

Seghill First School Newsletter May 2026 edition 2

Attendance

Whole school attendance year to date 92.2%

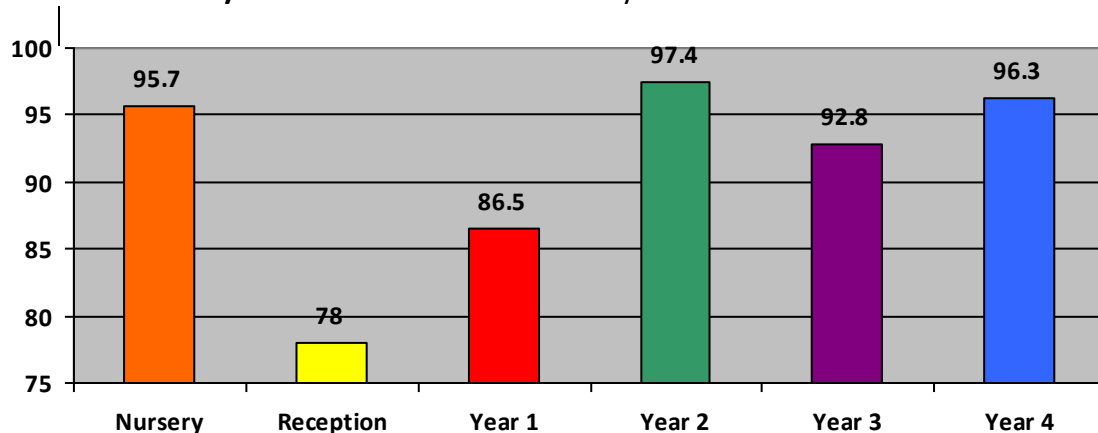
Whole school attendance this week 89.7%

Whole school attendance target 94.8%

Attendance of similar schools 94.6%

Whole school attendance this week was 89.7%. Class of the week this week is **Green class** with 97.4% 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 **Freya** in Blue class. Well done Freya.



Late marks this week

26 late marks

This year so far

932 late marks

Star of the week

Our Stars of the Week are-



WOW winners

Our Writers of the Week are-



Mrs Lyons

Sophie and Ollie

Mrs Lyons

Freya

Mrs Watson and Mrs Thomas

Sam

Mrs Watson and Mrs Thomas

Hallie

Miss Winter

Amy

Miss Winter

Harley

Mrs Bell

Alice

Mrs Bell

Henry

Mrs Kembrey

Evaya

Mrs Kembrey

Kodi

Mrs Askew

Luca

Mrs Askew

Rosie P

Miss Chappell

Freddie

Mrs Jose

Hadia

Staff star

Mrs Jose

Miss Welton

Annabel

Mrs Ellison

Cole

Birthdays

We have no birthdays in school this week.

Please check back next week for our birthday boys and girls.



Next week's menu

WEEK 1

WEEK 2

Seghill gala king and queen

Congratulations to **Leo and Emily** in Year 4, who have been announced as the **Seghill gala king and queen**. Names were drawn from a hat. Reserves are Brandon and Sophie.

Update from this week

On Wednesday Year 2 visited **Bamburgh** to enhance their learning on their history topic of significant people and events in our local history.

The children had a fabulous time at Bamburgh. They re-enacted the shipwreck of 1838, dressing up as Grace, William, Tomlinson, the fishermen and the survivors. Then they visited Grace's memorial in the churchyard and watched a video all about Grace's life. Finally, they visited the beach and found lots of different shells and discussed human and physical features of a beach.

The children's behaviour and engagement with the activities was fantastic throughout the day. Special thanks to Miss Winter for organising the visit and to Mrs Ellison, Miss Young and Mrs Parker for their help.

Tickets for **Games Night** for children in Years 1 to Year 4 are available to buy. Children are encouraged to bring in board games and games to school on Wednesday 20 May that can be played with one or more other players. Please don't send in electronic games or devices.

If you would like your child to stay for games night, please book a ticket for them via **School Gateway**. Tickets cost £3.00, which includes a biscuit and a drink.

The payment tab on School Gateway is in payments, Games night Wednesday 20 May 2026 Years 1 to 4 then give consent and pay £3.00. The deadline for payments is Friday 15 May.

As we are offering games night, we will not be offering after school club on Wednesday 20 May.

Next week

Mrs Lyons and Miss Winter are preparing for the **Year 4 residential visit** to **Ford Castle** next week. They will be visiting the outdoor centre from Wednesday 13 May to Friday 15 May.

The children will take part in a range of activities, all run by PGL's qualified instructors, as well as staying away from home for two nights. We have been taking part in residential visits for more than 15 years and we very much hope to continue this next year with our current Year 3 children.

