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SEELY PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we near the end of another fulfilling academic year, we are full of pride in our tenacious and resilient team of staff and children. Achieving such a resoundingly 'good' judgement in this term's Ofsted inspection has been a fitting end to a long journey of collective effort to give this amazing school the recognition it has long deserved. Thank you very much to all of you who have been part of that journey. We wish all of you a restful and very well-earned summer break. Stay safe and we will see you **Tuesday 3rd September 2019**. Mrs Pearce and Mrs Newton

End of year message from the Governing Body:

Dear Parents and Carers, on the 16th July we held the last Full Governing Body meeting of the academic year. Each meeting covers dozens of different areas in checking that the school is being well managed, I would like to share with you some highlights. We reviewed the FGB membership and would like to say thank you to Karen Smith, Anne Arkle and Hilary Fyfe-Hardy who have now left the board, we would like to recognise their excellent contributions to a period of change and growth in the schools history. We will be holding an election for 2 new parent governors and co-opting another governor from the community. More details will follow next term. We reviewed early analysis of the schools attainment data, which continues to go from strength to strength. The budgets for next year have been carefully worked up and balanced. Over the year we have had presentations from a variety of subject area leads within the school, this gives the board the chance to understand teaching interventions which help in specific subject areas and for certain groups of children, a vital component in our academic results and in building a school community. I can report that the Full Governing Body received very positive feedback in a recent audit, all members continue to attend training and we will be doing some work together next term to make sure that we are equipped to take the school forward in the next chapter of its history. On behalf of the board I would like to thank all members of the school community for their hard work over the past year and hope you have a relaxing summer holiday. *Orlando Hampton, Chair, July 2019.* Thank you

Attendance:

With just a week to go before the end of the year, 5/6 C, 4KS and 3H have each recorded more than 96% class attendance for the year – Well Done! But Seely's *Awesome Attenders* for 2018-19 are 1J, with class attendance of 97.1%

The runaway winners of the Lates League are 3H, with only fifty-two late arrivals for the entire year; other classes have been much less punctual, so thank you to 3H (and to other families across the school whose punctuality has been excellent) for showing us what's possible! There's still lots of room for improvement on both attendance and punctuality – we'll be working hard to get much closer to one hundred percent next year, asking all our families to aim high (certificates will be awarded to all the children (currently almost forty) who achieve 100% attendance this year).

School APP:

To download the school app from the app store or android store you can now scan the QR code below if you have a scanning app, to take you straight there... alternatively search for "school jotter" and install. It will ask you to search for our school the first time you open the app. You only need to do this once—please make your you allow notifications otherwise you will miss out on instant messages! *Thank you*

APP STORE



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Nottinghamshire Hospice—Glass Jar Fundraising:

*Thank you to all who bought some of the beautiful glass jars the children decorated to raise money for the hospice—we raised **£231** in total and Leanne from the Hospice shop in Sherwood is coming into school tomorrow to collect the donations and take a photograph for the Hospice website etc. Well done!!*

Class / Individual Photo dates: 2019/2020:

Individual photos: Monday 7th October 2019 / **Class photos:** Wednesday 1st April 2020

Don't forget about the Seely Summer Reading Challenge!: Details can be found on the school app under the news section. We can't wait to see your photos!

Pay it Forward: Thank You to all of you who have very generously donated to the "pay it forward" category of online payments. We unfortunately can't afford to pay for trips from the school budget in their entirety and we hate to cancel them. This academic year we received £391.55 in extra donations which has helped trips to go ahead rather than have to cancel them due to funds collected being too low, so Thank You again.

Please make sure ALL children have a NAMED PE kit in school EVERYDAY!

Dinner Money year 6 parents/guardians – please ensure that you have paid for your child's meals by close of business on Friday 26th July 2019. If you need to make alternative arrangements for paying your child's dinner debt please speak to the Office Team.

Meals arrangements for September – Year 2 going into Year 3 please ensure that you have informed the office what your child will be having from September as children Year 3 and above do not get Government Universal Free Meals. If you are claiming any benefit and you have not claimed for a Free Meals Authority speak to the office team for a form to complete an application.

Dates for your diary next academic year:

Messy Staycation: 10am until 12pm on Saturday 27th July / 3rd, 10th and 17th August Sherwood Methodist Church, Devon Drive, Free fun and games for all the family whatever the weather

Tuesday 3 rd September	The Secret Garden Theatre Company
Wednesday 11 th	Yr 5 & 6 Phase Inspire
Wednesday 18 th	Yr 3 & 4 Phase Inspire
Wednesday 25 th	FS Phase Inspire
Thursday 26 th	Year 2 visit to Warwick Castle
Friday 27 th	McMillan Coffee Morning
Wednesday 2 nd October	Yr 1 & 2 Phase Inspire
Thursday 3 rd	Dogs Trust Workshop
Monday 7 th	Photo Day
Tuesday 8 th , Wednesday 9 th & Thursday 10 th	Partake
Tuesday 15 th	Parents Evening
Thursday 17 th	Parents Evening
Friday 18 th	Flu immunisation for years 1,2,3, 4, 5 & 6
Monday 4 th November	INSET Day
Friday 8 th	English Inspire Morning
Friday 15 th	Children In Need
Wednesday 4 th December	Christmas Fayre
Monday 9 th	KS1 Christmas Performance am & pm
Tuesday 10 th	KS1 Christmas Performance am Year 3 & 4 Christmas Performance pm
Wednesday 11 th	Christmas Dinner FS Christmas Performance am FS Christmas Performance pm
Thursday 12 th	Year 3 & 4 Christmas Performance am Year 3 & 4 Christmas Performance pm
Monday 16 th	Year 3 Christmas Party
Tuesday 17 th	Year 4 Christmas Party
Wednesday 18 th	Year 5 Christmas Party Foundation & KS1 Christmas Party Year 5 & 6 Christmas Carols on the playground
Thursday 19 th	Year 6 Christmas Party
Friday 20 th	Progress and Attitude Assembly

