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# SEATON PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Newsletter



*Be kind, responsible, respectful, truthful and the best you can be.*

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## **Welcome to this week's newsletter**

Welcome to our fortnightly newsletter! It's been a wonderful and action-packed half term with so many things to celebrate. The jubilee celebrations today were a great way to bring our whole school together to enjoy singing, eating and celebrating together. Thank you to the PTA for supporting this and for all the staff members who made this possible.

As it is the end of half term, I thought I'd share with you some of the stand out bright spots from across the school:

- The Year 5 Wetland trip linking curriculum learning to our local area
- Year 6 exemplary attitude to learning during SATS week
- The way our Year 2 children have worked so positively in their SATS tests
- Jubilee singsong and celebrations
- The many entries in the golden book and for different areas of the curriculum
- Sporting opportunities in school and at festivals or competitions
- Children's writing across the school
- Lunchtime provision which is working really well
- Science investigations taking place in classrooms with children able to describe and explain them

I'm sure there are many more too!

Also, being sent out with this newsletter is our new attendance leaflet. Your child's attendance at school and their education really matters to us here at Seaton, so please do read the leaflet to find out further details and expectations around attendance.

We are looking forward to being able to invite you in more during the second half of Summer term. On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June there is an open house event where you can come and look at your child's work. Please see the details further down in this newsletter. There are also other events including Sports Day and Year 6 leavers production.

Thank you for your continued support. It is important to me and the school team that we work together in partnership for the best interests of your child/children.

Have a brilliant break! Let's hope the sun shines like it fortunately did today! We will see your child/ren back in school on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June**.

Take care, Miss McCaffery

### DIARY DATES:



Non-Pupil Day  
Jubilee BH  
School closed-  
6th June

Class Canoeing &  
Swimming 7th &  
9<sup>th</sup> June

8<sup>th</sup> June- Parents  
Open Evening

23<sup>rd</sup> - June Sports  
Day

24<sup>th</sup> June –  
Reserve Sports Day

## **Jubilee Street Party**

Today we had a wonderful whole school street party on the playground to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Mr Lewis had put together a medley of songs that were all number ones during previous coronation anniversaries. The children worked really hard to learn these over the last few weeks and were in fine voice today, particularly enjoying the 'ella, ella, ella, eh' part of Rihanna's hit Umbrella!

After singing, we all enjoyed a delicious picnic lunch and an ice lolly together in the sunshine. A huge thank you goes to Emma and her kitchen team for making 200 packed lunches! And another huge thank you goes to the PTA for providing all the ice lollies, decorations, lunch boxes, cups and squash.



## **Year 6 News-**

In Y6, we are incredibly proud of our children for their out of school achievements; the Seaton under 11's football team won every single league match this season without evening drawing one! Billy has also been working hard outside of school to write a school newsletter. Please find his latest addition on meeting the mayor on our website here: <https://seatonprimary.org.uk/year-6/seaton-primary-newspaper-by-billy/>

## **RSE lessons**

Teachers will deliver RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) lessons to their classes over the next half-term. We will be holding an informal drop in for parents in Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June at 3:45 – 4pm in the school hall if you would like to view the schemes of work for each year group and view key objectives. Teachers from each phase will be available to answer any questions that you may have.

Further materials to support parents with an understanding of our RSE curriculum can be found on our website.

## **Open Classroom-**

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 3 - 4:30pm** will be an open classroom event for parents to visit their children's classrooms to look at their books.

## **Class news**

### **Reception**

Reception children have been going Jubilee crazy. On Monday we receive a letter from the Queen. She invited us to a party and gave us a list of things we needed to prepare. We have all written an invitation to another member of the class and folded them neatly to go into an envelope. Harder than it sounds! We have created decorations galore from bunting and flags to paper chains. The final thing we were asked to prepare was a crown fit for a Queen. The children have all loved creating these and wore them for the party in the playground today. We wish all the children and parents a restful, and hopefully sunny, half term break ready for the chaos of the final half term of Reception.

### **Year 1**

Year 1 have enjoyed the preparation for the jubilee celebrations and are absolutely loving their swimming lessons. Mrs Lawrence is very impressed with their confidence and excellent behaviour in the pool. In maths we have been exploring halves and quarters and direction and position. Last week the children wrote a fabulous story about a dinosaur machine in English and this week they have written and performed an animal poem. The children are continuing to make good progress with their phonics and decoding skills and their hand eye co-ordination in PE.

## **Year 2**

What an exciting week we've had in Year 2. The children have worked incredibly hard completing their statutory assessments this week - we are very proud of them! We have also been learning about length this week, using rulers and meter sticks to measure objects around the school. We discovered that the playground is 40 meters wide!