Children in **Nursery and Reception** will also be out of school next week on a visit to **Whitehouse Farm** on Tuesday 12 May. The purpose of the visit is to observe a range of animals and understand their needs as part of our "farms and animals" topic.

Sunflower Project

We are working with Suez, WL Straughan and The Alnwick Garden to celebrate **25 years** of **The Alnwick Garden**.

All children will be planting **sunflower seeds**, which will become part of **Seghill Restored Landfill Nature Trail**. There will be a Family Fun day in August where families can go along and pick your child's plant and raise money for The Alnwick Garden charities.



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Seghill First School summer term 2026 calendar

Other school events	Fundraising and community
EYFS school visit to Whitehouse Farm – Tuesday 12 May	Games night Year 1 to Year 4 – Wednesday 20 May 3:15pm to 5:00pm*
Year 4 residential trip – Wednesday 13 May to Friday 15 May	Non uniform for summer fayre – Friday 22 May
Key stage 1 and 2 school visit – Tuesday 02 June for Key stage 2 and Friday 05 June for Key Stage 1	Non uniform for Seghill Gala fund – Thursday 04 June
Nursery and Reception sports morning – Tuesday 23 June 9:00am	Non uniform for summer fayre – Friday 12 June
Nursery and Reception sports morning reserve date – Thursday 25 June 9:00am	Father’s Day breakfast – Friday 19 June 9:00am
Year 1 to Year 4 sports afternoon – Thursday 25 June 2:00pm	Father’s Day lunch – Monday 22 June 11:45am
Year 1 to Year 4 sports afternoon reserve date – Friday 26 June 2:00pm	Sponsored sports event w/b Monday 22 June
Year 4 transition week – Monday 06 July to Friday 10 July	Non uniform for summer fayre - Friday 26 June
Year 4 leavers party – Thursday 16 July 6:00pm	Summer fayre – Tuesday 07 July 3:15pm*
Class assemblies	Celebration assemblies
Year 4 class assembly – Wednesday 03 June 9:00am	Friday 22 May – 2:30pm
Year 3 class assembly – Wednesday 10 June 2:45pm	Friday 17 July – 9:00am
Year 2 class assembly – Thursday 18 June 2:45pm	Topic homework
Year 1 class assembly – Wednesday 24 June 9:00am	Given out Friday 15 May
Nursery and Reception class assembly – Friday 03 July 9:00am	Deadline Wednesday 10 June
Year 4 leavers assembly – Thursday 16 July 9:00am	

School is closed on these dates-

Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May for the half term holidays.

Monday 20 July to Friday 28 August for the Summer holidays.

*There will be **no after school club** on Wednesday 20 May due to Games Night and Tuesday 07 July due to the summer fayre.

Appointments to see Mrs Lyons

When Mrs Lyons was absent last term following her operation, she was unable to meet with parents and carers of Year 4 children for the **spring term meetings**. If any **Year 4 parents** and carers would like to meet with Mrs Lyons, please see her either before or after school to arrange an appointment.

School census lunch

We will be serving our summer term census lunch on **Thursday 21 May**. Children will have chicken nugget wrap served with mini hash browns and sweetcorn followed by an iced doughnut. 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.

Fundraising update

Reason	Amount in £
Charity donations	
Jeans for Genes	98
Macmillan Coffee morning	214
Seaton Valley Food Bank	Donations of food and toiletries
Children In Need	120
NSPCC Number Day	76
Non uniform for Seghill gala	100
Total so far	608
School fundraising income	
Christmas fayre	1060
Parental donation	60
Other Christmas events and activities	282
Non-uniform day for school funds	71
Mother's day lunch and afternoon tea raffle tickets	75
Tuck shop up to 07.05.26	263
Games night	105
Father's day breakfast and lunch raffle tickets	To follow
Sponsored sports event in June	To follow
Summer fayre	To follow
Total so far	1916
School expenditure	
Christmas shows	695
EYFS Whitehouse farm	601.10
Reception St Mary's church	175
Year 1 synagogue visit	180
Year 1 Grainger Market	104
Year 2 Bamburgh	333
Year 2 Whitley Bay Islamic centre	190
Year 3 Vindolanda	423.50
Year 4 mandir	125
Tuck shop up to 07.05.26	180.10
Year 4 Woodhorn	170
Year 4 Ford Castle	2920
Key stage 1 and 2 Newcastle castle	To follow
Year 4 end of school treat trip	382.50
Total so far	6479.20

Summary

Charity donations	608
School fundraising income	1916
School expenditure	6479.20

Our expenditure listed above does not include many other extras we provide for the children, such as weekly prizes for star of the week and WOW writers, attendance prizes and vouchers and drinks at fundraising events.

We have spent **£6479.20** on subsidising school trips and treats plus the tuck shop, and made **£1916** from fundraising activities. We have spent **£4563.20** more than we have received to provide these subsidies.