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SEAMER & IRTON CP SCHOOL ~ DENISON AVENUE~ SEAMER ~ SCARBOROUGH

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Dear Parent/Carer,

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I hope that you found the parents evening consultations informative and helpful last night. There are still appointment times available for next Tuesday 5 October, and you can book these by ringing the school office.

FLOWER BEDS Mrs Brining has been working incredibly hard with the children to make our new flower beds look amazing! They have done a great job, as you can see.



GOVERNORS' ANNUAL REPORT The school's governance board is responsible for the quality of education we provide. I have included their Annual Governance Statement with today's letter for your information.

SCHOOL DINNERS Week beginning 4 October

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Quesadilla & Rice, Veggie Pasta Sweetcorn & Green Beans, Sliced Bread	Pasta Bolognaise Cauli & Broccoli Cheese Mixed Greens & Carrots Garlic Bread	Sausage Vegetable Casserole Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Pots Broccoli & Swede	Cheese & Tomato Pizza, Potato Smiles Baked Beans, Peas Veggie Fajita	Fish Fingers, Cheesy Pastry Chips, Carrots & Peas Pumpkin Seed Bread
Pasta Bar	Pasta Bar	Pasta Bar	Pasta Bar	Pasta Bar
Cheese Sandwich	Ham Sandwich	Tuna Sandwich	Cheese Sandwich	Egg Sandwich
Sultana Sponge & Custard	Fruit or Yoghurt	Fruit Mousse	Apple Turnover & Ice Cream	Fruit Shortcake

PARENTING COURSES AVAILABLE

North Yorkshire County Council have PRE-PAID for every parent and carer in North Yorkshire to access a range of courses for parents/carers. These can be accessed using this link and access code.

∅ www.inourplace.co.uk

∅ Access code: **NYFAMILIES**

- Understanding your pregnancy, birth, labour and your baby
- Understanding your baby
- Understanding your child (0-19+ yrs, main course)
- Understanding your child with additional needs (0-19+ yrs, main course)
- Understanding your child's feelings (taster course)
- Understanding your child's brain (short course)
- Understanding your brain (for teenagers only!)
- Understanding your child's mental health and wellbeing (accompanies UYC and UYCAD)

MSA VACANCY We have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisory Assistant. Please contact the school office for details.

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 5 October – Parents' evening

Wednesday 13 October – Individual photographs

Friday 22 October – school closes for half term

Sunday 31 October - Deadline for secondary school applications

Monday 1 November – School re-opens

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

Jonathan Wanless
Headteacher

Annual Governance Statement for the Governing Body of Seamer and Irton CP School

In accordance with the Government's requirement for all governing bodies, the three core strategic functions of Seamer and Irton CP School Governing Body are:

- 1. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction**
- 2. Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils**
- 3. Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent**

Governance arrangements

The governing Body of Seamer and Irton CP School was reconstituted in 2015 and is now made up of 13 members.

The Governing Body comprises of the Head Teacher, a local authority governor, six co-opted governors, four parent governors and one staff governor – thirteen in total.

The full governing body meets six times each academic year.

Attendance record of governors

A record is kept by the clerk to the governing body, of governors' attendance at meetings, details of attendance can be found on our website in the Governors page.

Meetings need to be 'quorate' to ensure that decisions can be made.

The work we have done on our committees and in the governing body meetings

The Governing Body receives termly reports on pupil progress and attainment. It monitors the progress of whole key stages as well as significant groups e.g. pupil premium, boys, SEND and compares school data to national levels. It has responsibility for the financial position of the school and receives regular budget monitoring reports.

This year the Governing Body has monitored the work of the school in the following areas:

- Challenged the school on the content of the website.
- Monitored the school's risk assessments.
- Discussed ways of holding the school to account virtually while Covid-19 restrictions are in place.
- Monitored staffing arrangements at the school.
- Monitored the catch-up plan to ensure the funding is well allocated and effective.
- Monitored pupil progress.
- Ensured all children eligible to receive Free School Meals were able to access them.
- Monitored the impact of Covid-19 measures on the pupils, including their attendance, parents electing to home educate and access to Free School Meals.
- Checked that the Health and Safety policy was fit for purpose by triangulating with the Health and Safety check report.
- Monitored the budget with close regard of the impact of Covid-19 special measures.
- Monitored the home learning provision at the school.

- Reviewed safeguarding measures implemented by the school during lockdown.
- Discussed benchmarking, with special regard to staff costs.
- Monitored the implementation of Covid-19 lateral tests implementation at the school.
- Monitored the school budget to ensure money is well spent.
- Completed a remote learning audit.
- Challenged the school on safeguarding under lockdown to ensure all children were safe.
- Formed a working party to increase safety at school by ensuring CCTV was operational.
- Approved the start budget and checked that the school had an appropriate plan to allocate it for the benefit of the children at the school.
- Reviewed the results of "Growing Up in North Yorkshire" survey to benchmark the school against other schools in North Yorkshire.
- Ensured that the Sex and Relationships education followed the recent practice, the curriculum, and that it was communicated to the parents.
- Monitored the recommendations from the Health and Safety check;
- Created a working party to investigate academisation opportunities;
- Decided to raise the price of school dinners to ensure budget stability;
- Examined the quotes for playground upgrade to ensure best value for money;
- Put a travel plan in place to improve road safety for pupils;
- Took part in a "deep dive" exercise to ensure quality of education for all pupils;
- Challenged the school on safeguarding procedures around the use of social media;

Approved minutes of Governing Body meetings are available on request from the school office.

Strategic Planning for the future

In 2021/22 the Governing Body will build on the link governor system to continue to monitor closely the work of the school in line with the Ofsted framework - quality of education, behaviour and attitudes, leadership and management, and personal development.

Monitor the school's safeguarding, H&S, equalities and SEND provision.

Ensure that the school has a comprehensive curriculum offer that demonstrates clear rigour, coherence, sequence, and scope.

There will be an in depth look at how maths is taught in the school and the progress pupils' make in this important subject.

The use of Pupil Premium funding will be analysed to ensure appropriate usage.

Consider the benefits of joining a multi-academy trust.

How to contact your governing body

Information about the school's governing body is available on the governors' page of the school's website. www.seamerirtonprimary.co.uk