



One of the Seaton Valley Federation of Schools

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Notices - End of Half Term

Events this Term - Recap

2024 has started really strongly with a number of events taking place across the school.

- Year 5 went to The Baltic and the Quayside.
- Year 7 & 8 visited our very own Careers Fair with employers and colleges sharing their exciting programmes for students when they leave school.
- Dave Burn Safety Workshops Knife Crime & County Lines.
- Year 7 took part in a Macbeth drama event.
- The RAF has given an assembly to Year 8 about the rewarding experiences of the Cadets.

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.

Please also send evidence of medical/dental appointments so we can attach these to your child's profile on our system.

Year 5 Swimming

Next half term Year 5 will be doing swimming during their PE lessons. Please ensure that your child brings an appropriate swimming kit to school on this day.

The classes are:

Mon - 5L Tues - 5C Tues - 6F Wed - 5K









Sports Clubs

KS3 Girls fitness club will start on Tuesdays after half term, 3:30-4:30. <u>Places are capped to 20</u>. Please sign up on the Google form when it is sent to parents.

KS3 Table Tennis club continues on Thursday evenings.

Y6 cycling sessions will be on the first week back. Mr Edwards has informed all the groups who are taking part.

Sporting Achievements

Some brilliant Futsal results by Y8 boys in their local rounds:

WMS 5-2 Ovingham MS WMS 2-5 CLV WMS 4-2 Ponteland H











Swimming Clubs are also continuing next half term for those who have signed up

Monday - KS3 Girls Tuesday - Year 6 Wednesday - KS3 Boys 3.30 - 4.30

World Book Day Thursday 7th March 2024

Our World Book Day theme this year is linked to the topics each year group is studying in English. As always, we do not expect anyone to go out and buy anything elaborate - things you can find around the house will suffice.

The themes are as follows:

Year 5: Oh Maya Gods - Mayan Theme (headdresses)

Year 6: WW2 (evacuees - school uniform, cap, waistcoat, gas mask box and label; Land Girls, British Soldiers; Red, White and Blue theme).

Year 7: Gothic Theme - witches, ghosts, monsters (Halloween costumes would be great!) Year 8: Shakespeare-inspired (donkey ears from A Midsummer Night's Dream; mask from the masquerade ball in Romeo and Juliet; Shakespeare himself!)

If you are struggling for ideas, Pinterest has some great ideas for easy homemade costumes! We look forward to seeing everyone's efforts! On the day there will also be some fun activities taking place in school and as usual we will be handing out World Book Day tokens.

Stars of the Week

Our Stars of The Week are nominated each week by staff for a variety of reasons, which might be contribution to the school community, school work or something outstanding. Each week their success is shared in school in the Star of the Week video and they receive a certificate and chocolate bar.

Week ending 16/02/24:

5C: Jude J; 5K: Emily P; 5L: Alex F; 6E: Maya G; 6F: Lauren W; 6L: Lyra H; 7H:Io A-R; 7L: Lily H; 7T: Matthew L; 8M: Annalise H; 8Ro: Alyssya S-M; 8Ru: Ella P; Head of School SOTW: Charlotte W (6F)









Job Vacancies

We have some exciting opportunities in our schools for a variety of job roles.

We believe that the Seaton Valley Federation of Schools is a great place to work. Our staff are passionate and committed to working together to strive for excellence in education, expecting high standards from our students and themselves.

We want great people working for us. We pride ourselves on employing the best staff for all posts across the federation, people who believe in our vision and ethos and want to see the best outcomes for the young people in our schools.

The positions we are currently advertising are:-

- Cleaner
- Technician (Science Specialist)
- Technician (Design Technology Specialist)
- Technician (IT / Network Specialist)
- Lunchtime Supervisor

If you would like more information or know someone who might be interested in joining us please visit www.svf.org.uk/vacancies for more information.

All of our posts are advertised regularly on our website, along with the application form to complete.

Any questions please contact the HR Office on 0191 2371505.

NHS Advice on Measles

There is currently an outbreak of measles in the UK, please read the NHS guidance below on how to identify measles and how to look after your family if there is an outbreak. <u>https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/</u>

Social Media Channels

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

X - @WhytrigMS









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