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Attendance		
Whole school attendance year to date 95.3%	National average attendance year to date 95.8%	
Whole school attendance this week 96.5%	National average attendance this week 95.6%	
Whole school attendance this week was 96.5% Class of the week this week again is Purple class with 98.5%		

attendance. Well done **Purple class**. You have the attendance octopus and you have had a dip in the sweet box. For the second week in a row, Yellow class also had exactly the same attendance as purple class, but they had more late marks than Purple class. 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 **Edie** in Red class. Well done Edie.



Star of the week Our Stars of the Week are-	or the Week	WOW winners Our Writers of the Week are-	WOW
Mrs Lyons	Ella	Mrs Lyons	Katie
Mrs Watson and Mrs Thomas	Frankie	Mrs Watson and Mrs Thomas	Frankie
Miss Winter	Manessa	Miss Winter	Ethan
Mrs Bell	Hadia	Mrs Bell	Edie
Mrs Kembrey	Rio	Mrs Kembrey	Grace
Mrs Askew	Theo	Mrs Askew	Каіа
Miss Chappell	Francesca	Mrs Jose	Emma
Staff star	Miss Winter	Mrs Miller	Caleb
		Mrs Ellison	Amy
		Miss Welton	Katie

Individual school photographs

Individual photographs of all pupils were taken today. A proof of your child's

photograph will be sent home today so you can look at the different options that can be purchased from the company. Please follow the



instructions on the proof to order and pay for photographs.

Birthdays

We have two birthdays in school this week. **Freya** in Purple class will be 8 at the weekend. **Alannah** in Blue class is 9 today. Happy birthday Freya and Alannah. We hope your birthdays were special and fun.



Seghill First School annual calendar autumn 2024			
Christmas	Fundraising and community events		
Christmas post boxes open - Monday 16 th December	Non uniform for Christmas fayre – Friday 8th November		
Year 1 to Year 4 Christmas concert – Monday 16 th December 9.00am and 2.30pm	Children in Need – Friday 15 th November		
Nursery and Reception Christmas performance – Tuesday 17th December 9.00am	Non uniform for Christmas fayre – Friday 22 nd November		
Nursery and Reception Christmas party – Tuesday 17 th December 1.00pm	Non uniform for Christmas Fayre – Friday 6 th December		
Christmas lunch all year groups – Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas Fayre – Friday 13 th December from 3.15pm		
Year 1 & Year 2 Christmas party – Wednesday 18 th December 1.00pm	Film night Year 1 to Year 4 – Wednesday 18 th December 3.30pm		
Year 3 & Year 4 Christmas party – Thursday 19 th December 1.00pm			
Autumn term meetings for parents and children with class teachers	Other school events		
Monday 21 st October from 3.30pm	Santa's reading challenge – Monday 2 nd December		
Wednesday 23th October from 2.30pm	Celebration assemblies		
	Friday 25 th October 2.30pm		
	Friday 20 th December 9.00am		

School is closed on these dates-

Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November for the half term holidays, Monday 23rd December to Friday 3rd January for the Christmas holidays and Monday 06 January 2025 due to a staff training day.

Meeting for parents and carers with class teachers

We have arranged for **parents and carers to meet with their child's class teacher** on **Monday 21 October and Wednesday 23 October**.

Sign-up sheets have been available since Monday 14 October. Please book your slot by signing up on the sheet if you have not done so already.

It is really helpful if you can bring your child along to the meeting, so they are involved in the conversations. Meetings will take place in the hall. Please use the main entrance on Cheviot View.

Meetings on Monday 21 October will be for children in Nursery, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4. Meetings will start at 3:30pm.

Meetings on **Wednesday** 23 October will be for children in **all classes**. Meetings will start at **2:30pm**. If you have an appointment between 2:30pm and 3:15pm, your child will be brought to the hall for your appointment, and you can take them home following the appointment. **All children in Years 1 to 4 will be dismissed from the Year 3 and 4 classrooms on Wednesday at 3:15pm**.

Celebration assembly

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our celebration and harvest festival assembly on Friday 25 October.

We are asking the children to bring in a donation for the harvest festival. We will make a display in the hall for you and the children to see during the celebration and harvest festival assembly. If you could start sending in any items from **Monday 23 October**, that would be great. Examples of what you can donate are on page 4.

All items will be donated to the **Seaton Valley Food Bank**. In these difficult times for everyone, it is great to see what we can do to help each other.

Autumn B extra-curricular clubs

A letter was sent out last week detailing our **extra-curricular clubs** for **autumn term B**. We will be offering-

- Cooking club after school on Mondays with Mrs Askew for children in Reception;
- Sports club after school on Tuesdays with NUFC for children in Years 1 and 2;
- Christmas craft club after school on Tuesdays with Mrs Lyons and Miss Winter for children in Years 3 and 4.

Each term we offer different activities to each year group as part of our planned annual programme of extra-curricular activities.

If you would like your child to take part in any of the extra-curricular activities for next half term, please pay **£12 on School Gateway** and return the **reply slip** sent out with the letter by **Wednesday 23 October**. Places at each of the activities is limited in order to make the experience as good as possible for everyone who attends.

Autumn B PE days		Next
Class	Autumn term B PE days	Staff half
Nursery Orange class	Wednesdays	Mrs Askew term
Reception Yellow class	Wednesdays and Fridays	Mrs Kembrey
Year 1 Red class	Tuesdays and Thursdays	NUFC and Mr Dowson
Year 2 Green class	Tuesdays and Fridays	NUFC and Cheryl Ferry
Year 3 Purple class	Wednesdays and Thursdays	Mrs Thomas and Mr Dowson
Year 4 Blue class	Mondays and Fridays	Mrs Lyons and Cheryl Ferry

Please see the timetable above for PE lessons in the autumn term B. We have an annual plan for PE, including the sports and activities for each year group and when we will be using additional coaches. Next half term we will be working with NUFC, Mr Dowson (Shape Performance) and Cheryl Ferry (Cheryl Ferry Dance). PE days are changed so that each class has a chance to work with the coaches.

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. Staff are unable to remove earrings for children.

Halloween disco at Astley Park Pavilion

We have been asked to advertise the Halloween Disco taking place at Astley Park Pavilion on Thursday 31 October.

The **free** disco will be from **1:30pm to 3:00pm** and **fancy dress** is optional.

If you would like your child to attend, please book on **01670 541150** or **01670 798800**.

Places are **limited** and places **must be booked**. This event is being run by the Family Hub. We don't have tickets so please use these numbers to secure a place for your child.







Listed below are examples of what can be donated:

- Cereals
- Tinned soup
- Pasta, rice, pasta sauce
- Beans, spaghetti, tinned meat and tinned vegetables
- Tinned fruit
- Biscuits
- Tea, coffee and long life milk
- Toiletries Deodorant, toilet paper, shower gel, toothpaste, etc
- Household Items Laundry liquid, detergent, laundry powder and washing up liquid
- Feminine Products Sanitary towels, and Tampons
- Baby Supplies Nappies, baby wipes and baby food NO formula milk.

All donated items should be within their 'sell by' and/or 'best before' dates.

All items that you bring into school will be donated to the **Seaton Valley Food Bank**. Since April 2018 they have been working in partnership with Blyth Food Bank to provide a food parcel distribution service to residents in Seaton Valley who require support from the food bank. In these difficult times for everyone, it is great to see what we can do to help each other.