Seaham Harbour Nursery School



Nursery Newsletter - January 2020

Dear Parents



Happy New Year to you all, we hope you had a wonderful Christmas and we wish you all the best for the coming year.

Our theme this term is 'People Who Help Us,' 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 and return it to your child's keyworker so it can be added to your child's learning journey.

Hello and welcome to the new children & their families starting nursery we hope you have a wonderful time here & enjoy yourselves.



Week Beginning 20th January-Chinese New Year.

To develop the children's understanding & knowledge of different activities we are 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!



Tuesday 21st January - Group Photographs.

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.



Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th January - Bread Making- Terry Gee from Asda will be coming to nursery to make bread with the children.

Week Beginning 27th January- Governor Week

Governors will be in school throughout this week, meeting the children & working alongside the staff.

Monday 10th February & Thursday 13th February- Parent Reviews- Please make an appointment to speak to Mrs Wilson, Mrs Henry & your child's keyworker about your child's progress at nursery. Please see Mrs Marshall in the office to book appointment.



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Coats, shoes, wellies, hats, scarves, jumpers, etc-

Please make sure your child's names are inside their clothes, shoes and wellies. We cannot take responsibility for unnamed items as it is impossible to match unnamed items to children.

Dogs- Please can we remind you not to bring any dogs onto the school



<u>Inclement Weather</u> – in the event of inclement weather please check the school's website <u>www.seahamharbour.durham.sch.uk</u> & local radio stations for guidance on school closures.

<u>Mobile Phones-</u> Please can we remind you for safeguarding reasons do not use mobile phones in or around the nursery school. (This includes texting, phoning, playing games or taking photographs).



Social Media/ Networking Sites-

premises. Thank you.

As we all know Social networking sites such as Facebook and Twitter are now widely used. This type of media allows people to communicate in ways that were not previously possible. However, such sites can be inappropriately used by some as a means of expressing negative or offensive views about schools and their staff.

Although social networking sites may appear to be the quickest and easiest way to express frustrations or concerns about the School (and those associated with it), it is rarely appropriate to do so. Other channels, such as a private and confidential discussion with the School, or using the School's formal complaints process are much better suited to this.



The School considers the following examples to be inappropriate uses of social networking sites. (This list is non-exhaustive and intended to provide examples only):

- Making allegations about staff or pupils at the School/cyber-bullying;
- Making complaints about the School/staff at the School;
- Making defamatory statements about the School or staff at the School;
- Posting negative/offensive comments about specific pupils/staff at the School;
- Posting racist comments;
- Posting comments which threaten violence.

Please can we ask for you co-operation in following these guidelines when using Social media/ Networking sites.



School Forms - Last Reminder

Have you remembered to apply for a school place for your child to start school next September? The closing date for applications is Wednesday 15thJanuary. If you have not please see Mrs Scott or Mrs Wilson urgently.



<u>Wanted-</u> Please can we have any spare pants, (girls & boys), socks tights, trousers & leggings you may have to change children into when they have an accident. Please can you also return any nursery clothes you may have borrowed when your child has been changed, our supplies are running very low!



<u>Website</u>- Please keep checking this out for information, dates of events & photographs www.seahamharbour.durham.sch.uk

School closes Friday 14^{th} February 2020 for half term and re-opens Monday 24^{th} February 2020

Some dates for your diaries:-

Thursday 5th March- World Book Day Tuesday 24th March- Spring Craft Day Wednesday 1st April- Easter Concert/Hat Parade & Grand Raffle Friday 3rd April- School closes for Easter. Further details will be given in later newsletters.

Thank you Mrs Scott