

# SEATON HOUSE

## NEWSLETTER



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It has been lovely to welcome back more of the children this week. We have had almost all the Early Years children in for their sessions and they have clearly enjoyed meeting the staff and their friends. There has been lots of new activities and learning taking place both indoors and out. Form VI and those Form I girls who have returned, have thoroughly enjoyed seeing their peers again, alongside engaging in some new Art and PE lessons. The girls have been very good about remembering the new hygiene routines and we have been so impressed how they have taken everything in their stride.

On staffing news, I am delighted to announce that Mrs. Simpson is pregnant and expecting a baby in the Autumn. This is why her lessons are continuing to be streamed with Mrs. Budgett working on site in the classroom. We are in the process of appointing a member of staff for her Maternity cover. Mr. Colomer has started on site this week and has taught all of the children in groups this week. It was a particular treat for the girls on main site as their PE lessons take place on our new lawn (the former bowling green)!

We have ordered the planners for next year and chose a combination of children's work to adorn the front and back covers. Congratulations to Orlaith and Miriam whose designs we have combined to make the front cover and to Emily and Ella whose work will be on the back cover. Thank you to all the girls who took the time to create artwork for the planners, it is very much appreciated.

Looking towards next academic year, we do not yet know what the plans will be and are awaiting further direction from the government as to what year groups will be allowed in school. I am expecting that all primary aged children will be back in September, but this will obviously depend on how the situation develops. If this is the case, we are working on plans that will allow all year groups to be back on site being taught in person by teaching staff during the school day. We would therefore hope that even if we have to continue to teach in half classes, that all the children will be able to attend Monday to Friday. However, it may not be possible to operate all the wraparound care elements if we are still having to stagger timings of the day. As soon as I have further information and clarity on this I will of course let you know. Please rest assured that we will continue to do our best to ensure that pupils and staff are first and foremost safe, alongside ensuring we deliver skills and knowledge that enable the children to make the most of their potential and prepare them for the next stage of their learning journey.



Let us trust that with everything that is going on in the world at the moment, we will move to that place of Peace.

# Achievements

Headteacher Awards have been given to the following girls:

Form III – Tasneem for her excellent PowerPoint on the deforestation of rainforests, Anna for her letter from a Bronze Age girl, Emily and Ella for their well written and presented Stone Age booklets, and Anya for her hard work at home and excellent Rainmaker.

Asmara FIII - For her superb setting description (below)

*Laura lived in a fancy hotel, with almost everything she wanted. The smell of the sweet chicken drifted into her nose, Laura was ravenous. The room sparkled like a disco ball as the sun hit the chandelier in the centre of the room. Laura could feel her soft pillow rubbing against her chubby cheek. The sound of tranquil music made her want to stretch out on her couch. Suddenly she remembered her favourite show was on TV. She sat bolt upright as still as a figurine and switched the TV on.*

FIV - Chloe J for her wonderful plant picture, Ishani for the most beautiful painting in Geography, Holly and Daisy for their beautifully illustrated and written timeline on Boudicca.

Form V – Annah for her wonderful booklet on what to do in the event of a flood and her excellent fantasy story entitled “The Silver Letter”, Shivaani for her great poster on flooding, Anya V and Sahar for completing all the tasks really well this week.

F VI – Isabella for the Snow Leopard, Amelia for The Language of Guinea Pig, Sydney, Isabelle, Arissa and Leona who wrote poems based on Russian Doll, Isabelle for her lovely poster advertising Mayan vases, Maeve for an awesome Geography poster, Sydney for a great poster and booklet on flooding and Amelie for her booklet on flooding.

Well done to Kitty, Sophia B and Jemimah FII have all been working hard on their times tables during home schooling and have earned their Times Table badges – an excellent achievement girls.

Housepoint Certificates were awarded to:

FI - Annabelle, Rebecca, Shreya, Shriya, Vivienne and Dulcie

FII – Sophia B, Emma and Harriet

Form III - Emily, Ella, Shreya & Asmara

Form V – Orlaith, Shivaani and Delara

Form VI – Isabelle

## Welcome to Mr Colomer

Welcome to Mr Colomer who joined us this week as our new PE Teacher. The girls enjoyed their first PE lesson with him.



## Other News

In Early Years, the girls enthusiastically used our washing station to wash down the bikes after they have used them. They have also been using different objects to create bubbles.



