Seaham Harbour Nursery School



Newsletter - November 2013

Dear Parents

We hope you have enjoyed the half term holiday and we would love to hear what the children have been up to.



Attached to this letter is a "Story from home" sheet for you to complete and return to your child's keyworker so it can be added to your child's special file.

Our topic theme this half term is "Celebrations", this work will provide opportunities for children to learn about events such as Diwali, Children in Need and of course Christmas.



<u>Sponsor Money</u>- Thank you all who have handed in their sponsor money, if you have not done so yet please can you bring it in a.s.a.p (So we can send it off to Santa!!)

<u>Snack Money</u>- Please remember to pay your £1.50 school fund every week as this money buys snacks, treats and resources for the children.



<u>Wanted- baubles, beads, tinsel, poinsettia flowers etc.</u>- If you have any spare please send them in for children to use in their creative activities.

Over the next half term we have a lot of events planned.



Monday November 11th 9-10 & 12.45-1.45 Bulb Planting for Marie Curie Cancer Research-Please come along and stay for a short while to help the children plant daffodil bulbs for Marie Curie Cancer Research. We will also be planting our outdoor tubs & pots with bulbs



<u>Friday November 15th Pyjamas for Pudsey/Teddy Bears Picnic-</u> We will be celebrating Children in Need and ask all children to come to nursery in their Pyjamas/dressing gowns, (please no slippers as children will be going outside), bring a teddy & a £1 donation for the charity.

We will be having lots of Pudsey activities, a teddy bears picnic & hopefully a special visitor!

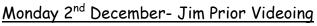
Monday 18th - Wednesday 20th November Parent Reviews.

Appointments need to have been made for these meetings.



Friday 29th November-Christmas Tree Collection

We hope to collect our Christmas tree from a 'Secret Location'. If anyone can help us with a truck/van please see Mrs Scott a.s.a.p.



Jim will be in nursery both morning & afternoon videoing the children for the Christmas DVD. DVDs can be ordered from this day £10 each. Orders can only be placed when paid for. Orders must be placed by 11^{th} December.



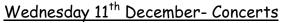
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Tuesday 10th December- Dress Rehearsals

Children will perform their concerts for pupils from Ropery Walk Primary School. Jim Prior will also video the concert for the Christmas DVD.



Children will perform their concerts for parents, grandparents & families. The concerts start once the children are all dressed. All children need to be collected by $\underline{10.45}$ (unless staying for lunch) & $\underline{2.15}$.

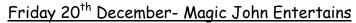
Lunchclub and Childcare still available. No uniforms please easy clothes.



Thursday 19th December- Christmas Parties

8.45-11.15 & 12.30- 3.00

Lunchclub and Childcare still available. No uniforms.



All children need to come to nursery 8.45-11.15 for Magic John to entertain them. This will be followed by a giant picnic.

All children need to be collected between <u>11.00 & 11.15</u>. Lunchclub & Childcare are still available.

Nursery Closes at 11.15 and re-opens Monday 6th January 2014



<u>Parent Governor-</u> We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor on our governing body. Governors meet approximately 3-4 times a year (usually 3.45-5.30) to share information about school & the Local Authority, make recommendations & decide on matters which affect the life of the nursery school. Being a governor is very rewarding, interesting & informative & helps give an insight into how schools operate.

If you are interested in becoming a governor please see Mrs Scott a.s.a.p



<u>Christmas Cards-</u> To make it easier for yourselves and staff and more meaningful to the children, please send only 1 Christmas card (after 1st Dec and this will be displayed in nursery. <u>Please do not</u> send in cards for all children.



<u>Coats, Hats, Scarves, Gloves, Shoes & Wellies</u>- Please please make sure your child's name is on all these things so it is easier for us to match the items to your child, when they take them off.



<u>Little Rockers Childcare Limited- Childcare/ Additional Services</u>
Remember we have additional sessions for your children, as well as lunch club and breakfast. These are wonderful opportunities for your children to develop their friendship groups, social, skills and try new foods. See Mrs Marshall in office for more information.

Webpage- <u>www.seahamharbour.durham.sch.uk-</u> Don't forget to keep looking at our web page for information, notices and photographs. We are currently updating the style & content keep checking it over to see how its changing.

Thank you

The Nursery Staff