



SEATON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER



31st March 2017

Dear Parents

LUNCH MENU FOR SUMMER TERM

This week every child was given a bright green copy of the new summer menu. Please keep it in a safe place and use it to plan the days that your child wants to have a school dinner. Please note if your child wants the 2nd choice or a Filled Jacket Potato, these should be ordered the day before.

RED NOSE DAY

This year we raised £212.97. Thank you for your donations.

EASTER EGG HUNT PTA THANKS

The children all enjoyed Easter egg hunts this week thanks to the PTA providing the chocolate eggs. Many thanks to the PTA for their kind donation.

SCIENCE WEEK 2017

This year's science week was a great success. Children had visits from Parents, who discussed their work in various STEM fields. A big thank you goes to Mr Pheby, Miss Dover, Mr and Mrs Crabbe, Mrs Smith and Miss Thomas for giving up their time. The children really enjoyed it.

All children were involved in an engineering project with their class, building various structures, thank you to the PTA for supplying prizes for the winners.

On Friday we had the Seaton Primary Science Fair. I was amazed at the exhibits the children had created and the afternoon was a great success. Thank you to all the parents who helped their children and a big well done to all the children who got involved.
Mr Hunt

PHONES IN SCHOOL

It is not necessary for primary school aged children to bring phones to school. Please make sure your child leaves his or her phone at home. If children are found to have brought their phone to school it will be kept in the school office and can be collected at the end of the day however they are not insured when on the premises.

ADULT CONDUCT OUTSIDE SCHOOL

We have received a complaint from a parent regarding foul language being used outside the school between parents. Please consider the children around you and refrain from swearing and using abusive language in a school environment.

COLYFORD GOOSE FAYRE

Thank you to all those parents that helped with the Annual Colyford Goose Fayre in September 2016. Following their Annual General Meeting in March the Goose Fayre donated a further £350 to school funds with a commitment to donate again this year. In total the Goose Fayre have donated £450 this year. Hopefully we can get some more helpers to the Fayre this year on 30th September to help increase valuable funds for the school.

SWIMMING

We are looking forward to the children being able to swim again next term and we are very lucky to have a swimming pool on our premises. An email was sent yesterday with a timetable and full details of the things that children will need to bring with them. Swimming hats are available from the school office (£2 cash only). Please read the letter carefully and make a note of when your child is due to swim.

MEDICAL FORMS - URGENT

We are in the process of updating pupil records regarding medical conditions and asthma. If you receive a form asking for medical information please complete it and return it to the office as soon as possible so that our records can be updated. Also, if you do not receive a form but your child has a medical condition or asthma inhaler in school please ensure that you request a form from the office. It is absolutely vital that we have up to date information about your child, especially if there is an emergency.

FAKE NEWS, FAKE VIDEOS AND RELIABILITY

The BBC website ran a story about fake videos on Youtube, <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/blogs-trending-39381889>. There were videos and channels that had seemingly innocent videos of popular cartoons for young children that soon took a very dark turn. The youtube kids app or youtube restricted mode is helpful to keep out most of these videos but no filter is 100% reliable. Please discuss your child's use of the internet with them, their favourite sites or activities. Good practice is to encourage your children to ask permission before using a device or accessing the internet, so that if they encounter material that upsets them, they won't feel as though they acted on their own.

The internet is full of quality information but as we know, it is also full of fake and misleading information too. Help your child to not take each website on face value, to look at the web address if it has come from a reputable source or to check the information on a different website to see if it is the same. Having these conversations with our children can help them build up their digital literacy and resilience. For more on this see <http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/38906931>.

SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS

Don't forget we're collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids tokens. Please bring them to school and pop them in the box near the office.

ABSENCE AND SICKNESS

Please remember if your child is unwell you should contact the school office by 9.30am at the very latest on 20922, via Parentmail or by email. You should contact us every day that your child is ill unless informed by the office not to do so (eg Chicken pox or another longer illness).

PLEASE SAVE YOUR STAMPS

Please save any postage stamps and bring them to school for the Children's Hospice South West. All used British and foreign stamps are welcome and can help raise funds for the charity. The box is on the shelf just outside the office.

