



General Information Newsletter 2021-22

Term Dates.

The last day of Term 1 is Friday 21st October 2022. The children return for the start of Term 2 on **Tuesday 1st November 2022.**

Attendance.

It is extremely important that all children attend school regularly and are only absent from school if there is a justifiable reason such as illness. There is a clear link between regular attendance and educational achievement and it is vital that children do not miss important learning. We will contact you if your child's attendance is below 95% in order to support improved attendance. In the event that your child is ill or absent from school please continue to make sure you inform the school office by 8.45 am on each day of absence, leaving your child's name, class and reason for absence. Please also ensure that all children are in school and ready to start learning by 8.35 am for Key Stage 2 and 8.45 am for Key Stage 1. Your support is greatly appreciated.

School Journey.

Thank you to all those parents and carers who have continued to support us in helping to ensure the school journey is safe for all our children and families. It is greatly appreciated. Please could we remind all drivers to ensure they are not parking or dropping off on the zig-zag lines outside the school gates and are not reversing into the adjacent closes. Thank you.

Extra Curricular Clubs.

A letter outlining the extra-curricular clubs for this term will be sent out shortly.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all keeping safe and well and enjoyed a lovely summer and an opportunity to spend time with family and friends. It is fantastic to see the children back in school, ready for an exciting year of learning ahead. We would particularly like to welcome those children and families joining us for the first time this term and hope you will enjoy your time as part of our Seaford Primary School community.

We would like to express a very warm welcome to some new members of our staff team this term. Elaine Wattam joins us as our new Inclusion Manager and we are delighted to welcome her to our school. She is looking forward to getting to know, and working with, our children and families over the next few weeks and months. We would also like to welcome Claire Peters, Kate Hadley and Aoife Scott-Whitehouse to our teaching assistant team and look forward to working with them to support our children's care and learning this year.

Over the summer we have had some significant work taking place in our school grounds. You may have noticed that our playground has been completely re-surfaced during the holiday, which is fantastic. Once the surface has fully cured we will be having new playground markings and games installed during the October half term break. This will provide the children with a fabulous updated play area and we look forward to them benefitting from this soon.

As you know our two mobile classrooms were removed from the site during the summer as they are no longer required for the two extra classes that went through the school. We are currently in the process of planning the future of this area and will keep you updated with developments. In the meantime our EBNO's provision will be in the main building and pick up and drop off arrangements will be through the side gate entrance to the left of the school building.

Parent Information Meetings.

We will shortly be holding parent information meetings to provide an opportunity for you to meet your child's new teachers and to find out some information about their new class and the year ahead. These will take place after school at 3.30 pm on the following dates:-

- Year 6—Monday 12th September
- Year 2—Wednesday 14th September
- Year 3—Thursday 15th September
- Year 4—Monday 19th September
- Year 5—Tuesday 20th September
- Year 1—Wednesday 21st September

There will be a supervised DVD provided in an adjacent classroom for the children to watch whilst parents are in these meetings. Look out for a reminder on Class Dojo. We hope as many of you as possible will be able to attend.

Digital Safeguarding Event.

As part of our education around Online Safety we are planning a digital safeguarding event on Thursday 22nd September. This will include a session for parents providing practical tips and support for helping to keep our children safe in the digital world. Please put the date in your diary and more details will follow shortly.



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