

Seal CE Primary School Newsletter

Edition 44 – 20th October 2023

Our weekly Newsletter is our main communication so please do keep an eye out for it each Friday for all up to date reminders and new information about everything going on at Seal!

Notices from Mrs Jones

I am pleased to publish our Termly Character Values Newsletter – Aspiration <u>here</u>

We are currently working on an exciting project to develop our playground provision for the children and are looking for the following donations to resource our loose parts play and quiet area:

- decking boards
- plastic crates
- metal baskets
- scaffolding planks
- guttering
- complete board games
- colouring books
- note books
- puzzle books
- coloured pens/pencils

If you have any of the above then please could you bring them in on Monday 30th October or Friday 3rd November. Please can any items be dropped off by the site manager's shed at the end of the car park. Colouring books etc. can be delivered to the office - please ensure they are new/almost new.

This will really support our development of play and lunchtime provision in order to make this more engaging for the children. Thank you for your ongoing support!





It's Pantomime time again, oh yes it is! Full details of tickets are included in the letter here

PLEASE NOTE - Tickets must be paid for by Sunday 12th November as no further tickets can be ordered after this time. We will not be able to make any exceptions to this deadline and tickets will not be available for purchase directly from the theatre if you miss the deadline due to ensuring we have the required number of staff in attendance.

As a UNICEF Gold Rights Respecting School, we shall be campaigning and raising money for the children of Israel and Gaza! We will be having a day of going back to basics on Thursday 9th November. Please read <u>here</u> for further information.

13th-17th November is antibullying week!

Antibullying week will start with odd socks day on Monday 13th November to celebrate diversity and to stand up against discrimination and bullying.

Here is a link to further information: https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/sites/default/files/uploads/attachments/Anti-Bullying%20Week%202023%20-%20Parent%20Pack%20FINAL.pdf



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Thursday 9th November – Back to Basics Day – campaigning for the children of Israel and Gaza. Children to bring in their sponsorship forms.

Friday 10th November – PTFA Fireworks Display

Monday 13th November – Odd socks day for Antibullying week

Friday 17th November - Children in Need Day - details of activities to follow

Thursday 23rd November - PTFA Wreath Making Event

Friday 1st December - PTFA Frost Fayre - more details to follow

Friday 8th December – Caterpillars' Nativity in the Hall

Monday 11th December – Reception Classes Nativity in the Church

Tuesday 12th December – Key Stage 1 Nativity in the Hall

Wednesday 13th December – Pantomime at the Stag Theatre for Reception, Year 1 and 2

Thursday 14th December - Pantomime at the Stag Theatre for Year 3, 4, 5 & 6

Friday 15th December - End of Term 2 - KS1 finish 1.30pm / KS2 finish 1.45pm - no After School Club on this day

Wednesday 17th – Friday 19th April 2024 - Carroty Wood Trip for Year 5

Thursday 23rd May 2024 - EYFS & KS1 Sports Day

Friday 24th May 2024 - KS2 Sports Day

Term Dates for 2024/2025 are now available here

Kent Educational Psychology Service are offering a free 30 minute phone / video consultation – please see here for more details

	ATTENDANCE
Nursery – Reception – no update this week	Bumblebees: 95%
Congratulations to Bumblebees for the highest attendance this week.	Ladybirds: 90%
Key Stage 1	
Year 1 - no update this week Year 2 - no update this week	Hedgehogs: 86%
	Squirrels: 97%
Congratulations to Squirrels for the highest attendance this week.	Butterflies: 93%
	Dragonflies: 96%
Key Stage 2 Year 3 — Please see details of upcoming trips London Eye Visit here North Downs Walk here	Foxes: 90%
	Otters: 93%
Year 4 - no update this week	Badgers: 93%
Voor F	Beavers: 94%
Year 5 Carroty Wood 2024 trip letter here Please ensure you are up to date with payments for this trip.	Kingfishers: 96%
Voca C	Sparrowhawks: 949
Year 6 Swimming - Woodpeckers Class have now finished their swimming lessons and Kestrels Class will start lessons on Wednesday 1 st November. Please read the letter	Kestrels: 98%
here for details. Isle of Wight/Theatre trip 2024 letter here Please ensure you are up to date with payments for this trip.	
Secondary School Admissions process - The online application window for children enrolling into Year 7 in September 2024 opened on Friday 1st September 2023 and will close at midnight on Tuesday 31st October 2023. See here for an informative leaflet outlining the process to follow. If parents have any queries, the admissions team can be contacted on kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk .	Woodpeckers: 91%
Secondary School Open Day information <u>here</u>	
Isle of Wight/Theatre trip 2024 letter <u>here</u> Please ensure you are up to date with payments for this trip.	

Congratulations to Kestrels for the highest attendance this week.	

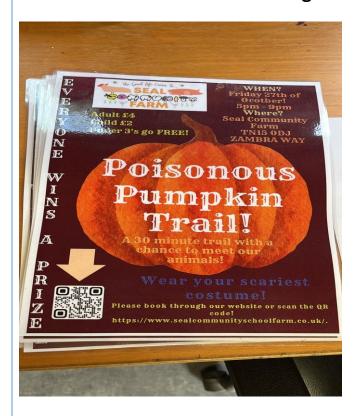


SCHOOL COMMUNITY FARM NEWS



The Farm team will be selling eggs on the playground each Monday afternoon between 3pm – 4pm Cash & Card payments will be accepted.

Orders will no longer be available via MCAS.



LAST CHANCE TO PURCHASE TICKETS!

The farm is holding its first half term event! After missing out on opening to the public during the summer, we are so excited to welcome you for this special farm event!

Please share this event far and wide!

Book your family place here:

www.sealcommunityschoolfarm.co.uk











Therapy Rabbits coming to Seal School!

Last year, a group of YR5 students successfully pitched an idea to the Head Teachers to welcome a pair of therapy rabbits to Seal Primary. They've written speeches, created welfare and care plans and have been spending their lunch breaks digging up the enclosure area. They're now fundraising to buy the rabbits, hutches, enrichment items and create a big enclosure. Over the half term some of the students will be doing a 10km fundraising walk.

We hope you can support this great cause! You can sponsor them here: https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/walk-for-therapy-rabbits

They will also be running a stall at the fireworks night.



Seal PTFA proudly presents.....

THE BIGGEST, MOST AMAZING, SPECTACULAR FOR PARENTS, CHILDREN & FRIENDS!

'Happy's Big Top Circus' is coming to our school in September 2024!

This is such an amazing opportunity for us & will be a big fundraiser for our wonderful school BUT it cannot happen without volunteers!

If you are interested in finding out more & getting involved in what will be an amazing one-off event please contact:

Donna Fuller or Cassie Cannon – sealpta@inspiream.org.uk

Watch this space for more details coming soon....