

Seghill First School Newsletter September 2023 edition 4

Attendance target 96.3%

Whole school attendance since 05 September 2023	94.9%
Whole school attendance this week	93.2%
97.0%	96.4%
90.5%	91.7%
97.5%	90.0%

Class of the week for this week is **Purple** class with 97.5% attendance. **Well done Purple class.** You have the attendance octopus and you all had a dip in the sweet box today.

Our winner for a **dip in the attendance prize box** as a reward for having 100% attendance and no late marks for the week is **Jack** in Blue class.

Star of the week

Our stars of the week are-

Mrs Lyons

Mrs Watson and Mrs Thomas

Miss Winter

Mrs Bell

Mrs Kembrey

Mrs Askew

Miss Chappell

Staff star

Layton;

Charlie;

Freya;

Hallie;

Finnlagh;

Rebeun;

Frankie L;

Miss Winter.



Birthdays

We had one birthday in school this week.

Ollie in Green class is now 7.

Happy birthday to you Ollie. We hope your birthday was special and fun.



WOW winners

Our Writers of the Week are-

Mrs Lyons

Mrs Watson and Mrs Thomas

Miss Winter

Mrs Bell

Mrs Kembrey

Mrs Askew

Mrs Ellison

Mrs Miller and Mrs Jose

Declan;

Marnie;

Leila;

Alannah;

Jaxson;

Grace;

Jimmy;

Frankie R.



Macmillan Coffee afternoon

Thank you so much to everyone who came to our Macmillan Coffee afternoon this afternoon **and for the donations of cakes and goodies.** As always, there was a lovely feeling in the hall.

We have raised an ABSOLUTELY AMAZING £265 for Macmillan.

All of this money will go directly to the Macmillan charity to support them to continue their amazing work.

Congratulations to our **raffle winners**- Nicola, Simonne, Isabella x 2, Sam, and Ava



Reading books reminder

Children in key stages 1 and 2 should bring their reading books and reading records to school **every day.** Staff change the books every week but we cannot keep up if books are not brought into school. Please take extra care with the books we send home so we do not have to replace reading books and reading records.

Events coming up this half term

Autumn term interviews for parents and children with class teachers	Monday 23 October and Wednesday 25 October from 3:30pm for all year groups
Celebration assembly	Friday 27 October at 2:15pm, including harvest festival
October half term holidays	Monday 30 October to Friday 03 November

Fun day lunch Thursday 05 October



We will be serving our autumn term census lunch on **Thursday 05 October**. The meal will have a "rugby world cup" theme.

Children will be served chicken nuggets, chips, peas and sweetcorn followed by a shortbread biscuit.

As always, the meal will be prepared and cooked on site by Mrs Rogage.

Golden tickets will be hidden underneath the plates. One child in every class will win a **special prize** if they find a golden ticket under their plate.

There will also be a **star prize** for one pupil in our school to be entered into a prize draw across the authority to win one of the following fantastic prizes which have been donated by the Newcastle Falcons Rugby Club-

- a signed Newcastle Falcons rugby shirt
- a visit to your school from Newcastle Falcons first team players to enjoy lunch time with you
- 3 pairs of match tickets to watch Newcastle Falcons play at Kingston Park (3 prizes)
- 4 places on a Falcons coaching camp (2 prizes for two children to go together)

The draw will take place after Census day and we will be informed if we have any winners from our school.

Purple class

Children in Purple class are working with **Seven Stories** on a project called '**Whose Books Are These Anyway?**' This project is fully funded, and we have been very lucky to be chosen to take part. We have had workshops in school from Seven Stories staff and the children have visited Seven Stories and **Newcastle Central Library**.

At **Seven Stories** the children listened to some stories about climate change, had a debate and then created their own posters. They then held a mini protest using their posters. Then the children were allowed to see and hold some original artwork, some drawn by Axel Scheffler. Then they were able to look around the galleries at other Author's work.

At the **Newcastle Central Library** they got to visit Seven Stories archives with original artwork and stories by hundreds of authors, including Nick Sharrat and Judith Kerr. They also saw Michael Murpurgo's orange notebooks, which he used to write all of his books.

Early Years focus

In Early Years we have been looking at feeling and emotions. We create our own self portraits and made pizza faces which were really yummy. We discussed our likes and dislikes and the children chose their own toppings for their pizza.



One of our key texts this half term is 'The Colour Monster'. We have explored colours in the tuff tray learning about dark and light colours and how colours can change. We have also linked colours to our emotions and the children chose a colour depending on how they were feeling.

Finnlagh chose red for being grumpy because he doesn't like getting up early whereas Isabella chose red because she loves her Mammy!



Jax said he was feeling blue because he missed his baby whereas Sierra said she was feeling blue because the sky was blue and it made her happy.



Lots of the children in Early Years were able to describe how they were feeling and why. Well done, Early Years!

