



NEWSLETTER

Friday 23 October 2026: Term 1, Week 7



Our students deserve huge credit for how they have approached school life since returning to school in September. This term sets the tone for the whole year and the vast majority of our students have ensured that they have made the best possible start. With their positive engagement in lessons and their focus on independent study, they have laid strong foundations from which they can secure the best possible academic outcomes and succeed in future assessments and examinations.

It speaks volumes for our school culture that my biggest bugbear is the failure of some students to tuck their shirts in. Although this seems like a minor issue, I always remind our students “you are your message” and first impressions really do count. We will continue to encourage our students to meet our high expectations by applying appropriate sanctions and rewards. We really appreciate the support we receive from parents and carers in this area. I would also like to remind our students that hoodies are not permitted in school and should not be worn.

When we return after the half term break, our students in Year 11 and Year 13 will be continuing with their full range of mock examinations and our Year 10s will be completing their exams for their option A and RS GCSEs. These assessments are so important as their outcomes will support their future college, job and university applications. I will also be holding my annual round of interviews with students in Year 11. I really enjoy this opportunity to have face to face conversations with every student in the year group and interrogate their exam technique and revision strategy. It also enables students to consider their career aspirations and future education pathways. The feedback from their recent careers interviews was extremely positive and I am looking forward to hearing them articulate how they will achieve the ambitious targets that they have set themselves for the future.

There have been lots of positive communications from school this week, including more sporting success with our Year 7 girls football team progressing into the next round of the county cup after defeating Ark Alexandra 5.0. I would also like to direct parents to our first whole school inclusion newsletter : [Seaford Head School Inclusion Newsletter- AUTUMN 2026](#). We are extremely fortunate to have an outstanding Inclusion Team at the school who support students across all areas and help them to overcome any barriers that they may face to secure exceptional academic outcomes. Many parents and carers are often surprised by how the team impacts on all areas of our school and how all our children benefit from this graduated approach

I would like to wish all members of our community a wonderful week's holiday . It has been a very long half term and students have responded really positively. I hope that all our students enjoy the break. Our Year 7s can also take the opportunity to read the new book that they were presented with in Thursday's special assembly. A massive thank you to Mrs Enstone for organising this event which will hopefully will inspire a lifelong love of reading. It was lovely to see our Year 7s so excited about their new books.

Headteacher's Star of the Week

Emilia, Darcey, Mia (Blatchington) and **Efia, Brandon** (Beacon) : **Respect for All Key**
Aiden (Friston) : **Can Do Attitude Key**

I just had to make the 4 students who looked after our visitors at last week's Key Stage 3 Information Evening my stars of the week. My responsibility for the evening was supposedly showing visitors to the tutor rooms and to the hall for the Maths, English and Science presentations. I was entirely superfluous however as from the moment our visitors arrived in the school up until the evening concluded, they were supervised and guided by our outstanding Year 8s above who made sure they were fantastically well supported.

It was fantastic to receive an email earlier this term from the Police commending our students for coming to the aid of the victim of an attack. Our students contacted the Police and stayed with the victim offering reassurance. Brandon was one of the students involved. We are extremely proud of Brandon for making sure the victim received medical treatment and the Police were able to follow up.

It is always fantastic to see students making a concerted effort to make the best possible start to a new year. Everything about Aiden's school performance this year, highlights how he is determined to make Year 9 a great year for his education. Since September, he has achieved 100% attendance and has a perfect punctuality record. Aiden is well on his way to securing 100 House points and has not received a single negative behaviour point. Aiden should feel super-proud of himself for the start he has made to Year 9. A huge well done to Aiden and all our other students who have made such a massive effort throughout Term 1.

Head of Year: Stars of the Term

Year	Name	Reason
7	Henry	For consistently showing a positive attitude, working hard and demonstrating excellent effort in Geography lessons.
8	Harry	For a fantastic term in Year 8 Spanish.
9	Izzy	For fantastic engagement this term in Spanish! You have worked extremely hard every week and tried your best at all times. Also an amazing effort all term in English, so many great contributions in our class discussions on Animal Farm.
10	Jack	For your consistency and effort, which are both fantastic! You arrive regularly and on time, always try your best and are willing to contribute to lessons by sharing your answers and ideas. Your knowledge is growing all the time, and your positive attitude is helping you make excellent progress. Keep it up, Jack – you are doing incredibly well! Well done!
11	Sam	For excellent effort in English lessons, he is always willing to offer input into discussions and shows his own viewpoints.
12	Mohammed	For your support with the younger students. We really appreciate your willingness to step in and help when students are having a tough time.
13	Daiwik	For being incredibly organised and committed to his studies and future destinations applications. Your hard work and commitment will pay off!

Future Dates

Friday 23 October: End of Term 1
Monday 2 November: All students return for Term 2



News

You can also find out about our latest news, successes and celebrations within the Seaford Head community on our Facebook page [here](#)



Careers

For the latest information on Careers Fairs, Open Days and Apprenticeships visit our website [here](#)

Our website also has a wide range of information, support and website links to support with your Careers queries and questions, which can be accessed [here](#)

For the latest LMI information, please check our website [here](#)



Community Notices

We have a wide range of community events and notices which can now be viewed on our website [here](#).



