Seaham Harbour Nursery School

for ideas of activities you can do at home.



Newsletter -March 2020

Dear Parents

children.



Welcome back after the half term holiday. Please can you take a few minutes to complete & return a 'Story from Home' sheet for your child's learning journey.

Our Learning theme this half term continues as "People who help us". Keep watching the plasma screen for photographs of the children & checking the board



As usual this half term is very busy & we have lots of things planned for you & the



<u>Thursday 5th March- World Book Day-</u> Come along between 9-10 & 12:45-1:45 to read books to children to celebrate World Book Day. Children <u>DO NOT</u> need to wear fancy dress costumes. All children will receive a book voucher & book gift set.

<u>Library Visits-</u> After Easter the children will be visiting the library in small groups to share books & listen to stories.

<u>Friday 13th March</u> Sport relief (more details to follow).



<u>Tuesday 24th March- Spring Craft Day-</u> Come along & join the children in Spring/ Easter activities. Refreshments will be available, (more details to follow).



Wednesday 1st April- Easter Concert/Hat Parade/ Grand Raffle- Come along & listen to the children sing their Easter/Spring songs. All children will need a Easter hat/ bonnet to wear on the parade. Jim Prior will video the concert/hat parade. Please can children wear a yellow t-shirt/ top on this day. The grand raffle will also be drawn at the end of the afternoon concerts (More details to follow). Unfortunately due to limited space & numbers of children adults coming to view are limited to 2 per child. Morning audience of children (Yellow morning group, White & Red groups) need to come for 10:00 performance. Afternoon audience of (Yellow afternoon group, Blue & Green groups) need to come for 1:45. The raffle will be drawn after the afternoon performance.

<u>Easter DVD-</u> If you would like to order the concert/hat Parade DVD, orders & payments (£10) must be made by Friday 3^{rd} April.



<u>Mud Kitchens-</u> With school fund contributions & sponsor money donations we have just taken delivery of 4 bespoke mud kitchens (2 in the nursery garden & 2 in the Early Learner garden). The children are enjoying playing with these making potions & soups. Thank you for support.

Friday 3rd April- School closes for Easter & re-opens Monday 20th April.



<u>30 hour checker confirmation</u>- Please can we remind parents who have not reconfirmed their codes since the $1^{\underline{s}\underline{t}}$ January to do so & let Mrs Marshall know. If we don't receive confirmation before $31^{\underline{s}\underline{t}}$ March then children will not be able to attend for 30 hours from April.



<u>School Places-</u> The Local Authority will be allocating places for Primary schools on 16^{th} April (Usually by email). As soon as you know your child's school please let Mrs Scott know.

<u>Webpage-</u> <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 it's changing.



<u>Dogs on school grounds-</u> Please can we remind you not to bring any dogs onto the school grounds (or leave them tied to the school entrance gates). Some children are frightened of dogs (regardless of their size) and the dogs can become very frustrated/ anxious about being tied to the fence & then jump up at the children.



<u>Mobile Phones-</u> Can we please remind you for safeguarding reasons that mobile phones (whether texting, phoning, playing games or photographing) must not be used whilst on the nursery premises and grounds.

<u>Attendance-</u> Please can we remind you if your child is absent from nursery that you contact us (by either telephone or email) on the first day of absence giving the reason for your child's absence. If you do not contact us we will follow this up with a telephone call. All reasons for absence are recorded in a log book. We realise attending nursery is non-statutory, however we do have a duty to record & report attendance and absenteeism. Good attendance at nursery is important in achieving success in all areas of learning & development and good practice for statutory school.

Thank you

Carole Scott Headteacher