To reward the children for all their hard work this term, we took the children to the park! They had a wonderful afternoon playing together and enjoyed an ice lolly at the end.



## **Year 3**

This week the children have embraced the Queen's platinum jubilee in reading lessons. We have learnt all about historic events during the queen's reign and have considered the ways that the jubilee is being celebrated across the UK.

In maths we have been exploring analogue clocks and have been telling the time to five minute and one minutes.

We have continued to focus on plants in science lessons and have dissected tulips in order to observe and label the different parts of flowers.

The children have used their knowledge from history lessons to independently write some non-fiction writing all about a chosen area of life in ancient Egypt.

## **Year 4**

Beachcombing has been a strong theme in Year 4. Learning that in 1997 the cargo ship, Tokio Express, lost several containers in a heavy storm, we have tracked the unique sea-themed LEGO that is still washing up on British shores and further afield. Green dragons are the rarest pieces to be found but there are plenty of other LEGO treasures to be found. Sadly, we also learned that there are other things in the sea that are more harmful than LEGO too, but we will be exploring this further after half term.

We have also followed the theme through a poem by George Mackay Brown called Beachcomber. We have created poems in similar fashion, discovering various objects on the beach.

We have explored time in maths, converting between hours and minutes, days and weeks. We have learned about the 24 hour clock. Please keep supporting your child's understanding of time and reading of analogue and digital clocks at home. Telling the time is a vital skill for life.

## **Year 5**

In year 5 we have been writing up and illustrating our creature reports; we are very impressed by the style and creativity the children have shown. We have continued to explore the relationship between decimals and fractions in Maths. In Science, we have looked at creating graphs to show the relationship between gestation periods and life expectancy in animals. Last week, 8 boys from Year 5 took part in the cricket competition at Whimble CC and were excellent ambassadors for our year group; they showed some excellent bowling and fielding skills, winning 2 of their matches. This Wednesday, we went to Seaton wetlands and spent the day in Stafford Brook investigating meanders, raft building, river flow and kick sampling to see what lives in the river. It was fantastic to see the children enjoy exploring their local area, and we are excited to head back next half of term.

## Year 6

This week Axe class have enjoyed a canoeing taster day in Axmouth which saw them canoe down the River Axe and complete many different challenges, including river crossings and beach launches. Some of the groups even got to Canoe out to sea! The children thoroughly enjoyed the whole experience and exemplified our school values of being the best they can be. Many of the children have also participated in an extended swim and lifesaving skills session with Mrs Lawrence in the pool. In Otter, we have been developing mythical creatures for our non-chronological reports. We have been exploring a range of sentences types; we've also been learning to punctuate these correctly. The use of passive voice has been demonstrated by the children to affect how information is presented to the reader. For the Jubilee picnic party, the year 6s took pride in creating bunting to decorate the school site. They also joined together in rehearsing songs in preparation for the party.



## Safeguarding

Tik Tok

Recently the safeguarding team have become aware of some children posting Tik Tok videos on public accounts. These videos are therefore accessible by any member of the public. Children under 13 should not have Tik Tok accounts and these accounts are in breach of Tik Tok terms and conditions. As a school we would discourage primary school children from having Tik Tok accounts and would recommend that parents and carers have conversations with their children about how they use social media.

The safeguarding team

### Reminder

Please note that school is closed

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

Pupils return Tuesday  
8<sup>th</sup> June

### Dogs

Can we please remind all parents that dogs are not permitted on the school premises at any time.

### Punctuality

The school gate opens at 8:45am and registration begins at 8:55am. The gate closes at 9am

## PTA pit stop!

Just to let you know, the PTA has had some changes to the team since the AGM! We now have Samantha Donnelly as Chair and Louise Hancock as Vice Chair, along with a fantastic team of mums and dads. Mrs Fontes and Miss Wilkinson are now PTA liaison officers so we are working closely with them too!

We hope your children enjoy the events coming up, including the Jubilee Street Party, Sports Day and the Fun Day. The PTA have sourced resources and provided funding for many aspects of these events. We hope all the events will be a wonderful experience for the children!

**Samantha Donnelly**  
**Chair**

Mother of Bretsen in Year 1



**Louise Hancock**  
**Vice Chair**

Mother of Spencer in year 5 and Jimmy in Reception



**easyfundraising for Seaton Primary PTA.... it seriously is EASY!**

**How would you like to raise free donations for Seaton**

**Primary PTA every time you shop online?** All you need to do is the following:

- 1) Sign up to easyfundraising by searching online at [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) or by downloading the app.
- 2) Search for Seaton Primary School PTA to register to 'support this cause'.
- 3) Make sure you are logged into easyfundraising before searching for the shop you want to purchase from (there are many shops connected to easyfundraising). Then press 'shop now'.
- 4) Shop for your items as usual and pay. No extra money will be taken from your account towards easyfundraising.
- 5) Seaton Primary School PTA will receive between 1-3% of the money paid but this does not come out of your pocket. How easy is that!
- 6) Seaton Primary School PTA will then have more funds to spend on experiences for the children!

