

**SEATON PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
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## **NEWSLETTER**

Dear Parents

It is the end of yet another school term tomorrow and the start of the Easter holiday. I know my batteries need charging up! I wish everybody a Happy Easter.

### **EASTER HOLIDAY**

The school finishes tomorrow at the normal time 3.15pm/3.20pm. The summer term commences on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April at 8.55am. Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April will be a staff training day.

### **RETURN OF MISS TEAGUE**

After Easter, Miss Teague will be returning to school following her maternity leave. She has opted to return on a part-time basis working two days per week. She will be taking over from Mrs Hill covering a morning in Mrs Voysey's class and a morning in Miss Nelson's class and covering various teachers in the afternoons.

### **SCHOOL REPORTS**

The mini reports for the spring term will be sent home tomorrow. These will report on your children's achievement in the Key Objectives for Maths and English. The grades given for effort will be – A for excellent, B for good and C for inconsistent/unsatisfactory. Please note your child's attendance figure. If it is below 95% (the school's target), then it needs to be improved. If it is below 90% the Educational Welfare Officer will be asking questions.

### **UNIFORM**

The governors have listened to parents' views and have made the following revisions to the uniform policy:

- red polo shirts will still be accepted as uniform for boys and girls
- grey tights will be added to the uniform list for girls.

It has been noticed that some of the older girls are wearing cut-off/culotte style trousers and these are considered not to be school uniform. School shorts or long trousers only please.

### **CYCLE TRAINING**

CPSO Chris Bolsover and I are looking at running some cycle training in the summer term. This training is open to children from Year 5 up because it includes cycling on roads. If you would like your child to attend this training, please fill in the slip at the end of the newsletter and return it to school by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April. This will give us an indication of numbers. CPSO Bolsover and I have agreed some Tuesdays in May for an initial course – if there are too many names, we will have to arrange a second course in June/July.

### **TOP SOIL**

During the Easter Holidays we will have four more raised beds in our garden area. However, we need to top them up with soil – if you know of anyone who can provide this over the holiday, please let me know. We would like the gardens to be ready for the children to use next term.

### **KEY STAGE ONE NEW RESOURCES**

All the children and staff in Key Stage 1 would like to thank the PTA very much for funding the revamp of our literacy, numeracy and rainy day games. We have now unpacked everything and are looking forward to using all the lovely new resources!

Miss Hurd, Miss Richmond and Miss Sealy

### **MR DRIVER'S GOLF CLUB**

This is to remind children who attend the Monday Golf Club with Mr Driver that the club will start again next term on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 3.40pm, even though the children will not attend school that day. Please meet on the playground.

### **TAG RUGBY CLUB**

The Tag Rugby club will take place this coming Saturday, 4th April but will not be meeting on Easter Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> April 2009 or Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April. It will restart on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April.

### **SCHOOL MEALS**

We are sending out today a copy of the lunch menu for next term. Children can have a jacket potato instead of the meal of the day if they wish – just let the Kitchen staff know before 9.30am on the day. Please send dinner money into school on the first day of each week - cash in a sealed, named envelope, with the days dinners are required clearly marked, or cheques payable to 'Devon County Council'. Money can be sent in on the day the child requires a dinner if it is just for the occasional day. Again, please clearly mark the child's name and the day dinner is required on the envelope. Your child should give these envelopes to his/her class teacher. Brothers/sisters' money can be handed in together.

### **LOST PROPERTY**

Our Lost Property box is overflowing again and we will be disposing of all unclaimed, unnamed, items at the beginning of next term. Please ask your child to check that there are no items belonging to him/her in the box. There are many sweatshirts, cardigans and several

jackets, including an almost new Regatta jacket which has an asthma inhaler in the pocket.

### **MINOR INJURIES SERVICE**

We have been asked to advise you that there are changes to the minor injuries service provided by the local doctors' surgeries. A minor injury is considered to be a cut, bruise, sting, twisted joint or other minor condition and treatment has in the past been provided in the majority of local GP practices. However, from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009, Devon Primary Care Trust has determined that this service will mainly be available from the Minor Injuries Units and Walk-In Centres at Sidmouth Hospital (open 10.00am to 6.00pm) or Honiton Hospital (open 24 hours per day). Obviously, in the event of a life threatening medical emergency call 999 or attend your nearest Accident and Emergency unit.

### **BIG FISH CAFÉ**

Year 6 pupils are invited to the Big fish Café at Seaton Methodist Church on Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> April, at 7.30pm – 9.30pm where there will be live bands, games, music and fair-trade snacks. Cost £1.00. For more information, please phone Pete Brazier on 624112.

### **TEA AND TOTS 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

A date for your diaries. The Tea and Tots group at Seaton Methodist Church is 25 years old this year. As part of the celebrations there will be a barbecue lunch at the church from 12 noon until 2.00pm on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June. This event is open to all families who have attended the toddler groups at the church over the last 25 years. Tickets and more information will be available nearer the time.

### **@ STARRE**

At the end of this newsletter is a voucher for £2.00 which has been supplied by the owner of the new shop in Harbour Road, Seaton.

### **PTA NEWS from Claire Ross**

Grizzly Run: Tomorrow Axe Valley Runners will be presenting a cheque to the PTA to thank them for helping them at the Grizzly Run – unfortunately I don't know the amount yet! Thank you to all parents and children who helped at the drinks station; I hope you enjoyed yourselves.

Bag2School: Early next term there will be a Bag2School collection to raise funds for the PTA. Bag2School collect secondhand clothes, shoes, bed linen, curtains etc which are suitable for resale in Eastern Europe. We are paid 25p per kilo, which may not sound a lot, but adds up very quickly! So, if you are planning a clear out during the Easter break, please don't throw things away quite yet.

Claire Ross

Yours sincerely

Alan Simpson  
Headteacher

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**CYCLE TRAINING**

I would like my child \_\_\_\_\_ in Year \_\_\_\_ to take part in cycle training.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_