



## Newsletter - January 2014

Dear Parents

Happy New Year to you all we hope you had a wonderful Christmas & best wishes for the New Year.



Our theme this half term is "Let's Investigate", details of this & ideas for developing this are displayed on the information board in the entrance porch.



Please can you take a few minutes to complete the attached 'Story from Home' sheet about the Christmas holidays & return it to your child's key worker so it can be added to your child's learning journey.



### Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2014- Drop in Session.

Sara Bennion, a senior family worker from One Point will be in nursery between 9.15-9.45 & 1.00-1.30. Sara will be available to talk to parents/ give advice on behaviour management, toilet training, healthy eating, dummies etc.

Sara will talk to parents on a 1:1 basis, if you would like to drop in please do.



### Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2014- Group Photographer

The photographer will be in school to take the group photographs. Children need to wear school uniforms. Once developed the photographs will be displayed for you to view and order. Individual photographs will be taken in May.



### Week beginning 27<sup>th</sup> January-Chinese New Year

To develop the children's understanding & knowledge of different activities we will be celebrating Chinese New Year. The children will have opportunities to dress in traditional Chinese costumes, make masks & dragons, learn a dragon dance & eat real Chinese food!



### Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January, 6<sup>th</sup> February & 13<sup>th</sup> February- Every Child's A Talker (9.15-10.15)

In conjunction with Sara Bennion we are running a short course for 3 Thursday mornings. The course will help parents with ideas of how to develop children's communication & language skills. Further details will follow.

### Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February- Drop in Session

Drop in to see Sara Bennion senior family worker from One Point.



Coats, shoes, wellies, hats, scarves, jumpers etc- Please make sure your child's names are inside their clothes shoes & wellies. We cannot take responsibility for unnamed items as it is impossible to match unnamed items to children.



Wanted- Vests, pants, socks, tights & trousers.

Please could you send in any spare vests, pants, socks, tights & trousers, so we can use them when we change children.

Wanted - Parent & Grandparent helpers.

Please could you spare some time & come along to help in nursery. If you would like to please see Mrs Scott.



Mobile Phones-

Can we remind you please for safeguarding reasons do not use mobile phones in or around the nursery school.

Staff Vacancies

Application packs for a Caretaker are available from Mrs Marshall in the office. The closing date for this post is 17<sup>th</sup> January 2014.

Miss Andrea Moore has joined the staff this week & is looking forward to working with your children.

As soon as the new assistant headteacher is appointed I will let you know.



Inclement Weather- in the event of inclement weather please check the school website [www.seahamharbour.durham.sch.uk](http://www.seahamharbour.durham.sch.uk) & local radio stations for guidance on school closures.



School Forms

Have you remembered to apply for a school place for your child to start school next September? If you have not see Mrs Scott urgently.



School closes Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> February 2014 for half term and re-opens Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> February 2014.

Thank you

Mrs Scott