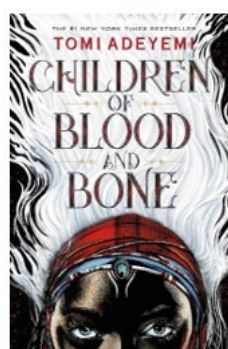
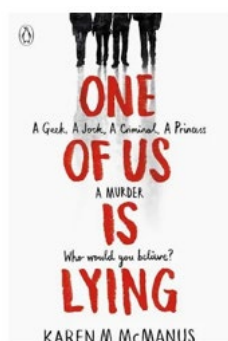
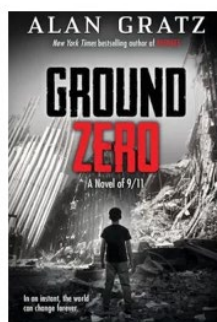
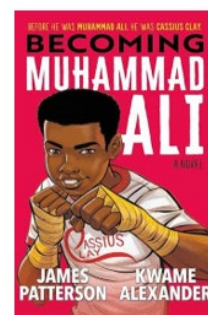
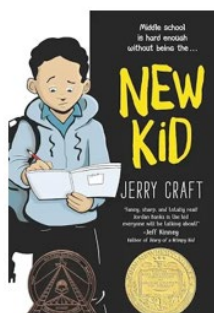
Seaford Head School Inclusion Newsletter

We are happy to say that we now have our own Inclusion newsletter. Please see all the fantastic things we do here: [Seaford Head School Inclusion Newsletter- AUTUMN 2026](#)

Book Recommendations

Term 1, Week 7 All our Term 1 book recommendations in one place!

Year 7 – 8



Year 9+

Rotary Young Chef of the Year 2026



Do you enjoy cooking?

Then come and show us your skills in our competition to find the
Rotary club's - Young Chef of the Year 2026!

The competition will take place on **19th Nov** at **Steyne site** at **1.45pm**

Task:

To prepare, in two hours, a 2-course healthy and nutritious meal for 2 people (main course and dessert) costing no more than £18 for ingredients, the cost of which will be reimbursed by the Rotary Club.

For more information and to collect your information pack see Mrs Feneron or email victoriafeneron@seafordhead.org

You can also download them from the Rotary website
www.seafordrotary.org.uk or email youngchef@seafordrotary.org.uk.



I CAN Careers Event

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CAREERS EVENT

CAREERS EVENT FOR
YOUNG PEOPLE WITH
THEIR PARENTS & CARERS

**CAREERS
EVENT**

East Sussex
CAREERS HUB

THE CAREERS &
ENTERPRISE
COMPANY

SKILLS
EAST SUSSEX



ICAN - CAREERS EVENT

Wednesday 18 November 2026

4:30pm to 7:00pm

**THE KINGS CENTRE,
EASTBOURNE, BN23 6PT**

This event is aimed at those who might need a bit of additional support with their next steps into education, training or employment.

You are invited to meet education and training providers who offer a variety of career pathway options, employers and apprenticeship providers with current or future vacancies. You will have the opportunity to take part in mock interviews, pre-screening for live vacancies or work/skills discussion with an employer.

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Safeguarding & Wellbeing



Safeguarding Team

These are our Designated Safeguarding Leads at Seaford Head School.

Dr I Wallace

Mrs L Kaukolahti

Mr S Whittaker



If you have a safeguarding concern or query, please call the school on 01323 891623 or email safeguarding@seafordhead.org.

The Safeguarding Team



Mr B Ellis
Headteacher



Dr I Wallace
DSL



Ms L K
Safeguarding Manager &
Deputy DSL



Mr S Whittaker
Deputy DSL



Rev J Hollingsworth
Governor for Safeguarding

Deputy DSLs



Ms S Alvarez
Assistant
Headteacher



Ms J Hudson
Inclusion
Practitioner



Mrs T Kelebek
Inclusion
Practitioner



Mrs J Owen
Educational
Welfare Officer



Mrs J Root
LAC Designated
Teacher



Mrs C Callard
Asst Head of Year



Ms E Gallagher
Asst Head of Year



Mrs T Mason
Head of Year



Miss E Phillips
Asst Head of Year

Any member of staff in the school will help support you if you need it. The people shown below have specific training and skills to support young people around their feelings and wellbeing.



Mr Sam Whittaker
Solution Focussed
Therapy (SFT) Certified



Mrs K
Rational Emotive Behaviours
Therapy (REBT) Accredited



Beth
Emotional Literacy Support
Assistant (ELSA) Certified



Julia
Emotional Literacy
Support Assistant (ELSA)



Ms Mason
Miss Phillips
Miss Gallagher

Ms Kyprianou
Mr O'Kane
Miss Novitt
Mrs Davis
Mr McLaren

Mr Vaughan
Mr Purdey
Dr Wallace
Mr Beverley
Miss Wells

Miss Britton
Miss Harris
Mrs Martin
Mr Gant
Mrs Callard

Mr Ashdown
Mr Thomas
Mr Osborne
Miss Adamson
Miss Bromley



Tara
Counsellor



Laura
Counsellor



Jennie
Senior Mental Health
Practitioner



Katy
Children's Wellbeing
Practitioner