

Seghill First School Newsletter Janaury 2024 edition 1

Safe, Supported, Successful

Attendance target 96.3%

Whole school attendance since 05 September 2023	92.7%
Whole school attendance this week	95.3%
100%	94.2%
100%	91.7%
98.0%	90.3%

We have two classes of the week for this week. Red class and Orange class both have 100% attendance. **Well done Red and Orange class.** You will share the attendance octopus and you have had a dip in the sweet box.

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 **Ella** in Purple class.

Star of the week and WOW writers

We didn't have star of the week assembly this week.
Please check back next week to find out who our first stars and WOW writers of the new term are.

Birthdays

We had one birthday in school this week. **Jaylen** in Blue class was 9 this week. Happy birthday to Jaylen. We hope you enjoyed your birthday.

★ **HAPPY** ★
BIRTHDAY!

Spring term A PE days

Class	Autumn term B PE days
Nursery Orange class	Wednesday and Friday
Reception Yellow class	Wednesday and Friday
Year 1 Red class	Thursday and Friday
Year 2 Green class	Tuesday and Wednesday
Year 3 Purple class	Wednesday and Thursday
Year 4 Blue class	Tuesday and Friday

Children should wear a **plain white t-shirt, plain black or navy joggers, trainers and their school sweatshirt or cardigan** to school on their PE days. Please ensure long hair is tied back for PE. Children cannot wear earrings for PE. If your child cannot remove their own earrings they should not wear them on PE days.

Reminder for all Nursery families about applications for Reception places

Parents and carers of children in Nursery must apply for a place for their child in Reception. This is done online via the School Admissions portal. Please follow this link-

[school admissions portal](#)

Applications must be made by **15 January 2024**. Please don't miss this deadline. Sometimes parents and carers assume that their child will get a place in Reception due to them having a place in Nursery. This is untrue. 16 April 2024 is National Offers Day, when parents and carers are informed by Northumberland County Council which school their child is being offered a place in from September 2024.

Spring term coffee mornings

Class teachers will be providing class coffee mornings next week. The dates are-
Years 1 and 2- Tuesday 16 January
Nursery and Reception- Wednesday 17 January
Years 3 and 4- Thursday 18 January

All coffee mornings will start at **8:45am** and end by 9:30am. Please drop your child at their classroom before coming to the coffee morning.

We hope you will be able to join us to find out **what the children will be learning** this term. We will also be talking about **what you can do to support your child's learning**.

Events coming up next term

Spring coffee mornings at 9:00am – 9:45am	Fundraising and community
Years 1 and 2 Tuesday 16 January	Non uniform for school funds Friday 16 February
Nursery and Reception Wednesday 17 January	World Book Day book sale and coffee morning at 9:00am Thursday 07 March
Years 3 and 4 Thursday 18 January	Mother's Day lunch Thursday 07 and Friday 08 March
Class assemblies	Red Nose Day (Comic Relief) non uniform
Year 4 class assembly Friday 15 March at 2:30pm	Film night Wednesday 27 March at 3:15pm for Years 1 to 4
Spring term meetings for parents and children with class teachers	Celebration assemblies
All year groups Monday 18 March from 3:30pm	Friday 16 February at 9:00am
All year groups Wednesday 20 March from 3:30pm	Wednesday 27 March at 9:00am
	Other school events
	Easter tables challenge starts on Monday 11 March
	Easter egg decorating competition deadline Wednesday 27 March
School is closed on these dates- Monday 19 February to Friday 23 February 2024 for the half term holidays. Thursday 28 March 2024 due to a staff training day. Friday 29 March to Friday 12 April 2024 for the Easter holidays.	

Multi skills competition success

Children in Year 4 took part in the Cramlington and Seaton Valley schools' **multi skills challenge** last term. They came **second**, which means they will go forward to the live virtual final of the competition. This will take place next Friday. Well done, Year 4, this is amazing news. We are proud of you and look forward to seeing you take part in the final on Friday next week.

Whole school test- The Story Thief

We always start each term with a **shared whole school text**. This term we are using **The Story Thief**, by Graham Carter, as a stimulus for our work. The children have been really engaged by the text and the activities they have completed. It has been great to walk around school to see the work on the text in each classroom. The Story Thief has locked some books in a cage and the children have been looking for the key all week. Every time I've been in Early Years this week, I've been accosted by the children to help them find the missing key that opens the cage. A small range of pictures are on the next couple of pages to give you a flavour of the work we have done this week.

School website

Our school website has been totally refreshed and has gone live this week. Please click on <http://www.seghill.northumberland.sch.uk/web/> to take a look.

