



Spring 1: February 2025

# Sealand Primary School Newsletter

## Key diary dates for this half term:

**12/02/25:**

*Attendance Review -  
with Local Authority*

**w/c 17/02/25:**

*Year 3 Music lessons  
commence (grant  
funded)*

**18/02/25:**

*Y4 Class Assembly*

**21/02/25:**

*Break for Half Term*

**03/03/25:**

**TRAINING DAY**

**04/03/25:**

*Pupils return to school  
– St. David's Day/  
Eisteddfod*

**11/04/25:**

*Break for Easter*

**We will inform you of  
further dates as they  
arise this term.  
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*Dear Parent/Guardian*

What a busy start to the term it has been for 2025 and as many of you know we have been significantly impacted by illness for both pupils and staff within our school community. Fingers crossed now for a settled run up to half term and then Easter.

### **Staffing Update:**

As you already know Mr. Davies has been appointed as substantive headteacher commencing Monday 28th April. Mr. Davies is working with governors and local authority representatives to appoint a new deputy headteacher to commence post in April and final interviews are being held next week. Mr. Davies will be in writing to you by half term to share the outcome of the appointment process.

Mr. Davies will also be planning staffing arrangements for the summer term for both Year 5 and Nursery classes and those will be shared early next term.

We also say a fond farewell to Mrs. Bull and Mrs. Taylor who are leaving their roles at Sealand School this month. We thank them for the valuable contributions they have made to our pupils and school community over the years and wish them both well in the future.

Mr. Jones, our interim caretaker, has settled in well and school will shortly be advertising for a permanent caretaker to commence role in April.

### **Mr. Roberts and Saker:**

Mr. Roberts, a retired headteacher, and his therapy dog Saker are in school every Thursday. At the moment Mr. Roberts and Saker are based in Y6 and Y3 groups although the rest of the school enjoy Saker's company at various points in the day. We all love Thursdays now.

### **CCTV:**

At some point during the Spring term CCTV will be installed at varied points inside and outside the school building.

### **Looking ahead - key dates:**

- Parent/Teacher Meetings on March 4th and 5th
- Year 6 residential visit to Glanllyn, Bala, between March 10th and 12th.
- Year 5 residential visit to Min-y-Don, Barmouth, between March 17th and 19th.

*Kind Regards,*

*Mrs. Parry, Mr. Davies and staff*

## **IMPORTANT:**

<b>After School Clubs Spring Term 2025 Tuesday 14th January until Thursday 10th April</b>		
<b>Day</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Year Groups</b>
Tuesday 3:15pm - 4:00pm	Badminton Club: P.E. required Mr Seddon	Years 5 and 6
Wednesday 3:15pm - 4:00pm	Digital Club: Miss Rodber	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6
Wednesday 3:15pm - 4:00pm	Yoga Club: Miss Furnivall	Years 1 and 2
Wednesday 3:15pm - 4:00pm	Games Club: Miss Johnson	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6
Thursday 3:15pm - 4:00pm	Construction Club Miss Probert and Mrs Brown	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

- **Clubs will not run on Parent/Teacher evenings - March 4th and 5th 2025**
- **Clubs will end for the Spring Term on Thursday - 10th April 2025**

Please ensure your child knows which club they are attending on which day, they should be ready to attend club at 3.15pm and know who is collecting them. Staff run clubs on a voluntary basis and our thanks to them for organising the after school activities for our children.

Children who do not have the required kit for their club may not be able to attend the club if an alternative club is not available - we will contact you in the event of this happening.

We ask that all children are collected at the end of the club sessions from their usual collection points. Please note: **Children will not be allowed to walk home by themselves after clubs.**

All staff will try to give a week's notice prior to cancelling a club however due to training and school events this is not always possible therefore please check your emails/messages for club cancellations.

## **WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TO DATE from 01/09/2024:**

**Attendance: 88.5%**

**Authorised Absences: 9.3%**

**Unauthorised absences: 2.2%**

**Attendance whole school target: 95%**

- Please note that improving pupil attendance rates is an ongoing school, local and national priority.
- Attendance is monitored monthly by our local authority attendance officer and where there are concerns with regard to persistent non-attendance appropriate actions are undertaken by the school and local authority in line with policy and practice.
- Late attendance and punctuality rates are also monitored as causes disruption to learning.

## **Congratulations and da iawn to:**

Our 54 pupils who received a **GOLD** attendance award in December for Autumn 2 half term

Our 50 pupils who received a **GREEN** attendance award in December for Autumn 2 half term