If every parent and teacher made this small difference to their shopping habits, it would make a massive difference to the amount of money we can raise for Seaton Primary School PTA!

**Thank you very much if you do purchase something through easyfundraising!**

**Enjoy shopping! 😊**

### **Goodbye**

Today we said goodbye to our lovely School Business Manager Sarah Elliott. Sarah has done so much for the school and worked and supported Seaton Primary tirelessly over the past two years. We will miss her greatly, and know she will thrive in her new role. Wishing Sarah much happiness for the future.

## Golden Book

The following children have all been entered into the Golden Book over the last fortnight for going 'over and above' with an aspect of their learning:

### Year 6:

Zach N - Extremely entertaining writing based on 'The day the crayons quit'.

### Year 5:

Rhylie M – Great independent maths and challenging himself by checking using the inverse operation.

Amelia J – Explaining her learning so brilliantly and for great English work.

### Year 3:

Josh F – An amazing report on the Ancient Egyptians.

Lexie L – A brilliant fact page on the Ancient Egyptians.

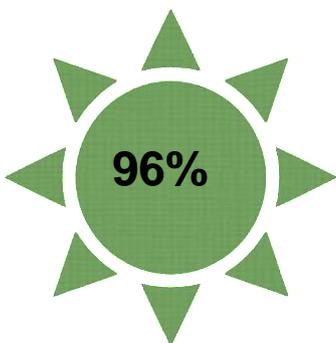
Ava S – A fantastic non-fiction report on Ancient Egyptians.



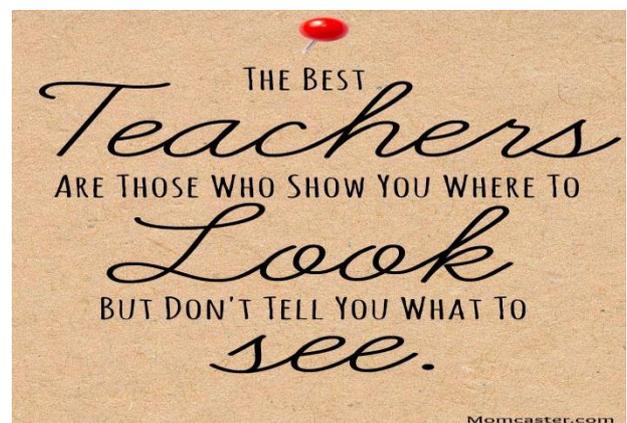
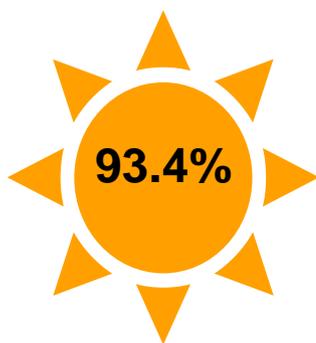
## Walking Challenge-

On June 11th -17<sup>th</sup> school Mum Hayley Clemson will be setting out on a challenging 100km trek of Pembrokeshire's rugged, unforgiving coastline in a bid to raise funds for charity CoppaFeel! Hayley is trekking alongside celebrity Giovana Fletcher to support the life-saving mission to raise awareness of the importance of regular checks to stamp out the late diagnosis of breast cancer. Hayley will be walking for around 10 hours a day tackling inclines of 900 metres, for five days in a row, sleeping 'under the stars' along the way. If anyone would like to support Hayley's efforts, she would be so grateful for donations and shares of her Just Giving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/hayley-clemson1>. You can also follow Hayley's progress via her instagram page: Hayleys\_coppafeel\_trek.

**ATTENDANCE  
WEEKLY TARGET**



**THIS WEEK'S  
ATTENDANCE**



**At Seaton Primary school we champion every child's right to an education. Your child's attendance at school is important in contributing to their success in their education. We are currently working on our attendance strategy so that we can promote and positively recognize attendance and punctuality even more.**

**Seaton Eats**



SEATON EATS  
BOUTIQUE

an evening street food market by the sea

first Friday of the month

2022

6 MAY  
3 JUNE  
1 JULY  
5 AUGUST  
2 SEPTEMBER

4PM - SUNSET

more info

Jubilee Gardens EX12 2PH

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SIDMOUTH EATS  
BOUTIQUE

an evening street food market on the Jurassic coast

second Friday of the month

2022

13 MAY  
10 JUNE  
8 JULY  
12 AUGUST  
9 SEPTEMBER

4PM - SUNSET

more info

Kennaway House EX10 8NG

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