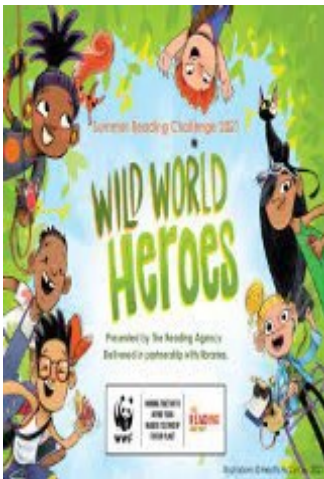




General Information Newsletter 2021-22

Term Dates.

The first day of the new school term for children in Year One to Year Six is Monday 6th September. The final day of Term 1 for the children is Friday 22nd October.



Summer Reading Challenge.

I hope many of the children have enjoyed taking part in the East Sussex Library Service Summer Reading Challenge during the holidays. There is still time to take part and it would be great for as many children as possible to enjoy the 'Wild World Heroes' challenge.

Building Work.

We are now nearly at the end of our building programme which has seen significant improvements to the school with new windows, doors and guttering being installed. With the scaffolding being removed it looks fantastic and we are thrilled with the impact it has made to our school building and environment.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all enjoyed a lovely summer. We are really looking forward to welcoming the children back for the start of a new exciting year ahead. The children in Year One to Six will be returning on Monday 6th September and our new Reception children will be joining us over the next few weeks. We would particularly like to welcome all those new families who are joining us this year and we hope you enjoy your time as part of our community at Seaford Primary School.

We hope that this year we will be able to provide as much stability and consistency as possible for the children following the challenges of the last eighteen months. In line with the latest Government guidance we have reviewed our Covid-19 Risk Assessment and related measures and procedures. These will be constantly reviewed and in the event of an increase in cases we have contingency plans in place to tighten measures and procedures appropriately.

A change to the previous measures in place is the removal of the requirement for children to stay within their 'bubble groups'. However the children will continue to practice good hand and respiratory hygiene in school and there will be a continued emphasis on enhanced cleaning and ventilation. Children should continue to not come into school if they develop Covid-19 symptoms or have had a positive test result. Anyone who develops Covid-19 symptoms will be sent home and asked to follow the appropriate Public Health advice. If a positive case is identified in school any contacts will be traced by NHS Test and Trace and advised to take a PCR test. We would encourage all individuals to take a PCR test if advised to do so. Although face coverings are no longer required in communal areas within the school people may make a personal decision to wear them. We would encourage parents and carers attending meetings within the school to wear a face covering. We will update you further as we move through the next few weeks and months. Thank you so much for your ongoing support and understanding in helping us to minimise the transmission of Covid-19. It is greatly appreciated.

As we communicated at the end of the summer term we will no longer be staggering the start and end of the school day over such a long period. The times from Monday 6th September will be:-

Key Stage 2—8.35 am—3.05 pm.

Reception—8.45 am—3.10 pm.

Key Stage 1—8.45 am—3.15 pm.

We please ask that the children are in school and ready to start at the above times. The gates will open at 8.30 am in the morning. Please do not arrive before this time. Key Stage 2 children will be able to enter the building on arrival with any Key Stage 1 children arriving before 8.40 am asked to wait by the pond fence. On entering the school the children will continue to leave their parents/carers at the entrance to the playground as they did last year. The one-way system for drop off in the morning will continue to operate.

In the afternoon the school gates will open at 3.00 pm. Please can parents walk around to the playground via the gates to the left of the building as they did last year. Once on the playground could we please ask parents to wait behind the bollards and the children will be sent safely across to you once the member of staff has individually seen you. The one-way system at the end of the day will continue to operate.

We are now in a position to open our new cycle and scooter storage for children who wish to cycle or scoot to school. Please can we kindly request that the children walk with their cycles or scooters within the school grounds.

We look forward to seeing you all on Monday. Kind regards, Chris Davey.