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2019

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Monday 29th July to
Thursday 29th August



INSET DAY

Friday 30th August &
Monday 2nd Sept

**(SCHOOL OPENS on Tues
3rd Sept 19)**

AUTUMN HALF TERM

Monday 21st Oct to
Friday 1st November

INSET DAY

Monday 4th November

CHRISTMAS HOLS 2019

Monday 23rd Dec to
Friday 3rd January 2020

FEBRUARY HALF TERM

Monday 17th Feb to

Fri 21st Feb

EASTER HOLIDAYS 2020

Monday 6th April to

Friday 17th April

MAY DAY (changed date)

Friday 8th May

FAMILY LEARNING COURSES - FREE

We are looking to book some courses for the next academic year and are wondering what courses you might be interested in. Have a look below and fill in the attached slip or email me at lorraine.boddy@seely.nottingham.sch.uk to indicate what you are interested in and the times you are available.

All the courses are enjoyable, learning in a relaxed, fun, non-judgemental and practical way..... plus free gifts every week! And a reward at the end of the course for full attendance.

Creche available if needed.

- **Feel Good Families** – (8 weeks x 2.5 hours) parenting skills for adults only. Find out the 10 secrets of successful and enjoyable parenting. Help your children make healthy choices about how they behave. Learn how to talk with your children about drugs. Learn some stress management techniques. Learn more about your children's Health & Well-Being. Pamper yourself with some Aromatherapy.
- **Family SEAL** – (8 weeks x 2.5 hours) parents learn how to support their children's behaviour for learning. Learn in a fun and relaxed way how to support your child's behaviour for learning, including getting in the right mood for learning, how to be motivated to learn, developing an 'I can' attitude, how to make friends and keep them, good social skills for teamwork, communication, problem solving and many others. (Adults with children joining for the last part of each session)
- **Family SEAL** (4 weeks x 2.5 hours) As above, and the school can choose which aspects they want to include especially. (Adults with children joining for the last part of each session)
- **Family Cyberwise Workshop** – (2 hours workshop) - an introduction to helping parents to keep themselves and their children safe online, including setting parental controls, and some very useful sites for parents. (Adults only or Families together)
- **Cyber Heroes** (4 weeks x 2.5 hours) helping parents to keep themselves and their children safe online and using technology to develop other hobbies besides using the internet. (Adults and children join for the last part of each session)
- **Robots and Coding** (4 weeks x 2.5 hours) – using Coding Apps to control robots and Lego – helping parents keep up with what their children learn in school. (Adults only or Families together)
- **Family Fortunes** (4 weeks x 2.5 hours) - designed to build financial capability and support children and parents to develop positive money habits. (Adults only or Families together)
- **Family SEAL for Transition** (6 weeks x 2.5 hours) Aimed at supporting parents and children to make a happy and successful transfer from Year 6 to secondary school. This can be delivered in the primary school but it is most successful if the secondary school can host it. Explore ways parents can support their anxious children or children with special educational needs – or any children who might find the move extra stressful for any reason. (Children and parents work together for the majority of the course.)

Name of Parent _____

Name of Child / ren _____

Please circle which courses you are interested in

Feel Good Families
Cyber Heroes
Family SEAL for Transition

Family SEAL
Robots and Computing

Family Cyberwise
Family Fortune

I would require a crèche (please circle) YES / NO

I am available on these days / times

Volunteers Needed: Can you help?

111th Scouts is in urgent need of recruiting more volunteers to lead or assist with our Beaver, Cub and Scout troops.

All our groups meet at Sherwood Methodist Church on the corner of Mansfield Road/Devon Drive.

- * Beavers (6-8 years) meet Tuesdays at 6-7pm
- * Cubs (8-10 years) meet Tuesdays 6.45-8.15pm
- * Scouts (10-14.5 years) meet Mondays, 7.30-9pm.

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We have experienced leaders running these groups but we are very keen to recruit additional volunteers to ensure a good balance of adults to young people, and to strengthen our overall team capacity.

We can offer:

- * good support from current, experienced leaders in shaping and running the groups
- * free online training to develop skills recognised by employers
- * DBS check

What we are looking for:

regular commitment to lead/assist at weekly sessions which follow school terms

enthusiasm to encourage young people through a range of activity badges.

This is a great opportunity for young people, adults, working professionals and recent retirees. It's fun, inspiring and a valuable way for a wide range of people to bring their time and skills to benefit the wider community.

Please do contact me to get involved, discuss in more detail and/or arrange a visit to observe a session!

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IMPORTANT: Dietary Requirements information required: Nottingham City Catering have a NEW form which parents / carers of children with ANY special dietary requirements and/or allergies will need to complete please.

Please can you come to the school office for a form to complete and return ASAP, or download the form directly from the news article on the school website from 11.7.19. You can print/complete at home and return to us via email if that is more convenient. *Please email completed forms to admin@seely.nottingham.sch.uk.*

If you have provided this information before to school please **DO** complete it again as there is more detailed information required on these forms to assist catering with their procedures.