

Seaford Primary School



9th October 2023

General Information Newsletter 2023-2024

Term Dates.

The last day of Term 1 is Friday 20th October 2023. The school is closed for an INSET day on Monday 30th October and the children return for the start of Term 2 on Tuesday 31st October 2023.

Contact Details.

Please can you ensure that the school office is always notified immediately if you update any of your contact details e.g. mobile phone numbers. This is really important to ensure emergency contact arrangements are effective. Thank you.

New Reception September 2024.

If you have a child or have family and friends with a child who is due to start school in September 2024 we are holding three events for prospective parents. These will take place on the mornings of Wednesday 8th November and Thursday 23rd November. There will also be an open evening on Tuesday 21st November at 6.00 pm. Please phone the school office to book one of these tours.

School Journey.

Please could we kindly ask all parents and carers to drive and park carefully and considerately in the roads surrounding the school and to walk whenever possible down Wilkinson Way.

Please could we also remind all drivers to ensure they are not parking or dropping off on the zig-zag lines outside the school gates or reversing into the adjacent closes to ensure the safety of our whole school community. Thank you very much for your co-operation and support.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope everyone is well and enjoying this late taste of summer! As we move towards the end of Term 1 it has been fantastic to see the children settling into their new classes. The children have been working really hard and it has been lovely to see their individual achievements across the curriculum. It has also been great to see the children displaying our values of respect, friendship, perseverance, empathy, ambition and enjoyment. We look forward to seeing them continuing to aim for excellence in every thing they do throughout the school year and to seeing the progress they make. There will be an opportunity in November to meet your child's class teacher(s) at our first parent consultations of the new school year. A separate letter will be sent out at the start of Term 2.

Staffing News.

It is with great sadness for the school, but excitement for them, that we will be saying goodbye to two of our highly valued staff team at the end of the autumn term. Mrs Hoad will be retiring after 24 years teaching at Seaford Primary School and Mrs Tucker leaves after 13 years as our school Business Manager. Mrs Hoad joined the school in 1999 and during this time has been an exceptionally dedicated and committed teacher who has worked incredibly hard to nurture and support hundreds of Seaford Primary children over the years. We are extremely grateful for her incredible contribution to Seaford Primary School and know she will be hugely missed by the children, parents, colleagues and the wider community. We wish her all the very best for the next exciting chapter in her life and thank her for everything she has done for us. Miss Spann will be taking full-time responsibility for Starfish class from January. We are also extremely sorry to be saying goodbye to Mrs Tucker at Christmas. Mrs Tucker has been a fantastic Business Manager since 2010 and in this time has worked incredibly hard to ensure the school budget and site is managed effectively and that the children have the equipment and resources they need. She has been instrumental in securing improvements to the school, including the new mobile classroom and windows/doors and we are very grateful for her hard work and dedication. She will be greatly missed by everyone and we wish her all the very best for the future.



Harvest Festival.

This year our Harvest Festival will take place on Monday 16th October. The children will have a special Harvest Assembly in the moming and we invite them to bring in a donation for our Harvest Collection. This year we will once again be donating our harvest produce to the local foodbank to support our community. We would be very grateful if the children could bring in non-perishable food items such as tins/packets on the morning of Monday 16th October. These will be collected at the gates on entry to school. Thank you in advance for your generosity in supporting our Harvest.

PTA

Last week our PTA held their AGM meeting to reflect on the past year and share ideas for fundraising and social events for the coming school year. We are extremely lucky to have a fantastic PTA who provide incredible support to the school and hugely appreciated funds which benefit all the children in the school. The PTA are always looking out for people who can help support them, either regularly or at individual events, so please do get involved if you can. They can be contacted at:-madsps@live.com

Please remember I am always available if you wish to discuss any aspect of the education and care we provide for your children. Thank you for your continued support which is greatly appreciated. Chris Davey.