMER READING CHALLENGE**

Have you signed up to the Summer Reading Challenge yet? Read 6 books over the holidays, rate and review them, enjoy games and activities, all for free at <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/> Don't forget, eBooks and eAudiobooks count, borrow them for free through BorrowBox and LibbyApp.



## PTA NEWS

'100 Club' launching in September

There will be a monthly virtual draw from September-June with cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd numbers drawn. The cost to join is £10 for 10 draws. We hope to raise £600 for School funds if we sell all 100 numbers. We are not currently able to sell numbers in the usual way so we would be grateful if you could promote Seaton Primary School PTA 100 Club to your family and friends. Please contact [treasurers1pta@gmail.com](mailto:treasurers1pta@gmail.com) to secure your lucky number!

Co-op funding

Seaton Primary School Swimming pool is currently one of co-op's chosen charities, you can help us raise money by choosing Seaton Primary School Swimming pool as your chose cause to benefit from your donations every time you show at Co-op!

PTA Bookshare

This project will continue during the summer holidays. We now have 5 collection sites and we have added a 'share a story' selection of picture books for younger children to share with an adult, please see Seaton Primary PTA events facebook page for more information.

Year 6 Leavers - donate a book scheme

Thank you to all parents and carers of children due to move on to Secondary School who have kindly donated books for the new school library to inspire future pupils to develop a love of reading! If you would still like to donate a book in your child's name, please contact [seatonptfa@gmail.com](mailto:seatonptfa@gmail.com).

Tea towels

There are a limited number of left over Reception/Years 1-3 and Years 4-6 tea towels for sale for £1.50 each, please contact [chairspta@gmail.com](mailto:chairspta@gmail.com) if you would like to purchase.

Wishing everyone in our school community an enjoyable summer break!

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### CROWD FUNDING FOR A PUPIL

We have a special pupil at school, who has physical needs. Her Mum and Dad do a fantastic job bringing her up and she is doing really well in life. Her parents have set up a Just Giving page in order to help buy some specialist equipment for their daughter. Her parents would love our school community to chip in and help purchase some resources. Please have a look at the link below.

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/alanah-bray-1>

This has been the most challenging year of my career which has spanned 30 years.

Myself and the team are feeling very optimistic and positive for the future and we can't wait to welcome all the children back.

The Seaton Primary School staff have done a sterling job over the last 5 months to keep things going and moving forward.

To our year 6 pupils departing for secondary, we say farewell, make the most of the opportunities that lie ahead and good luck!

Those families whose children have now all passed through the school, we'd like to say a huge thankyou to you all for your support and our very best wishes go to you all.

**Nic George**

Head of School

