



### Pupil Testing Week

Well done to all Year 6 and Year 2 who completed their SATs tests this week. A special thank you to all the staff who have supported the pupils this week; I know that the pupils appreciate your kindness.

Also to all the parent/carers who have supported their children at home. We are super proud of all the pupils for their hard work, resilience and perseverance.



### Exciting Learning in Year 1!

This week, Year 1 have been caring for the sunflowers they planted, by watering them everyday. They have also been learning interesting facts about the different animals who live under the sea and about the 5 different oceans in the world; Pacific, Atlantic, Indian, Arctic and Southern Oceans.

The pupils have also been using their artist skills to create their under the sea pictures. They used pastels, chalks and paints to create their image. They will be displayed in the Qube windows next week, so why not come and see them?

### The Importance of Physical Education

All pupils in school take part in regular physical education sessions and school have invested a very large proportion of their sports premium budget on providing pupils with high quality and specially trained instructors. Feedback from the pupils has been very positive and they thoroughly enjoy the sessions with Max.

We have, however, an increasing number of pupils who do not bring their own PE kit into school. Although school have a small amount of kit that can be borrowed in exceptional circumstances, it is the responsibility of parent/carers to provide their child with a PE kit.

#### PE kits should consist of:

**Indoor kit-** black/navy shorts, a plain white t-shirt and black pumps.

**Outdoor kit (in colder weather)-** black/navy tracksuit, white t-shirt and trainers.

Micropore tape if your child has their ears pierced.

**PE kits should remain in school for the full half term unless they need to be washed.**

Thank you to all the parent/carers who always provide their children with correct uniform, sports kits and equipment for school.

#### Exciting News...

The pupils have all been introduced to the 1 kilometre a day challenge. This involves the pupils walking, jogging or running 1km each day at school. Mr Battye and Max have worked together to set up an area in the KS2 playground for the pupils to use for the challenge and signage is also up to guide the pupils on the number of laps they need to do to achieve this goal. The pupils will be recording their laps in back in their classrooms and there will be a prize for the class who ranks up the highest number of laps.

**Remember you've got to be in it to win it!**

### Safeguarding all our pupils and staff at Siddal Primary

We have had a number of cases of a sickness bug since returning from the Easter break. In order to safeguard all pupils and staff it is essential that pupils remain off school for a period of at least 48 hours after the last episode of sickness. If your child becomes ill at school you will be asked to collect them and they should not return until they have been clear of sickness for 48 hours.

Please help to minimise the spread of bugs by respecting this policy.



### Safety in the Sun

Please ensure during warmer weather that your child has a hat with their name in to protect them and put sun cream on before they come to school in a morning. Sun cream can be sent into school, in a named bottle, for their use only and to be applied by themselves.

**Always send in a waterproof coat, as we can never predict our English weather!**

## Honours Awards 17.5.19

	Hard Worker	Special Pupil
Reception	Lucas Cummin	Matilda Smith
YEAR 1	Leo McAllister	Cameron Walsh
YEAR 2	Louie Crossley	Shakira Forgathy
YEAR 3	Gracie Anderson	Wiktorija Gawryluk
YEAR 4	Eva-Lily Lumsden	Freddie Taylor Farren
YEAR 5	Owen Cartwright	Grace Holgate
YEAR 6	Gracie Healey	All Year 6

### Safety in the school grounds

For the safety of our children and staff at Siddal, the pathway through the school is closed from 9.10am until 2.45pm. The pupils in the EYFS use the outdoor area each day and this involves the gates being locked open and permanent access being needed. If you need to access to the school during these times, then please use the school driveway and main entrance to access the school building.

Can I also remind parent/carers that this is a no smoking site. Smoking, including the use of E-cigarettes is strictly prohibited anywhere on the school grounds.

Thank you for you support.

### School Uniform

Please refer to the school website to ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform and shoes all year. KS1/EYFS need to wear the green polo t-shirts with grey dress, trouser or shorts. KS2 pupils can wear the green polo t-shirts or white shirt **with school tie**, grey dress, trouser or shorts.

All children should wear black school shoes or whole black trainers (with no coloured soles or marking on them).

**Summer dresses can be blue or green only.**

Please can I also remind parents/carers about choosing appropriate hair cuts for their child. Please save the hair saving designs for the school holidays. Thank you for your continued support.

### Whole School Attendance and Punctuality

Whole School Attendance: 97.1%  
**This is above the Government National average of 96%.**

Thank you to everyone who has been at school every day and on time. Pupils' punctuality has also significantly improved this half term.

	Attendance	Punctuality
1st	Gorillas 99.7%	Gorillas 100%
2nd	Year 2 99.3%	Polar Bears 99.6%
3rd	Orangutans 97.7%	Orangutans 99.5%
4th	Pandas 96.6%	Rhinos 98%
5th	Rhinos 96.%	Pandas 97.9%
6th	Polar Bears 95.4%	Elephants 97.6%
7th	Elephants 93.2%	Year 2 97.5%

### Summer Term Dates so far... Please keep checking for updates.

21st May- Year 6 Treat afternoon  
24th May- **TEACHER TRAINING DAY SCHOOL CLOSED**  
4th June- Year 1 trip to Blackpool  
6th June- Class Photographs  
W/c 10th June- Year 1 phonic screening check  
11th June- New Reception/Nursery parents evening  
12th June- Police Van visit to school  
21st June- Year 6 bikeability  
26th/27th June- Year 6 performance  
28th June- Year 6 bikeability  
28th June- Non-Uniform Day (Summer fair tombola prizes)  
1st-3rd July- Year 6 London residential  
3rd July- Police stranger danger talks  
4th July- Summer Fair 1.30-3pm  
5th July- **TRANSITION DAY**  
8th/11th- Year 6 bikeability  
10th July- Meet the staff event 6pm  
12th July- annual school reports  
15th July- Reports dropping 3.10-4.30pm  
18th July- End of year awards 9am  
19th July- Year 6 Leavers assembly 9am  
19th July- **break up for Summer**

Please note the term dates and book your family holidays during the breaks.  
Holidays in term time may result in a Local Authority fine!