

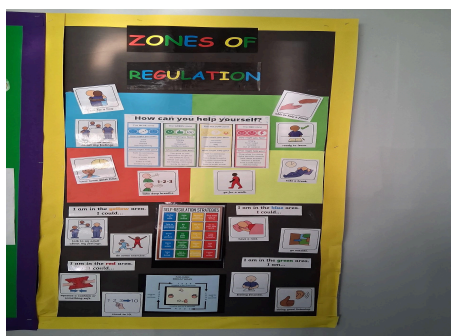


# SEATON SLUICE MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS REVIEW

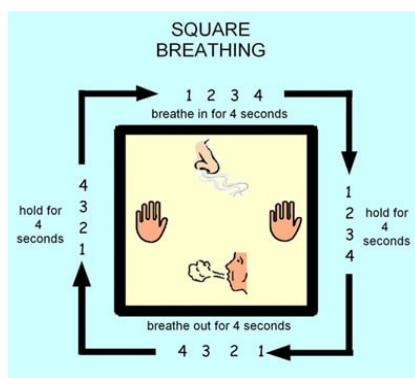
Week Ending 10th October, 2025

End of week 6. Read on for updates and a round-up of just some of the things that have been happening in school!

Form classes have begun to produce fabulous displays representing what they have been learning in their weekly zones of regulation sessions.



Children have been learning how breathing techniques can help them move from the yellow zone to the green zone. Try square breathing, sometimes also known as box breathing at home with your children.



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## Spotlight on... Geography

Year 7 have made a fantastic start in their first key stage 3 Geography lessons. They have been full of enthusiasm as they have started the year learning about settlements. So far they have got to grips with a new bank of vocabulary, begun to understand why settlements are built and developed knowledge of early settlements.

This week the classes have been looking at settlement patterns and their shapes. They were really impressed as they themselves had to become the patterns and show the shapes. Here are some examples of their interpretations of the shapes

**Linear** - Settlements built in a line, often along a road or river

**Nucleated** - Settlements built around something such as a roundabout

**Dispersed** - Settlements that have buildings well spread out



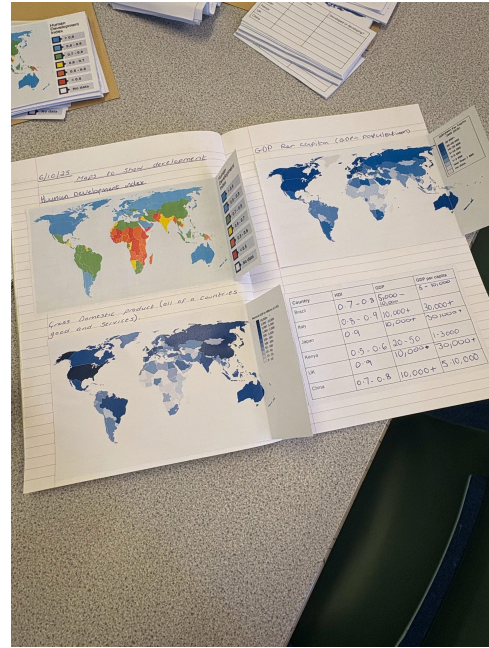


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Year 8 have been working on their first topic of Development. This topic allows them to investigate how countries around the world grow and improve to support the people who live there. This week they have been looking at a range of geographical maps to see what differences there are in world development. Year 8 have wowed with their map reading and data recording skills.



Work of the week - Across key stage 2 Humanities and key stage 3 Geography we are going to be celebrating the work of pupils and selecting pieces that stand out each week. These pieces will be rewarded with extra merits.



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## Key Stage 2 Reminders:

If you haven't done so already, please sign up for our annual trip to the Panto on MCAS. It is always a fantastic, hilarious show; this year is Cinderella!

If your child is interested in developing their cycling skills and increasing their safety and confidence, please sign up on MCAS for Bikeability which is the government's national cycle training programme.

Mrs Middlemiss



8N's brilliant acrostics about colour!

Mrs Cook

## Music clubs starting next week are:

Thursday - Music Drop In Session 12.15 - 12.45pm

Friday - Christmas Singing 12.15 - 12.45pm

Mrs Docherty

## Stars of the Week:

Y7 - Faith O

Y8 - Dylan M



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## Attendance

Please remember to call in or send a message via MCAS if your child is unwell and will not be attending school by 8:30am. It is important that we have evidence for each day your child is absent, even if they were sent home the previous day.

To report an absence via telephone call please dial 0191 2370629, select 4 for Seaton Sluice Middle School then select 8 to report a student absence.

Please also send evidence of medical/dental appointments/medication to [ssms@svf.org.uk](mailto:ssms@svf.org.uk) so we can attach these to your child's profile on our system.

If you are submitting a Leave of Absence request, please ensure any documentation supporting the exceptional circumstances is handed in at the same time as the Leave of Absence form.



**This week's whole school attendance (YTD): 93.10%**

Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
95.76%	95.00%	93.06%	89.17%

**The current best attending class is: 7E with 97.59%**

### Dates for the diary:

13.10.25 - 5S Northumberland Archives Project - all week  
16.10.25 - Flu vaccines  
17.10.25 - Show Racism the Red Card - wear something red!  
21.10.25 - PTFA Halloween disco  
24.10.25 - SSMS Fun Run (further info to follow)  
4.11.25 - SEN coffee morning (further info to follow)  
4.11.25 - Pastoral Parents' Evening (further info to follow)



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