SELEfirst SCHOOL

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Message from Mrs Milburn

Dear Parents and Carers
Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term. This is always a lovely half term, with lots of opportunities for us to come together as a community.
This week, Year 3 took part in an excellent workshop delivered by West End in Schools. It was a really engaging and motivating experience, helping children to explore the story of the Ramayana through dance.



Children across school have worked together to collect three huge bags of leaves from the yard! Thank you to everyone who has helped to clear the yard during break times.

This Sunday is Remembrance Sunday. On Wednesday 11 November, we will mark Remembrance Day in school with a two-minute silence at 11.00am. This will take place on the school yard for KS1 and KS2, while our Early Years children will observe the silence in their classrooms.

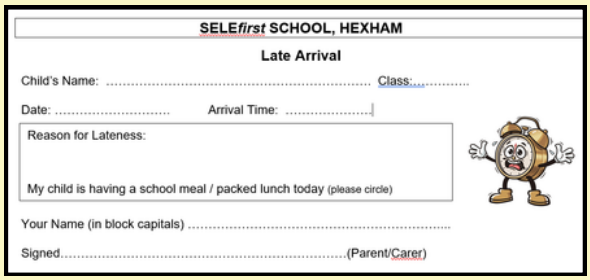
Staffing News
This week, we have welcomed Mrs Neocleous and Ms Havrylets to our lunchtime team. They have been busy getting to know the children in the canteen and out on the yard.

Congratulations to Miss Roberts in Nursery, who got married just before the half-term break. We wish Mr and Mrs Davidson a very happy future together.

Have a restful weekend, Steph Milburn

Attendance Matters - Late Arrival Slips

From next week, we will be introducing a Late Arrival Slip for any child arriving after 8:45am. Parents/carers will be asked to complete the slip on arrival, recording the reason for lateness and confirming whether their child requires a school meal or has brought a packed lunch that day. Parents and carers must accompany children into school when arriving after the bell.


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Late Arrival

Child's Name: ..... Class: .....

Date: ..... Arrival Time: .....

Reason for Lateness:

My child is having a school meal / packed lunch today (please circle)

Your Name (in block capitals) .....

Signed.....(Parent/Carer)

We know that occasionally mornings don't go quite to plan, and we appreciate that there can be a variety of reasons why families arrive late. However, regular lateness can mean children miss important learning, morning routines and valuable time with their friends. We hope this small change will help us monitor punctuality more consistently, identify any emerging patterns and, where needed, work together with families to offer support.

Attendance Stars

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

1st place — 2W 2nd place - 3S 3rd place - RM

Attendance Stars!

Reception Entry 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



Winter Lunch Menu

Our new winter lunch menu starts next Monday. Click here to download the three week menu.



Winter Lunch Menu

4AS Class Assembly

4AS welcome parents and carers to their class assembly on Thursday 12 November at 9.30am in the school hall.



Keeping in Touch - Our School Communication Policy

Good communication between home and school is so important in building positive relationships and supporting our children.



We have updated our School Communication Policy to help families understand how and when to contact us, the best ways to share information and how we can work together effectively. The policy also includes details of our dedicated communication email addresses.

We invite all families to take a few minutes to read it using the link below. Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership with Sele First. Communication Policy

Cauliflower Cards Update

The Christmas mug orders will be delivered shortly, Christmas cards are bring sent home in batches as and when they arrive, we will notify you when all orders have been distributed.



End of Term - 1.30pm Finish



In line with all of the Hexham Partnership schools, our school day will end at 1.30pm on Friday 18 December.

Sele School Club will also be closed that evening, credits will be issued to families who attend on a Friday afternoon.

Next Week

Thursday - 4AS Class Assembly
Friday - Hexham Lantern Parade
Key Dates can be found here
https://www.selefirst.org/

Christmas 2026 at Sele First

