



Seaton Sluice First School

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Children with inhalers

It is vital that if your child requires use of their inhaler in school that the following procedure is followed:-

Inform the class teacher about frequency of use

Agree where the inhaler will be kept in the class room (your child should be able to access it independently)

Hand the inhaler to the class teacher your self

Ensure the inhaler is clearly labelled with your child's name and class

School Library closure

During before and after school hours the school library in the entrance is CLOSED. This is signalled by the screens being placed across the entrance. Please do not allow your children to climb over the bookcases to enter the library during these times,

Home/School diaries

Children in years 1 - 4 were all given a home/school diary in September. This is for the recording of reading, homework and any other important communication between home and school. Many teachers and parents are using this effectively which is improving progress and effective communication when it is needed.

There are a number of children who do not have their diary in school on a daily basis and this is causing problems with the giving of homework and keeping track of their reading which is very important. The diary should be in your child's book bag EVERY DAY alongside their reading book. Please help us and support your child with this.

Scholastic Book Fair

The scholastic book fair will be in school Monday 6th March - Friday 10th March.

A letter from Mrs Love

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been a privilege and pleasure to serve as Head Teacher of Seaton Sluice First School since April 1st 2007. I have however decided that the time has come to relinquish my post. I will retire from my position as Head Teacher from August 31st 2017.

It was my intention to retire in the summer of 2018 but I feel that retiring a year earlier than planned is the right decision for me and for my family. My mum who will be 90 this year is now quite needy and I know that if I were to stay on another year I would struggle to meet her needs as well as those of the school in the way that I would want to.

Being appointed to the Headship of SSFS was the highlight of my career. I have always felt extremely privileged to have been placed in the role of leader and manager of such a special school. My vision has always been to be effective, caring, inclusive and supportive. I became a Head Teacher because I felt I could make a difference. I hope that has been the case. The school is and will remain a place that is very dear to my heart. It has been a joy to be part of the school community in Seaton Sluice and I know I will miss it but have ten years' worth of very happy memories to look back on.

I have also been fortunate to have worked with the strongest of staff teams over the years and am truly grateful for the support, commitment and loyalty I have received from very special and very hard working people. Likewise the parents and families of Seaton Sluice have been tremendously supportive to me and the school and have made the job a pleasure to do.

I would in particular like to thank the Governing Body for being an absolute dream to work with and for supporting me whole heartedly throughout my time here through good times and more challenging times. I wish everyone associated with the school all the best for a happy and successful future.

There are a great many people who are associated with the school who will help steer the school community through the next phase of its journey and I have no doubt that the school will continue to thrive.

The process to appoint a new Head Teacher is already underway and parents will be informed of the outcome in due course.

Meanwhile it's business as usual with a busy term and a half until the summer holidays!

Mrs Love

Head Teacher

FUTURE DIARY DATES

Tuesday 7th February: PTFA coffee meeting at 9.00am. All welcome

Thursday 9th February: PTFA hot dog night

Monday 13th February: Year four afternoon cycle ride with Cycling Generation

Tuesday 14th February: PTFA Valentines coffee morning with cake stall

Tuesday 14th February: Year four afternoon cycle ride with Cycling Generation

Friday 17th February: School closes for half term

HALF TERM

Monday 27th February: School opens at 8.45am for nursery and 8.55am for main school

Tuesday 28th February: Family Football starts 3.15pm (info to follow)

Thursday 2nd March: World Book Day

Thursday 9th March: Year two afternoon skipping festival

Monday 13th March: Mother's day gifts to be brought to school for PTFA mother's day event

Monday 20th March: Year four afternoon cycle ride with Cycling Generation

Tuesday 21st March: Year four afternoon cycle ride with Cycling Generation

Thursday 23rd March: PTFA buying of Mother's Day gifts

Tuesday 28th March: Parent/Carer consultations 3.30 - 6.30pm for nursery, reception y1, y2, y3 & y4.

Wednesday 29th March: Parent/Carer consultations nursery 1.00 - 3.00pm and rest of school 3.30 - 6.30pm

Thursday 30th March: Year four morning Paralympic festival

Monday 3rd April: PTFA Easter disco with G-Force 3.15 - 5.00pm

Tuesday 4th April: PTFA Easter egg competition entries to be brought to school (parent/carers viewing 9.00 and 3.00)

Wednesday 5th April: Results of Easter egg competition in assembly

Friday 7th April: School closes for the Easter holidays at 3.15pm

Monday 24th April: School closed for staff training

Tuesday 25th April: School re-opens at 8.45am for nursery and 8.55am for main school

Future Diary Dates

Sunday 6th December - Christingle Service at St Pauls Church Seaton Sluice 10.30am

Tuesday 8th December - Early Years Christmas Performance 9.30am

Wednesday 9th December - Early Years Christmas Performance 9.30am

Monday 14th December - Year one and year two Christmas Performance 2.00pm

Tuesday 15th December - Year one and year two Christmas Performance 9.30am

Tuesday 15th December - Year three and year four Christmas Performance 2.00pm

Wednesday 16th December - Year three and year four Christmas Performance 9.30am

Thursday 17th December - Pantomime for the whole school and party food in morning/ Toy afternoon in pm

Friday 18th December - The children will watch a DVD in the morning and be class room based for the remainder of the day until school closes at **2.00pm**. School uniform should be worn as usual.

Friday 18th December - School closes for the Christmas Holidays at 2.00pm

Monday 4th January 2016 is a training day - School is closed

School re-opens on Tuesday 5th January 2016 at 8.55am and 8.45am for Nursery.

Seaton Sluice First School MUSTS!

Pierced earrings **MUST** be removed on PE days

Scooters and bicycles **MUST** not be ridden on the yard before and immediately after school

Children **MUST** not play in the bushes at the bottom of the field

Children **MUST** be supervised by parents/carers before and after school on school premises

Parents/Carers **MUST** make themselves visible at picking up time so that children can be handed over safely

Dogs **MUST NOT** be brought onto the school site

Parents/Carers **MUST** check book bags daily for letters/homework/messages etc...

Book bags and water bottles **MUST** be brought to school every day