The front page now includes 6 buttons down this side so information can be found more easily. We still have a few bits and pieces to add, but we hope you agree that it is a great improvement on our previous website, which was definitely at the end of its lifespan.



Under the Sea themed lunch

We will be serving our spring term census lunch on **Thursday 18 January**. The meal will have an "under the sea" theme.

Children will be served a fish finger sandwich, chips, peas and sweetcorn followed by a brownie and ice cream.

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

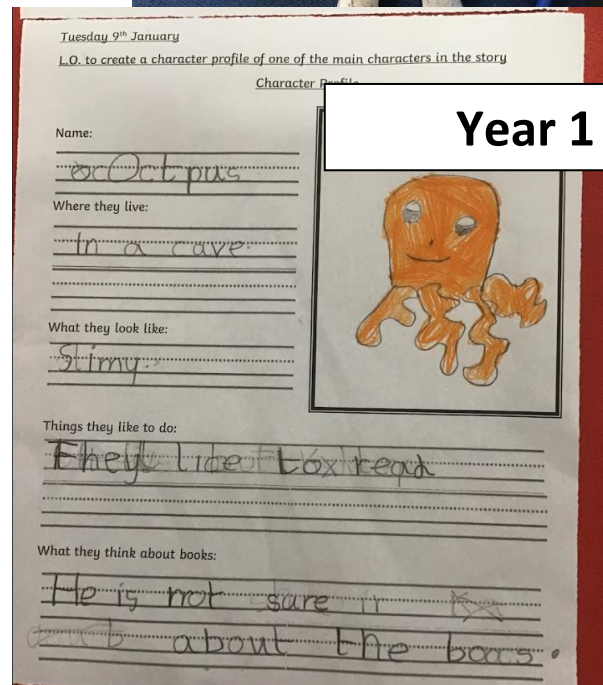
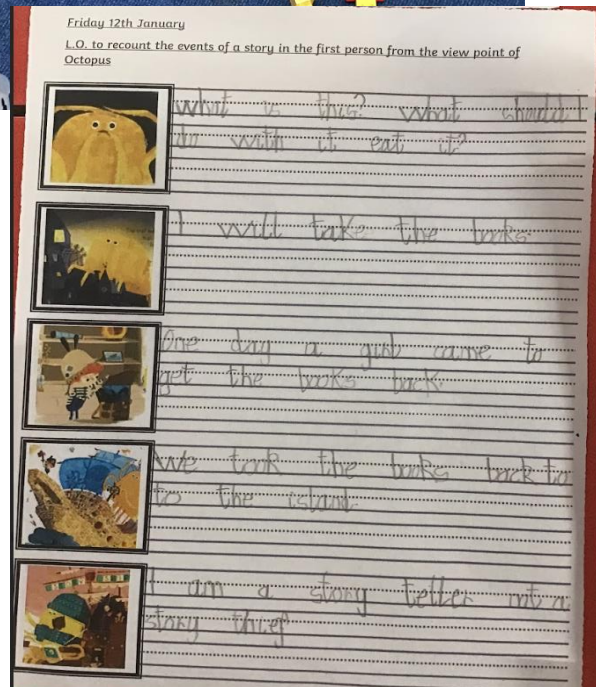
Golden tickets will be hidden underneath the plates. One child in every class will win a **special prize** if they find a golden ticket under their plate.

There will also be a **star prize golden ticket** for one pupil in every school to be entered into a prize draw across the authority to win a range of **fantastic family ticket pass prizes** donated by Tynemouth Aquarium, St Mary's Lighthouse and Leisure services.



