



SEATON SLUICE MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS REVIEW

Week Ending November 7th, 2025

Half-term 2. End of week 1. Read on for updates and a round-up of just some of the things that have been happening in school!



Cramlington Food Bank was delighted with the school's generous donation to their Harvest collection. A huge thanks to all who felt able to send in items for this.

Pictured are Mrs Simpson from the foodbank and Mrs Cook, who organised it.



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Coffee Morning

On Tuesday, our children and staff thoroughly enjoyed welcoming parents into school for our SEND coffee morning.

The children played games together, which was a lovely way of getting to know some new friends and parents had the opportunity to talk to staff about any worries or concerns.

Thank you to the kitchen staff for the delicious cake.



Mrs Tennant and Mrs Porter



FUN RUN 2025



Well done to all our pupils for taking part in the annual SSMS Sponsored Fun Run! Great fun was had by all and we will hopefully raise lots of money for our School Fund, to help support all of our extra-curricular events.

Many thanks to all those who have brought in their sponsor money so far. Special thanks to Carlo in Y7 and Grace in Y5 who raised well over £100 each!

Please could all Sponsor money be brought into school by Friday, November 14th. Thanks!



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The Battle of Hastings

This week saw Year 7 History students battling it out in a re-creation of the Battle of Hastings, right in our very own school yard.

All students were given the chance to show their knowledge of medieval warfare (our topic for the last few weeks) as a homework assignment, by gathering or making props for the battle. This is always a popular piece of homework, but this year I was absolutely flabbergasted by the time, effort and skill that some of your children showed in their work. There were some truly amazing pieces, and they made the battle an enormous amount of fun! Thank you to you for the help that you provided them with in designing, building, and dropping things off at school - it is appreciated!

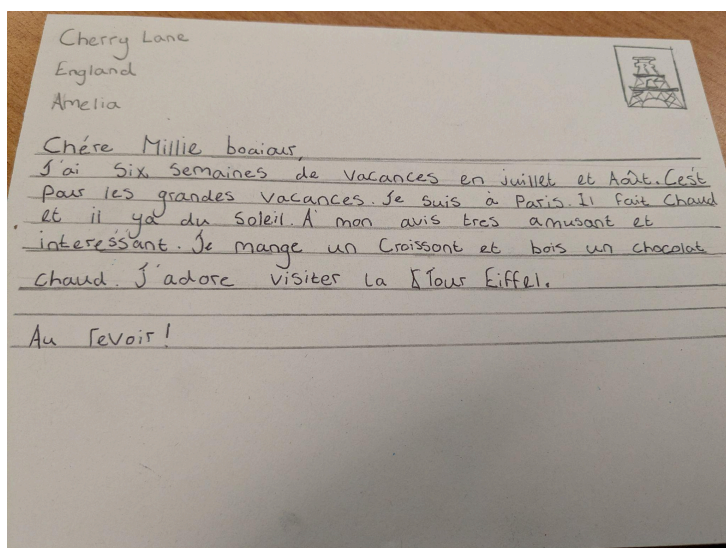
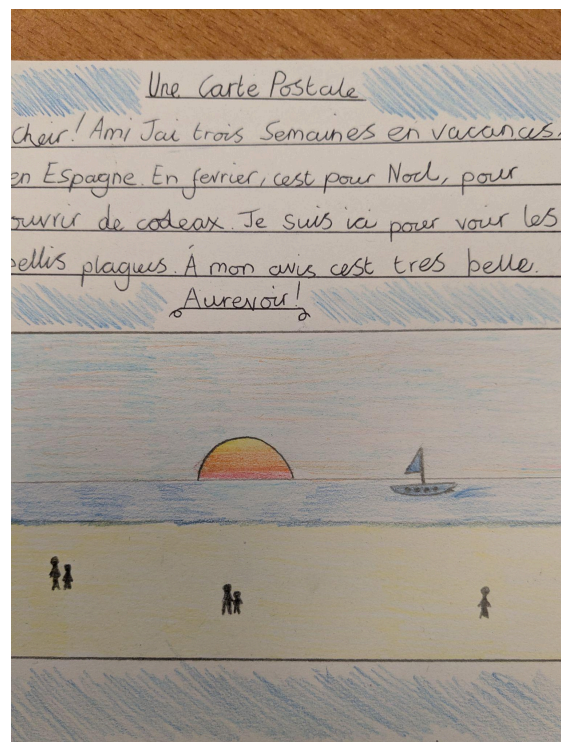
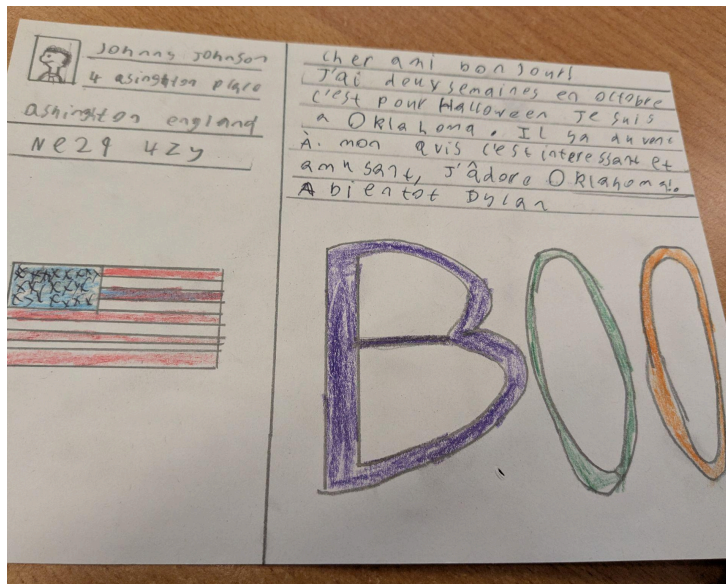
As always, all three classes showed superb understanding of the two armies, the skills of William of Normandy as a tactical leader, and the mistakes made by King Harold. It is a piece of history they are sure to remember.



