

Friday 19<sup>th</sup>  
December 2025

# SEABROOK NEWS



## OUR CHRISTIAN VALUES

Respect

Peace

Forgiveness

Hope

Perseverance

Love



## PURPLE STAR AWARD

OLIE W  
ISABELLA F

## ATTENDANCE 2025/2026

Year R – 94.79%      Year 4 – 96.85%

Year 1 – 93.41%      Year 5 – 96.40%

Year 2 – 96.99%      Year 6 – 94.60%

Year 3 – 97.05%      Whole School  
95.73%

As we approach the end of 2025, I am delighted to share some of the wonderful moments and achievements that have made this term so special at our school.

Our Christmas plays were truly joyous and fabulous, with our children performing their hearts out. Their performances melted our hearts and created memories we will cherish for years to come. The magic of the season was beautifully captured by our pupils, who brought such enthusiasm and warmth to their roles. These events remind me of the real reasons I came into teaching and what a privilege it is to help children to grow into such wonderful and confident young people.

We recently enjoyed a delightful trip to the pantomime to see Snow White at the Marlowe, which was a wonderful experience for our pupils. This visit is more than just a pantomime but an opportunity to visit Canterbury our local city and see some of the key landmarks as well as experience a professional theatre with well known TV and west end personalities. It was fabulous to watch the children's faces as they immersed themselves in the performance.

I was particularly proud of the Swordfish Class, who demonstrated exceptional responsibility by acting as school ambassadors, showing potential new Reception parents around our school throughout Term 2. Their maturity and confidence were truly impressive and so many parents commented on how proud and knowledgeable they were of their school.

There are so many achievements to celebrate this term. Our kindness jar has been filled to the brim with wonderful acts of kindness and positive actions from our pupils. The enthusiasm of both children and staff across all aspects of school life has been remarkable. Our school community continues to grow and support one another in the most wonderful ways. Their love and compassion for each other has been so inspiring and delightful to observe. They definitely deserve their party on Friday to celebrate.

A special mention must go to our incredible PTA and the Christmas Fair, which raised significant funds for our school. Their hard work and dedication make such a difference to our school community and allow us to go on school trips as well as buy essential equipment such as Smartboards and more recently iPads for children to use. Thank you to all who plan and also those who volunteer to support the events.

We will be saying farewell to two valued members of our team at the end of this term. We want to extend our deepest gratitude to Mrs Geering, our school Inclusion Lead, for her outstanding support of SEND and all children. Her unwavering commitment to working in partnership with the Senior Leadership Team has been instrumental in creating an inclusive community where every child matters and can succeed. Her dedication to ensuring that all pupils have the opportunity to thrive has been truly remarkable.

Good Luck Mrs Geering in your new role, we will miss you very much.



We also bid a heartfelt farewell to Mrs Cawsey, our beloved Rainbow Fish Class teacher. Mrs Cawsey has been an exceptional educator who has provided an extraordinary foundation for countless young learners at the start of their educational journey. Her dedication, warmth, and commitment to early years education have been truly remarkable. She has nurtured, inspired, and supported our youngest pupils with exceptional skill and compassion, helping them develop not just academically, but socially and emotionally. Her impact on the children she has taught will be long-lasting, and she will be profoundly missed by pupils, parents, and colleagues alike.

On a positive note, I'm excited to welcome some new members to our team. Mrs Avery is joining us as our new EYFS teacher. She has previously worked at Seabrook and was trained by Mrs Cawsey and is currently working in our sister school St Martin's. Mrs Gaha will also be joining our teaching assistant team to support in Rainbow Fish...

As we reflect on 2025, it has been a year of growth and flourishing for so many of our children. Each pupil has made tremendous progress, not just academically, but in their personal development and character which makes me incredibly proud.

As we look forward to the new term and the exciting year ahead in 2026, we are filled with hope, determination, and a shared vision of continuous improvement. We aspire to build upon our strengths, embrace innovation in teaching and learning, and continue to provide an environment where every pupil can discover their unique potential. Our commitment to excellence, inclusivity, and nurturing each child's individual talents remains at the heart of everything we do.