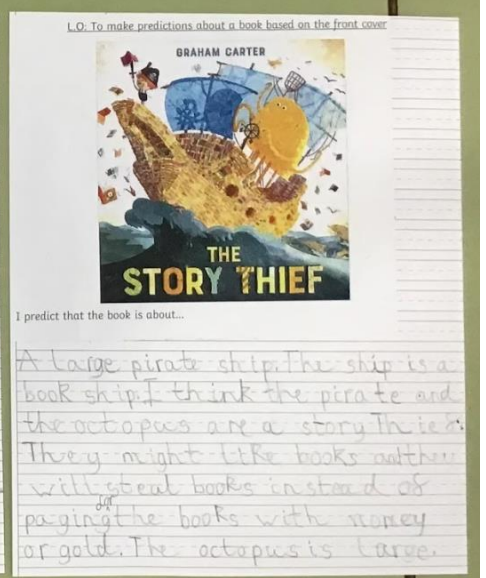
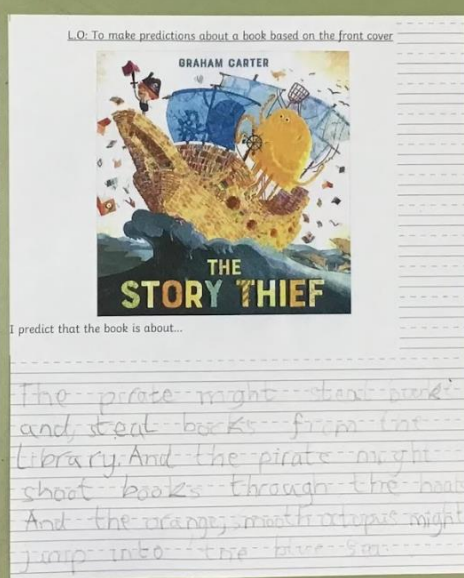
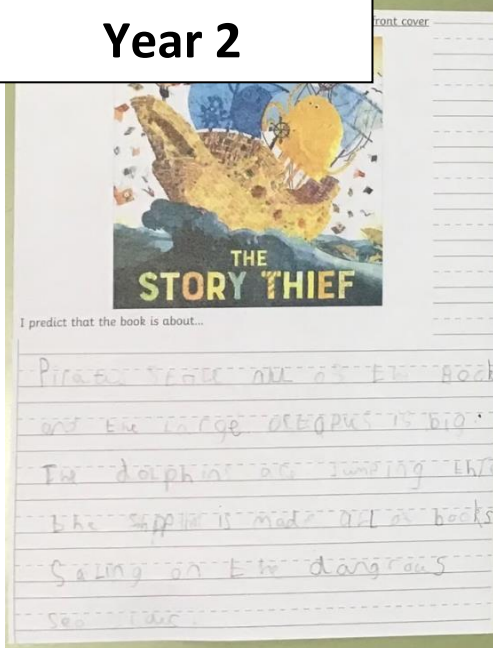
The Story Thief gallery

Early Years



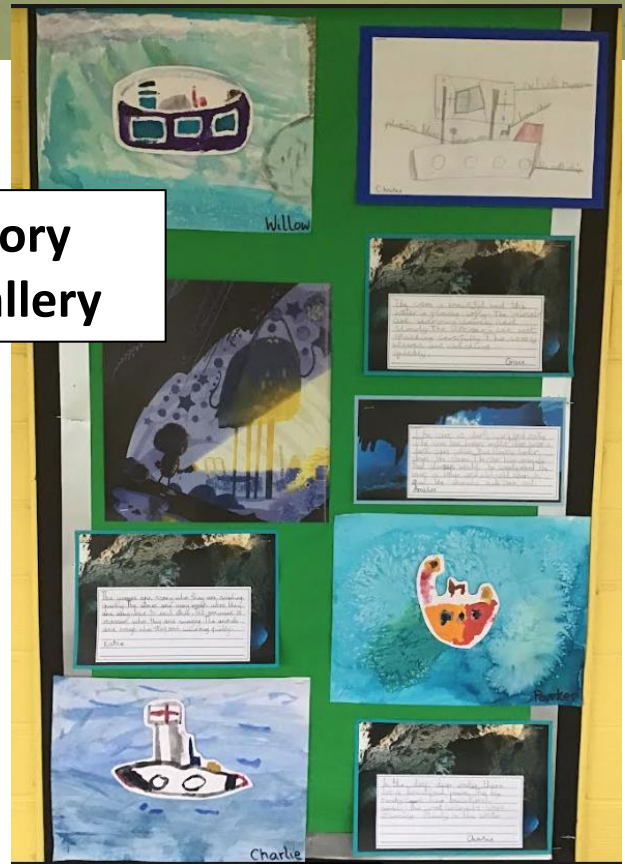
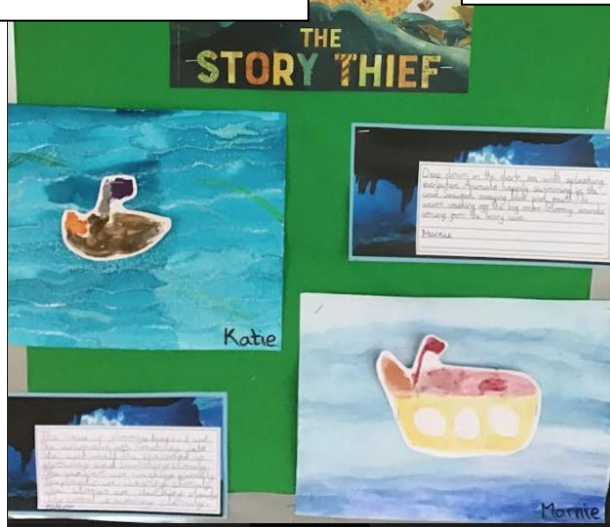
Year 1

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Year 3

The Story Thief gallery



Year 4