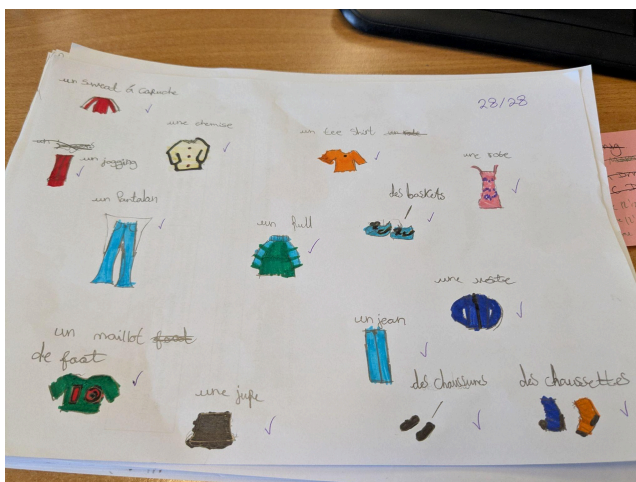
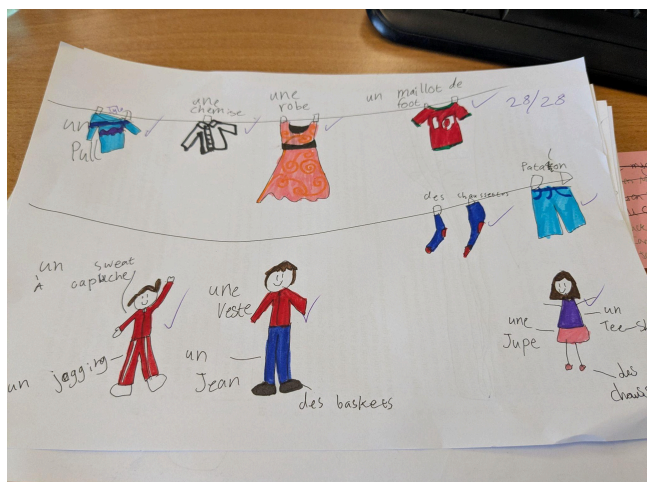
Mrs McCloskey

