

December 2024

Seagrave Village Primary School Information



Dear Seagrave VPS Families,

As we approach the festive season, I would like to take a moment to express my thanks for an amazing first term. I hope you and your children have enjoyed the many events, fun, and learning experiences here at Seagrave.

Merry Christmas

Updates on Learning at Seagrave

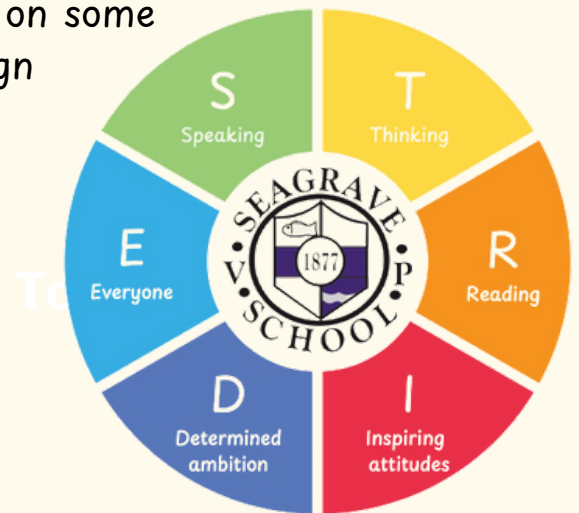
We are excited to announce the implementation of a new sequential, knowledge-rich curriculum called STRIDE, designed specifically for our amazing Seagrave pupils. More information about the STRIDE curriculum can be found on our [website](#). Next term, the children will embark on some exciting learning journeys focused on Art & Design Technology:

Class 3: Terrific Terrariums

Class 2: Race to Formula 1

Class 1: Welcome to the Wonderful World of Julia Donaldson

EYFS: The Big Wide World



Additionally, we have introduced new values to our school named the **Seagrave Steps**. Each value is represented by an animal, embodying qualities that we believe will help every pupil achieve excellence in their learning journey. We have been exploring these values during our weekly story assemblies, and I am delighted to see how much the children have embraced them. To reinforce these values, we have a class set of teddies representing each Step, which are awarded throughout lesson to pupils who exemplify these qualities.



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We have transformed our reading approach at Seagrave. In EYFS and KS1, we will continue with the Read Write Inc. phonics scheme, we have invested in training and more phonics reading books - these will start to come home in the New year. For Year 2 and above, we are excited to launch our Reading Ninja approach, featuring three weekly whole-class reading sessions focused on different strategies. Student feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. Additionally, we are working on fundraising to update our library space.

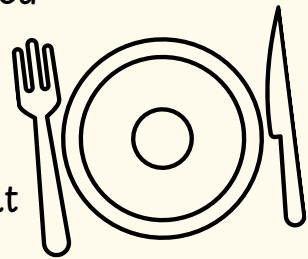


A quick update about homework. Starting now, homework will focus solely on spellings, reading, and maths facts (times tables and number bonds). Research shows that parental support in these areas significantly improves student outcomes! In class, we have 'Strive for 5' reading jars. Students who read five times a week earn a raffle ticket for a chance to pick a new book. KS2 pupils can access Times Table Rock Stars at home, and teachers will share weekly spellings. We hope this new approach is supportive and manageable for your family. Thank you for your continued support!



Changes to School Dinners

Beginning 7th January, children will order their meal choices in class with their teacher. This change aims to save families time and reduce stress associated with online meal ordering. Picture menus will be sent home for you to discuss with your child, helping them make informed meal choices.



Important Spring Dates

Spring term dates can be found on our [website](#) and are attached at the bottom of this letter. We have another busy and exciting term ahead!

Thank you once again from Seagrave VPS. Your support is invaluable; without it, our school could not thrive as it does. We appreciate all your help and effort. Mrs Culling



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Spring Term Planner

JANUARY

- 6th INSET - school closed to children
- 7th - Children return to school
- 13th SATs Information Evening Year 6 only 3.30pm
- 20th Beaumanor residential Parent Information Meeting
- 24th Times Table Rock Stars Inspire day - dress like a rock star!
- 24th - Parent Math's Breakfast KS2
- 29th - Chinese New Year Inspire afternoon
- 31st - Parent Maths Breakfast KS1

FEBRUARY

- 10th PGL Residential Parent Information meeting
- 11th Safer Internet Day Inspire afternoon
- 14th Class 1 Class Assembly
- 14th - Last day of Half Term
- 24th - Children return to school

MARCH

- 3rd - 5th Beaumanor residential Class 2
- 4th Shrove Tuesday
- 5th Heights and weights check EYFS and Y6
- 6th World book day - dress as your favourite book character
- 10th Science Week
- 26th World Maths Day

APRIL

- 2nd/3rd Spring Term Parents' Meetings
- 3rd Rocksteady Concert
- 4th Easter Disco
- 7th - 11th Class 3 residential PGL
- 11th Class 2 Class Assembly
- 11th Last Day of Term

**Summer Term Starts
28th April**

We endeavour to keep all dates as stated but will alert you ASAP if this changes.

Class trips will be announced by letter and Dojo.

Timings will be confirmed closer to events!