I wish to thank you all for your encouragement and support over the last year. As the Christmas break approaches, I want to wish all our families a restful and joyful holiday season. Take time to relax, spend precious moments with loved ones, and recharge for the new year.

We look forward to welcoming our pupils back in the New Year, ready to continue our learning journey together. May the spirit of the season bring you peace, happiness, and hope.

Here's to a wonderful Christmas and a bright, promising 2026!

## CHRISTMAS DINNER



We had a fun and festive time together at Christmas lunch this week, complete with a celebratory Christmas conga!

## MARLOWE PANTO TRIP

Last week our whole school enjoyed a fantastic trip to the pantomime at the Marlowe Theatre, where the performance of Snow White did not disappoint! From the amazing costumes to the catchy songs, the show had everyone laughing, cheering and joining in. The children were all brilliantly behaved and were a pleasure to take out for the day. Well done everyone!



## PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR

Last Friday we held our Christmas Fair and what a fantastic afternoon it was!

From lucky dips and raffles to the money tree and our ever popular tombola, there were smiles and excitement all round!

Events like this would not be possible without the help of volunteers and our fantastic PTA, so we would like to say a huge thank you to the organisers and everyone who gave their time to help to make this event such a success!

Thank you also for your generosity and support for this event.



## CHRISTMAS PLAYS

Wow! What a wonderful time we had watching each class performing their Christmas plays. The children entertained us with fantastic musical numbers, performed brilliantly together on stage and delivered all of their lines with such confidence and enthusiasm! We are so incredibly proud of each and every child and all of the exceptional talent that we have in our school - what superstars they all are!



## CAROL CONCERT

What a wonderful time we had yesterday at St Martin's Church for our annual carol service. It was a truly magical evening packed with beautiful musical performances and songs, along with thought provoking readings and prayers. It was so joyous to see so many family and friends of Seabrook in attendance to come together as a school community to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas.

We are so proud of every child for their enthusiastic performances, well done everyone!





# The Nature Quest

## Making Connections With Nature

### OBSERVING THE RHYTHMS OF NATURE

During our winter months animals hibernate, plant growth slows, and the natural world goes quiet, conserving energy for survival through winter and then renewal in spring. During the next few weeks, take some time to observe the natural world and how it is changing.

Here are a few ideas to get you started:

- Go on a mindful walk: Take a slow, quiet walk in a local park or green space, focusing on the sounds, smells, and sights around you.
- Birdwatching: Set up a bird feeder or go to a local park to observe winter birds.
- Nature journaling: Document your surroundings with sketches, notes, or poetry about the changing landscape.
- Seasonal foraging: Look for winter greenery like holly, ivy, or pinecones to create natural decorations or crafts.
- Explore nature podcasts or books: Learn more about the natural world from the comfort of your home on chilly days.
- Winter gardening: Plant hardy plants, prune, or prepare your garden for spring.
- Stargazing: Winter skies are often clear, making it a great time to look at constellations.
- Gaze out your window: Observe the changing weather, birds, or trees from the comfort of your home.
- Listen to nature sounds: Play recordings of birdsong, rain, or forest sounds to bring nature indoors.
- Create natural art: Use leaves, twigs, or other natural materials collected on short walks to make simple crafts.

### MERIT BOOK

**Swordfish Class** - Ethan, Alice, Ellie, Bella M, Zara, William, Isabella, Hete-Rose, Harry S

**Jellyfish Class** - Fia, Renee, Louie, Ross, Jake, Lincoln, Ruby, Quinn

**Starfish Class** - Lyra, Lillian, Logan, Finley H, Remy, Scarlett P, Arthur W, Belle, Jude, Evelyn, Luan, Vishnu, Oliver S, Zach, Millie

**Rainbow Fish Class** - Louise, Millie, Arthur, Amelia, Max, Alannah