Spotlight on...French

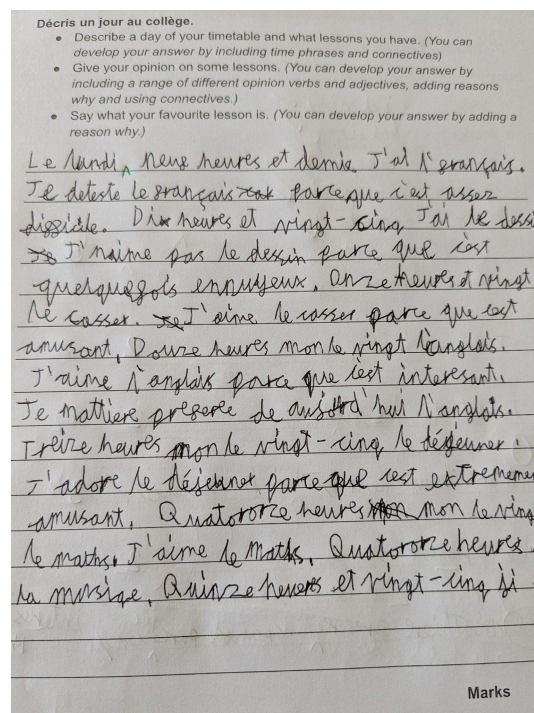
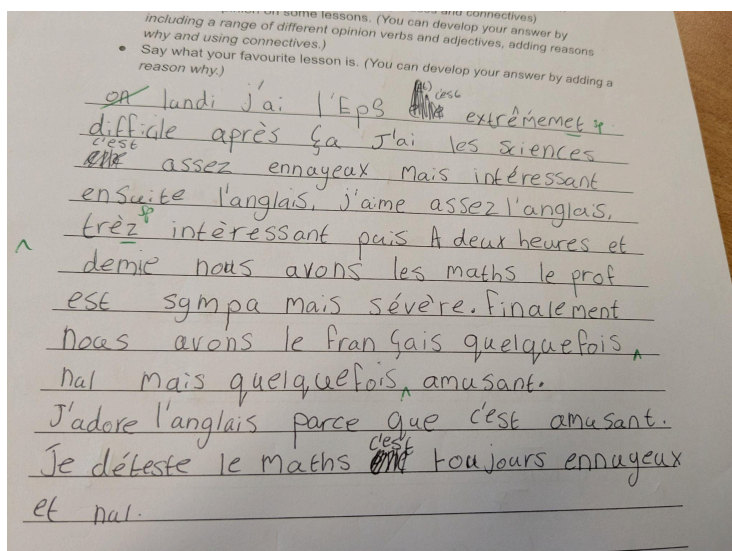
Year 8 have been working very hard on their topic of holidays. This topic has required them to talk and write about where they go on holiday, the weather there and what they do. They have also started using the past tense to describe a previous trip. I have been really impressed by the quality of some of their written work this term, from writing postcards to describing a previous holiday using the past tense.



Year 7 students have been studying the topic of school this term and have been learning how to discuss their timetable and give their opinions on their subjects. They have now begun to learn clothing and how to use adjectives correctly in order to describe their school uniform. We tried an artistic way of learning the new vocabulary, where pupils had to study and then recreate a picture from memory. I was amazed at how quickly and accurately some of them achieved this!



I was also very impressed with the quality of written work in their recent assessment, where they had to describe a day at school. This involved a lot more writing than they have been used to in KS2 and many pupils rose to the challenge and produced some excellent paragraphs. Well done!



Coming soon!



**18TH TO 20TH NOVEMBER
7:30AM TO 7:30PM DAILY**

**✖ PLAY IN ANY
GAME TYPE!**

**1HR TIME LIMIT
PER PERSON! ÷**

**WINNING CLASS WILL HAVE THE
HIGHEST NUMBER OF CORRECT
ANSWERS PER STUDENT!**



Stars of the Week:

Y5- Oliver C, Theo W, Ayda H

Y6- Arron M, Heidi W, Poppy J, Kody G, Lily W

Y7 - Amelia S

Y8 - Izzy K

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 send evidence of medical/dental appointments/medication to 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): 92.40%

Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
96.82%	90.83%	92.79%	90.10%

The current best attending class is: 5N with 100% attendance this week!



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Dates for the diary:

7.11.25 - Poppies on sale until 11.11.25
10.11.25 - Anti-bullying week - Y5 workshops/various activities
10.11.25 - Odd Socks Day - come to school wearing odd socks
11.11.25 - Remembrance Assembly (pupils only)
14.11.25 - Children in Need - non-uniform - suggested donation - £1
14.11.25 - Last day for bringing in Sponsored Fun Run money
27.11.25 - PTFA Christmas Fair (further info to follow)

Social Media Channels

Don't forget to keep up to date with everything else on our social media channel.

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