



SEATON ST. PAUL'S C OF E JUNIOR SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

6th JANUARY 2023

Welcome back to everyone! We hope that you had a lovely Christmas and we wish you a very happy and healthy new year! It's hard to believe that we are now at the beginning of another year - time goes by so quickly!

We have another busy term ahead of us and we will keep parents updated with any events and diary dates via our weekly newsletter. Our newsletters are produced every Friday and will be available to read on our school website, Facebook page & on Class Dojo. Please take the time to read our newsletters each week as they do contain lots of important information. Thank you.

Swimming Lessons – 3Na

Children in 3Na will begin their course of swimming lessons next week. They will go swimming every day next week and will need to bring the appropriate kit to school each day.

A separate letter was sent home earlier in the week with more details.

Breakfast Club Games

If anyone has any old board games or card games (Top Trumps/Match Attack), we would be very grateful of any of these for our Breakfast Club. Please send any donations into school with your child. Many thanks in advance.

Times Table Rockstars

This term we would like to encourage children to use Times Table Rockstars more regularly at home. Children regularly work on their times tables in school but it is important for them to practice at home too, in order to retain this important skill.

The National Curriculum expectations are that most children can:

- By the end of Year 2 recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables.
- By the end of Year 3 recall and use the multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables.
- By the end of Year 4 Recall and use multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to 12 x 12. In year 5 and Year 6 children are increasing their rapid recall of all multiplication and division facts up to 12 x 12.

As a school, we have purchased Times Table Rockstars logins for every child, to support their learning. Please encourage your child to use this at home. Children can access Times Table Rockstars through the website or via apps. Just 7 minutes per day will make a huge difference to your child's rapid recall of these facts.

'Make Do & Mend'

We are looking for any donations of old clothing, anything with holes or anything that you don't mind us cutting up! (They will obviously not be returned!) Children in Year 6 will be taking part in a 'Make Do & Mend' project. They will be remodelling old clothing items into something new! If you have any old clothing items, please send into school with your child. Thank you.

Smart Watches

Please note that Smart watches should not be worn in school, even if the notifications are turned off. Smart watches are a distraction in class. Smart watches will be treated in the same way as mobile phones and will need to be brought to the school office for safe keeping until the end of the day. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

School Website/New Logo

We are now in the process of developing a new website and staff are busy working on this at the moment. We hope to have it up and running as soon as possible, but please feel free to have a look at our journey so far!

As you will see at the top of our newsletter, we now have a new school logo, which now incorporates our links with the church and has new fresh feel. We will gradually phase this logo on to our school uniform, but this will obviously take time.

Snack Time

Our 'Free Fruit' deliveries will begin again next week and from Tuesday onwards, all children will be provided with a free piece of fruit every morning break time. We will no longer be selling drinks at break time, so please ensure that children bring a bottle of water each day, which can be re-filled. Children no longer need to bring any snack money to school.

Lunchshop Reminder

This week we have seen an increase in lunches not being pre-ordered at home. The kitchen staff plan their meals in the morning based on the numbers that have ordered. Children who haven't ordered a meal cannot be guaranteed to receive the meal of their choice. Please can we stress the importance of meals being ordered at home by parents. Thank you.

Forthcoming Diary Dates

| EVENT | DATE & TIME |
|------------------|--|
| Swimming for 3Na | Every day w/c 9 th January |
| Swimming for 3Ni | Every day w/c 16 th January |
| Swimming for 4D | Every day w/c 23 rd January |
| Swimming for 4C | Every day w/c 30 th January |

PE Days for the w/c 9th January are as follows:

| YEAR GROUP | PE DAYS |
|------------|--------------------|
| Year 3 | Tuesday only |
| Year 4 | Monday & Wednesday |
| Year 5 | Monday & Wednesday |
| Year 6 | Tuesday & Friday |

Have a lovely weekend! 😊

Kindest regards

Mrs Lynn Carini
Headteacher