SELE first SCHOOL

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Message from Mrs Milburn

Dear Parents and Carers,



On Wednesday at 11.00am, the whole school came together on the yard to mark Remembrance Day. Staff and children gathered to the sound of *The Last Post* before taking part in a two-minute silence. In school, children also reflected on the importance of Remembrance Day through assemblies and created poppies using a range of different materials.

Yesterday, we welcomed the return of our Class Assemblies. 4AS got us off to an energetic start with an excellent assembly, which ended with the whole class playing the Boomwhackers! Well done to all the children in 4AS, Mrs Annable, Mrs Smyth and Miss Taylor.

Next week, we say goodbye to Miss Taylor-Bird as she moves on to a full-time role in a local nursery. She has been an important part of many of our children's lives and has worked incredibly hard to contribute to the success of Sele School Club. We wish her every success in her new role. Good luck, Miss Taylor-Bird!

Have a great weekend,
Steph Milburn

Health and Safety Reminder

Before and after school, please ensure that children do not play in the bushes at the top of the yard. This area is beyond the yellow lines, which mark the boundaries of the safe play area. Staff do not allow children into this area during the school day.

We would be grateful if parents and carers could support us by reinforcing this message with their children. Thank you for your help in keeping everyone safe.

Anti-Bullying Week

This year, we will be marking anti-bullying week with discussions and activities from Monday 16 November to Friday 20 November.



On Friday 20 November, we will be holding an odd socks day to highlight how everyone is different and this is something to celebrate. Children can come into school on this day wearing odd socks with their school uniform.

Attendance Stars

Each week we share and celebrate the classes in school with the highest attendance. This weeks' top classes are:

1st place — 1P 2nd place - 3S 3rd place - 1R

Sele First Santa Dash 2026

The Sele First annual Santa Dash takes place this year on Friday 4 December. Children will run a festive course, with lots of excitement on the way round, marshalled by fantastic QEHS Sports Leaders and school staff. Reception and Nursery will complete the run on a shorter course.

All participants will be invited to wear a festive item - Santa hat, antlers, tinsel etc - to complete the run in! Parents and carers are invited to take part in the Santa Dash too!

Timings are KS2 - 2:00pm, KS1 - 2:15pm, Reception 2:25pm, Nursery - 2.40pm



Winter Clothing

As the weather gets colder, please ensure your child has a warm, waterproof coat each day for school, and a hat and gloves on cooler days. Please ensure all coats and accessories are labelled with your child's name.



4P Class Assembly

4P welcome parents and carers to their class assembly on Thursday 19 November at 9.30am in the school hall.

No food or drinks are to be brought into school.



Hexham Family Hubs - November and December



Please get in touch for more information about our groups, sessions & digital offer

Sign up for a group or session — SCAN ME

Online What's On Guide — SCAN ME

Parent Support & Skills

Workshops and discussions helping parents and carers strengthen relationships and support their children's wellbeing.

Togetherness	Free digital programme providing tools to support parents/carers & young people at each developmental stage **togetherness.co.uk** access code - **HADRIAN**
Sleep Workshop	Support & guidance available from trained sleep awareness practitioners
Dad Pad	The essential guide for new dads developed with the NHS
Dad Talk	Online workshop for dads, during pregnancy and beyond

Early Learning & Play

Fun and engaging sessions helping you support your children's learning and development through everyday activities.

Brilliant Babies	Specially designed supportive groups for families with young babies
Terrific Toddlers	Meet other families with toddlers at these social sessions with topical themes
Early Communicators	For children between 15-36 months who are experiencing some difficulties with their understanding and/or use of language
Stay & Play	Regular fun sessions, with no booking required

Young Peoples offer

Sessions for young people at the family hub

Family Chill Out	An after school drop in for all of the family to come along, get homework completed, stay and play for a while and enjoy fun activities and games. For children aged 5-11 and their families. Younger siblings welcome

Additional Needs &/or Disabilities

Supportive sessions for children and young people with additional needs, and their families, to connect, relax, and share experiences.

Empowering Parents & Carers Programme	Supportive wellbeing course for parents/carers of children with additional needs and/or disabilities
SEND Family Chill Out	Regular relaxed after school sessions for all of the family. Parents/Carers are required to stay for the session
Calm Stay & Play	Quieter sessions, with no booking required

Baby Support & Early Parenting

Friendly sessions for new and expectant parents to connect, learn, and explore their baby's growth and development together.

Building a Brain	A bitesize online workshop exploring brain development
Bumps to Babies	Antenatal workshops to prepare for babies arrival, mums, dads, partners and grandparents are welcomed.
Feeding Friends	NHS partner support with breastfeeding and more
Understanding Childrens Behaviour Workshop	Advice on how a child's developmental stage influences behaviour and to recognise how adults can help children regulate their own behaviour
Weaning Workshop	A guide to starting solid foods with your little one
Toilet Training Workshop	Practical advice for parents and carers beginning the toilet training journey
Wellbeing Service	Tailored support for Mums or Dads living in Northumberland who are expecting a baby or have a child under 2 years of age.

Reception Admissions 2027

The portal for Reception Admissions in September 2027 is now open. The portal closes on 15 January 2027.

More information including the link to apply online can be found via this link



Next Week

Our Christmas dates can be found on the next page. A Christmas Guide will be shared with families next week, along with links to book Christmas performance tickets.

Next Week

Anti-Bullying Week
Thursday - 4P Class Assembly
Friday - Odd Socks Day

Key Dates can be found here
https://www.selefirst.org/

SELE FIRST CHRISTMAS 2026

Friday 4 December - Santa Dash

Tuesday 8 December - Reception Nativity - Trinity, 10.30am

Wednesday 9 December - Nursery/Reception Cinema Visit, 10.00am

Wednesday 9 December - FOSF Christmas Trail, 3.30pm

tickets available via FOSF Christmas Trail

Wednesday 9 December - Y1 Nativity - Trinity, 10.30am

Thursday 10 December - Y2 Nativity - Trinity, 10.00am

Tuesday 15 December - Nursery Sing-a-Long, 10.00am

Wednesday 16 December - Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 16 December - KS2 Christmas

@ Hexham Abbey, 5.00pm

Thursday 17 December - KS2 Movie and Snacks Afternoon

Friday 18 December - Carol Service - Trinity, 9.30am

Please note we do not permit photos or videos being taken during Christmas events. No food or drinks are to be brought into performances.