



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

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to thank everyone for making me feel so welcome for this half term. The children have been an absolute delight and a credit to both the school and you as parents. Have a lovely relaxing holiday and we look forward to a very busy last half term.



WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

RECEPTION

Reception have become Sea life experts this week, learning new exciting facts. We never knew Octopus have beaks! We have also been measuring pots and beakers to make the biggest potion, practising our ball skills and being fantastic story tellers.

KS1 Titanic Day

Year 1 and Year 2 have had an amazing end to the half term celebrating Titanic Day! It has been an excellent topic to explore together in class and it has been great to end it on such a high. Today we have played lots of Titanic themed games and even prepared all of our own food for our three-course afternoon tea. We have been amazed with the thought and preparations that have gone into the costumes - well done parents!





YEAR 3

What a fantastic term Year 3 have had, fully immersing themselves into the topic of Ancient Egyptians. This week the children have written and published their non-chronological reports on the topic of either pyramids, farmers or pharaohs. The children have spent the past few weeks learning about features of a non-chronological report, collecting facts, learning about writing using a range of sentence forms and up levelling their descriptive writing. They have produced some incredible pieces of work and they should all be very proud! The children have been growing plants in our Science lessons as well as recording observations what happens when conditions have been changed. They all have grown their own bean plant which they have brought home with them to continue growing over the next few weeks. We have all enjoyed the glorious sunshine over the past few days and made sure that the children have been able to take their learning outside. They used daisies to create arrays and use these to form division number sentences. We are all looking forward to a well-earned rest during the half term break and are very much looking forward to the return of the children refreshed and ready to tackle the final Summer term. Enjoy your break!

YEAR 4

Year 4 have had yet another busy week! In History we've been researching the possible reasons why Roman Emperor Claudius invaded Britain. The children have written up some fantastic explanations, showcasing what historians they are!

The theme of our Reading and Science has been teeth. We've explored the poems 'Dentist Dan' and 'Toothless Wonder' which have provided some giggles and great opportunities for performance! In Science we have learned how a healthy diet helps our teeth and created posters and adverts to demonstrate our understanding.

After a busy half term, it's finally time for the children to have a well-deserved break (hopefully in the sunshine!). We look forward to seeing them, refreshed, in a week's time.

YEAR 5

Year 5 have had such a fabulous week and worked incredibly hard. Today the children have had a lovely sunny afternoon in the woods enjoying forest school with Mr Holland.

We are very much looking forward to our Year 5 trip to Seaton Wetlands next term. We wish the children a lovely and enjoyable break.

YEAR 6

Y6 have been working extremely hard again this week. We have been doing lots of quick revision Maths and they have been publishing their Pandora reports, which look amazing! On Tuesday, we participated in a Devon Athletics competition. Mrs Harris (from CGS) was extremely impressed with the children's resilience, determination and enthusiasm towards all of the events and explained that it is evident the children practise and value PE at Seaton Primary and this reflects in not only their scores but attitudes too. We were delighted to find out that class 6ZC came 1st and class 6TC came 4th out of all the local schools- well done Year 6!

The children have been working hard on their athletic disciplines and we are very proud; bring on Sports Day! The Lion King JR has now been cast and the children have been informed of their roles. This was a very difficult process and we have had to double cast in order to give a larger range of children the opportunity for a named part. Some children will inevitably be disappointed but please reassure them that we are all one team and that the named characters are only one small part of the puzzle. The ensemble, lighting and sound team, props and stage managers etc are all essential to putting on a production and we will explore the roles the children can take on. Well done to all the children this term and we hope you all enjoy a sunny half term!



A huge congratulations to Annie, Isabelle, Ted, Thomas and Tom in 6ZC who have achieved their marathon this week.

GOODBYE

Today we say goodbye to Ms Spence. Myself and the Seaton team would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all of her hard work, we have thoroughly enjoyed working with her and wish Ms Spence all the very best in her new role.

THANK YOU!

Seaton Primary would like to say a huge thank you to Eric Bowman for the very kind donation of plants that he has given to the school. The staff and children were absolutely delighted to receive these and will enjoy watching them grow and tasting some of the end results!

