



Sea Mills Primary Newsletter

19th January 2026



Dear Families

It's been a rainy week, but the children at Sea Mills have been bringing their sunny attitude to class. We have been having a big focus on handwriting across the school and it has been wonderful to see the pride children are taking with their work.

We are taking part in the Leaf Trust Literacy Festival next term and ahead of that we have a visit from author Yassmin Abdel-Magied on 3rd February. She will be holding an assembly for the school and a workshop with year 4. She will also have books for sale at the end of the school day. Great for children who love an adventure story (her latest book: <https://www.waterstones.com/book/silverbrook/yassmin-abdel-magied/9781444934625>)

Wishing you a great week, with warmest best wishes

Andrew Kinnear

Key Dates

Calendar dates for the year ahead can be found here:

[Diary - Sea Mills Primary School](#)

January	27th - Reception height and weight checks.
February	2nd - Level 2 Bikeability Group 1- year 5/6 (all day) 3rd - Level 2 Bikeability Group 1- year 5/6 (am only) & Level 1 Bikeability PM only (year 4 only) 3rd - Year 4 Author visit & whole school assembly (see above) signed books for sale! 4th - Governor Development Day 6th - Number Day - children can wear a number! 9th - Level 2 Bikeability Group 2- year 5/6 (all day) 10th - Safer Internet Day 10th - Level 2 Bikeability Group 2- year 5/6 (am only) 12th - CHANGE OF DATE Year 1 Class Assembly 9am 13th - Last day of term 14th - 22nd - Half Term 23rd - INSET Day - school closed for pupils 24th - First day of school for pupils

Notices

Team Sea Mills - Uniform helps!

Please ensure your child has school uniform, including for PE. Once one child wears their branded top, then others start to do the same! It is helpful for all children to feel the same and not worry about what they are wearing. There is good quality, free uniform in the foyer if your child has lost their jumper (again!). Please also write your name on your child's jumper label - it makes matching jumpers to children at the end of lunchtime so much easier!

Number Day - 6th February - wear a number!

It's 'Number Day' on Friday 6th February. The children will be taking part in a range of maths themed challenges over the day and are invited to wear a number that day, for example, on the back of a sports shirt or pinned to a sleeve.

Woodwind Lessons

Would your child like to learn the flute, recorder, clarinet or saxophone? Please contact fiona-thompsonmusic@gmail.com for more info or to sign up. Individual or group lessons are available. More information here about all our instrumental lessons: [Instrumental Lessons - Sea Mills Primary School](#) or come and ask the office.

Scooters & helmets

At lunchtime on Monday and Friday, scooters are provided for children to play with if they choose. Following guidance from the Children's Play Advisory Service (CPAS), we don't provide helmets as wearing helmets that are ill-fitting is inadvisable as is wearing helmets on playground equipment (if children continued to wear them). If you would like your child to wear a helmet on those days please let the class teacher know and provide the helmet on those days. We will ensure they only wear them when riding a scooter.

Spring clear out?

We are looking for small word play items - figures, dinosaurs, animals - as well as wooden rail-ways track, pogo sticks and scooters to help make our lunchtimes fun! Please bring any donations to the office.

3pm Pick up - only by arrangement

A small number of children are picked up early for family reasons (for example transport). This is in place through prior arrangement. Please don't request an early pick up without arranging this ahead of time as it is disruptive for story time at the end of the day and is unmanageable for Mrs Papantoniou.

Smoking at the end of the lane

Please avoid smoking or vaping at the end of the lane on the approach to school. Whilst this is a public space it would be very much appreciated if this is smoke free so children don't need to walk through this on their way in.