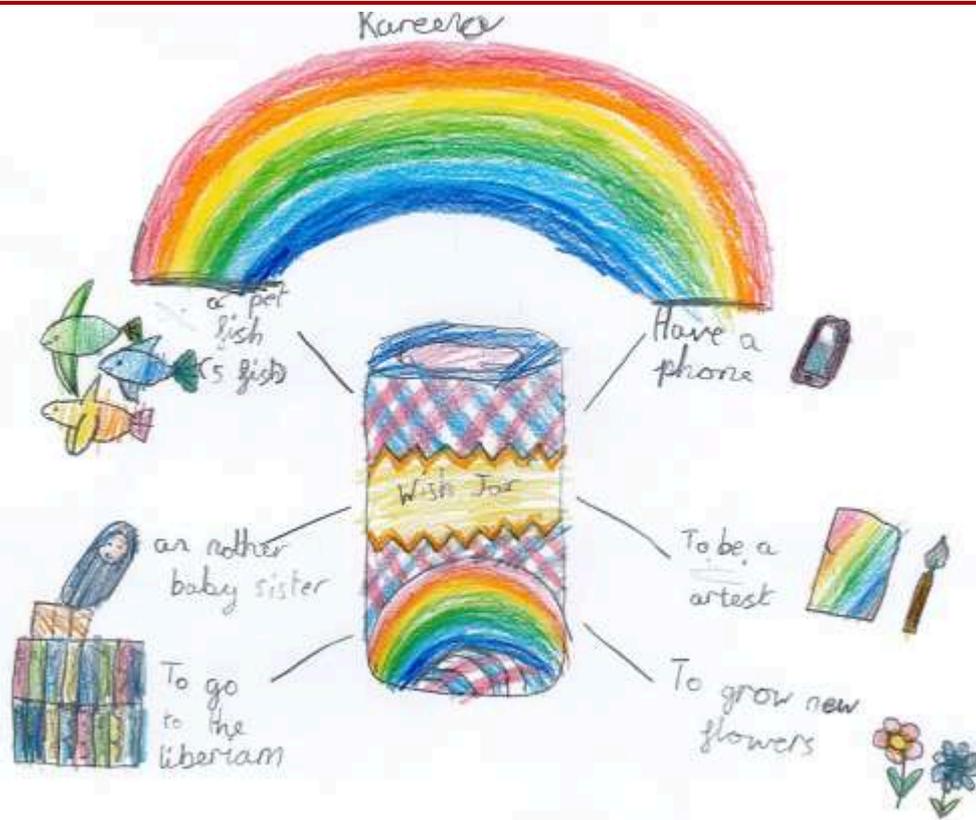
Harriet (Form II) and Kirsten (Nursery) became official world record holders during half term! They took part in an online art lesson with Rob Biddulph and were part of a world breaking lesson for the number of students in an art lesson at one time. They are seen here with their drawings and their record breaker certificates. Well done girls, what an exciting achievement!



Sahar in FV also took part in this lesson



Shivaani did a tribute video for the key worker's and NHS staff along with her Indian classical team.



Emma Form II created a wonderful Wish Jar.

## Eid Celebration

Delara FV waited for this day ever since we have entered the month of Ramadan; she broke her fast with prayers and gave her respect to this holy month. Delara had taken extra care of her mother while she was fasting and helped her cook Iftari and food.

On last day of Ramadan, her mother made henna designs on her hands.





Georgina Form V continues to delight us with wonderful pieces of art. Well done and thank you.



It was lovely to see Form VI back with us this week 😊

## Useful Links:

An interesting link which could be used as a starting point for discussion around events in the news with regard to race.

[https://www.embracerace.org/resources/26-childrens-books-to-support-conversations-on-race-racism-resistance?fbclid=IwAR0-jLeds\\_bGIPE1H9aQAQN6FKIJBu3R8Sjw9lwrB6d6jbDLnBieuyVwVQ0](https://www.embracerace.org/resources/26-childrens-books-to-support-conversations-on-race-racism-resistance?fbclid=IwAR0-jLeds_bGIPE1H9aQAQN6FKIJBu3R8Sjw9lwrB6d6jbDLnBieuyVwVQ0)

Ideas and support about keeping your child safe online at home.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Support-tools/support-your-child-at-home/>

## Birthdays

Happy birthday to:

R – Diya

FII – Sophia T

FIII- Maiya

FIV - Gabriella

FVI - Maeve