PTA

Please select Seaton Primary PTA as your chosen charity on Amazon Smile and Easy Fundraising, as well as for the current period of the local Co-op funding scheme. This form of fundraising will form a key aspect of our strategy for the foreseeable future and it would be fantastic to have as many people contributing as possible.

FOREST SCHOOL HALF TERM CLUB

Half term Forest School 'Wild School' with Mr Holland

1st, 2nd, 3rd June 2021
10am-4pm

For ages 7-12

Nature connection games and activities, forest school free choice time and woodland warrior training too.

Here is the google form to book a place:
<https://forms.gle/L4sTuvb2Dx973Exn8>

It's a Short form to fill out so we have your contact details and we know a bit more about your children so we can look after them well while they are in our care.

Please send your children with clothing for the weather, enough to drink and eat for the time they are with us, and a change of clothes just in case!

Price for the day £30-40 sliding scale for first child, £15-30 for second.
Please pay by BACS to Chris Holland T/A Wholeland account number 70223723 sort code 089250 giving your child's name as reference.

All my helpers are DBS checked, and so am I!
Drop off at 0950/10, and pick up at 4pm at Bower Woods:

Here a link to a google map:
<https://goo.gl/maps/hjM6rKxqjXg953uw8>. Basically it's down to the elbow of the delightfully named 'Jobbles Lane' which is the next track on the right after Munchkins, heading west on the Sidmouth Road from Colyton. There is a little sign saying Whitwell Campsite. Watchout as it's a bit bumpy now. There is enough space to turn around at the end.

Turning space is limited so it's often best to arrive a little early and park temporarily in one of the spaces further up the lane towards the Sidmouth Road.

ARE YOU MISSING OUT ON EXTRA FUNDING FOR YOUR CHILD?

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive universal free school meals. However, you may be entitled to income related free school meals.

Income related free school meals means that your child could receive free school meals throughout their primary school



education. This is a mutually beneficial service for both the school and family as this enables the school to receive extra funding which can go towards pupils learning. Pupil premium means that your child would also be entitled to receive help with money off school trips, school uniform and any paid clubs, as well as receiving free school meals.

Further information regarding Pupil Premium and Free School Meals can be found on our school website. Please be assured this is handled completely confidentially.

Due to the current situation it has become apparent that more families are entitled to this. If you think that you may be eligible please do apply. When you receive notification please contact the school office to let us know that you have been successful with your application.

Please follow the link below-

[Citizen Portal - Sign in \(devon.gov.uk\)](#) Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you need any help at all when applying.

REMINDERS:

ABSENCES

If your child is going to absent for a period of time, or will need time off school for a reason other than illness- such as a family holiday or personal reason, can we please ask parents to **contact the office first** to make us aware of the absence and the reason. Parents need to fill in a green Absence Request form (which are available in the office foyer) and return it to the office. This is then passed to the Headteacher so they are aware and absence authorised/unauthorised accordingly. It is very important that absences are recorded in the correct way for our records. Thank you for your support with this.

SICKNESS

Please remember that if your child has been sick or had diarrhoea- they must not attend school and need to be 48 hours clear from the last episode.

Food Bank Voucher

A reminder that if you need a food bank voucher please contact the school office.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

June 8th – Year 5 trip to Seaton Wetlands
June 11th - Axe Valley Transition in school
June 21st – New starters story time (1) - 11:30am – 12:00pm
June 23rd – Woodroffe Transition Day
June 25th – Sports Day
June 30th- July 2nd- Year 6 Residential
June 30th – New Starters story time (2)- 11:30am – 12:00pm
July 2nd – Reception Transition 13:20-14:50pm
July 5th/6th- AVA and Sidmouth College Transition Day
July 7th Sidmouth College Transition Day
July 9th Reception Transition – 13:20-14:50pm
July 13th 14th / 15th - Year 6 performance
July 16th -Reception transition 13:20- 14:50pm

kind regards,

Mrs Lacey
Acting Headteacher

