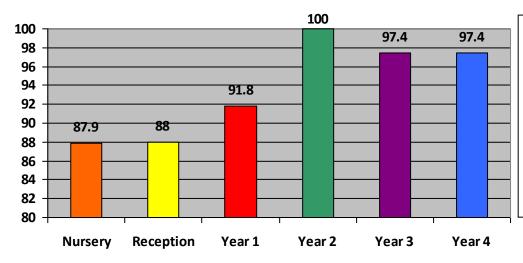
# Seghill First School Newsletter July 2024 edition 1

# Safe, Supported, Successful

# Attendance Whole school attendance year to date 94.4% Whole school attendance this week 94.2% National average attendance this week 94.4%



Our attendance (year to date) was above national average, but it is now BELOW NATIONAL AVERAGE. 25.5 school days have been missed this week, which has really pulled our numbers down.

Whole school attendance this week was 94.2%, which has gone back down again after a better week last week. 25.5 days have been missed this week. 16 children have missed at least one day this week. 30 school days have been missed this week due to holidays.

Class of the week for this week is Green class with 100% attendance. **Well done Green class**. You have 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 **Layton** in Blue class.

# Star of the week

Our Stars of the Week are-



# **WOW** winners

Our Writers of the Week are-



Mrs Lyons	Jaylen	Mrs Lyons	Layton
Mrs Watson and Mrs Thomas	Noah	Mrs Watson and Mrs Thomas	Ella
Miss Winter	Brandon	Miss Winter	Caiden
Mrs Bell	Rowan	Mrs Bell	Hallie
Mrs Kembrey	Brogan	Mrs Kembrey	Harley
Mrs Askew	Freddie	Mrs Askew	Katie
Miss Chappell	Rosie S	Mrs Miller	Alannah
Staff star	Mrs Lyons	Mrs Jose	Will
		Mrs Ellison	Edison

#### **Birthdays**

We have had two birthdays in school last week.

Kora in Red class was 6 last week.

Roman in Blue class was 9 last week.

We hope you had a lovely birthday, Kora and Roman.



# School meals update

This week we will be on week 2 of our two week rolling programme of dishes.

# **Events coming up this half term**

Other school events	Fundraising and community
Year 4 transition week Monday 08 July to Friday	Summer fayre Tuesday 16 July from 3:15pm
12 July	
Year 4 leavers' assembly Thursday 18 July at	
9:00am	
Year 4 leavers' party Thursday 18 July at 6:00pm	Celebration assemblies
School is closed on these dates-	Friday 19 July at 9:00am
Monday 22 July to Friday 30 August 2024 for	
the Summer holidays and on Monday 02 and	
Tuesday 03 September 2024 for staff training	
days.	

# **Summer fayre non uniform Friday 05 July**

Thank you so much to everyone who wore **non-uniform** and brought in a **donation** for the summer fayre **bottle tombola on Friday**. Your donations are very much appreciated. The more donations we receive the more prizes we will have on our tombola.

## Les Olympiques des Animaux

On Thursday afternoon we were visited by a **theatre company** who put on a French performance called **Les Olympiques des Animaux**- the Animal Olympics for the children in Years 3 and 4.

Before the performance started, they took part in a workshop and some children were chosen to take part in the performance.

This was an excellent **cultural opportunity** for our children to see a real life performance in our school and to see a performance where the actors were speaking and singing in French. The performance was put on for us free of charge, which makes it even better! Remember key stage 2- respect, amitié, courage, égalité et excellence!!

### **Sponsored sports event**

Thank you to everyone who supported our sponsored circuit event and handed in sponsor money. I am delighted to announce that we raised £964.50 so far, with another £202.50 pledged. Well done everyone. We will look at what we are going to spend that money on and we'll let you know. If you still have sponsor money, please can we have it handed into school by **Wednesday 10 July** so the money can be added to the current total.

# Eat, sleep, play, learn fund reminder

Last year, Northumberland County Council allocated the **Eat, Sleep, Play, Learn fund** to support our children and young people, which was part of the council's response to cost-of-living pressures.

The fund was very well received across the County and received over 500 applications for support. The county council have now refreshed the fund to ensure it is continuously responding to the needs of our residents and helping to alleviate any obstacles which are causing financial difficulty and having a direct impact on a child's life.

Last year our school helped quite a few of our families who benefitted directly from the Eat, Sleep, Play, Learn fund, with items such as pillows, duvets and bedding.

To access the fund, we need to **make a referral for the fund on your behalf**. If you think there is something that you would like help with, please let us know and we will make a referral to the fund for you.

## Nursery and Reception class assembly Friday 05 July

On Friday morning the children in Early Years had their class assembly in the hall and what a brilliant job they did. Unfortunately, I was not there to see the assembly as I was with the Year 4 children on their trip to Lightwater Valley. However, when I spoke to the staff team and the children, everyone said that the Orange and Yellow class children were all amazing. The "who would be the most likely to" part went down very well, as did the treasure boxes that the children had made. The audience loved the beanstalks that the children made. Well done Yellow and Orange class. Your assembly sounded marvellous.

# Year 4 treat trip to Lightwater Valley Friday 05 July

On Friday our Blue class children went to **Lightwater Valley Family Adventure Park for their Year 4 treat trip**. The trip was planned as a leaving gift from our school, to give the children another lovely memory of their time with us.

The school covered the **entire cost** of the trip so it was accessible to all pupils. This included the cost of the coach, entry into the park and access to all rides and attractions.

The children had a brilliant time. The weather was on our side, so everyone stayed dry. Well everyone stayed dryish after some people had multiple turns on Splash Falls! The park was reasonably quiet, so the children had lots of turns on all of the rides. Thank you to Mrs Lyons for organising the visit and to Mrs Ellison and Miss Young for their help on the day.



# Summer holiday vouchers for children entitled to Free School Meals

Miss Best is busy sorting out the **summer holiday vouchers** for children who are entitled to **Free School Meals**. The vouchers are funded by Northumberland County Council and are for children entitled to Free School Meals, not Universal Infant Free School Meals, which all children in Reception and Years 1 and 2 are entitled to.

If you have not applied for Free School Meals, and you think you may be entitled to them, please use this <u>link</u> which will take you directly to the application form on the county council's website. We can only give vouchers to children who are entitled to Free School Meals; giving out vouchers to other families is not within our power, as we are given the vouchers according to the county council's Free School Meals list. Please don't miss out on the vouchers and other entitlements. It's always worth checking your entitlement.