DIARRHOEA AND VOMITING

In line with NHS and Department of Education guidelines, children should not come in to school for at least 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting.

NUTS – ALL YEAR GROUPS May we respectfully ask parents NOT to provide their child with nuts for their mid-morning snack or lunch as some children have severe nut allergies.

ZUMBA

Summer Term JM DanceFit Zumba Classes ****BOOK YOUR CHILD A PLACE NOW!**** KIDS HAVE FUN & IMPROVE FITNESS & CONFIDENCE LEVELS* New children are welcome to join the termly classes after the Easter break.

Every Monday RECOMMENCING April 24th 2017 3.30pm - 4.15pm Seaton Little Starz* (4 - 7 year olds) - MAIN HALL 4.15pm - 5.15pm Seaton Junior Starz* (7-12 year olds) - MAIN HALL Summer Term Class Dates: April 24th May 8th, 15th, 22nd June 12th, 19th, 26th July 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th. The cost of each class is £4 per child, with termly fees paid upon first lesson. If you would like to book your child a place, please contact Johanna directly on 07739518587 or at johanna@jmdancefit.co.uk For further details on all JM DanceFit Adult and Children's Zumba classes held in Seaton, Sidford, Sidmouth Beer, Newton Poppleford, and Exeter please visit www.jmdancefit.co.uk

LYME REGIS FOSSIL FESTIVAL

The annual Lyme Regis Fossil Festival takes place from Friday 28th to Sunday 30th April with a variety of activities on offer. Please visit www.fossilfestival.com for full details.

LITTLE LIONS

As of 27th April a new support group will be opening at Crossroad, Homer Lane Seaton at 9.15am. Please come along, this is a family friendly 0-5 group for children with additional needs, whether that be diagnosed or not. If you need support this is the place to come, it will be a hub for information and support plus interaction with other parents, children and siblings in the same situation as you.

Please contact Hayley for further details 07703359811.

THELMA HULBERT GALLERY HONITON WELCOMES PUPILS AND FAMILIES THIS EASTER

Easter Family Workshop

Wednesday 12 April 2017 Drop in anytime between 11 and 4.

Join in some photo making fun with Sam White in a man-sized camera obscura in the THG garden (weather permitting) together with photographic experiments in the gallery.

All ages and abilities welcome. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Free, suggested donation £2 / child.

Please note a photographer will be present, please notify a staff member if you do not wish the child in your care to be photographed. Thelma Hulbert Gallery (THG), Dowell Street, Honiton EX14 1LX www.thelmahulbert.com

CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT - FRIDAY 21ST APRIL

Beviss & Beckinsale solicitors, in association with Seaton and District Hopsital League of Friends are holding "The Sound of Quizzing" – a general knowledge quiz with a dash of music - on Friday 21st April at 7.30pm. They are raising funds for Seaton Friends Hospiscare@Home. For further information please see the poster at school or call 01297 625699 or visit www.seatongateway.co.uk

SEATON ARTISAN MARKET

This Saturday there is an Artisan Market from 10am to 2pm at Windsor Gardens. Beautiful arts and crafts available from local Artisans from Devon, Dorset and Somerset. Free Entry

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- Friday 31st March
 - Break up for Easter holiday (normal time)
 - Reception Parent Involvement 9 to 11.30am
- Tuesday 18th April
 - SCHOOL CLOSED FOR Staff training day
- Wednesday 19th April
 - Children return to school after Easter holiday
- Monday 1st May
 - SCHOOL CLOSED for Bank Holiday Monday
- Friday 19th May
 - School photographer visiting for class group photos.
- Friday 26th May
 - SCHOOL CLOSED (Occasional day)
- Monday 29th May
 - SCHOOL CLOSED for Bank Holiday Monday followed by half-term week
- Monday 5th June
 - SCHOOL CLOSED for staff training day
- Tuesday 6th June
 - Children return to school
- Friday 23rd June
 - Sports Day for whole school
- Friday 30th June
 - Reception Sports Day (morning)
- Friday 7th July
 - Provisional sports day (if bad weather the week before)
- Wednesday 26th July
 - Break up for summer holidays (1pm finish after lunch)
- Tuesday 5th September
 - Children return to school

K G McFarlane
HEAD OF TEACHING & LEARNING