

Seaham Harbour Nursery School

Newsletter – March 2021

Dear Parents

Welcome back everyone and hello to our new families joining us!

All children have come back so well, it was lovely to see everyone coming in so happy and it has been wonderful hearing all of the children laughing, chatting and seeing them engaged in learning.

Thank you for all wearing face coverings, keeping your distance, limiting the number of adults/children coming and following our drop and go procedures. We must continue to all work together to protect our school community from an outbreak and keep the school open.

Hello and Welcome

We welcome Mrs Louise Read to our staff. Mrs Read will work in the main nursery on a morning and in Early Learners on an afternoon. She is looking forward to getting to know all children very quickly.

Our learning theme this half term is 'Growth and Change', we have lots of lovely activities planned for the children.

<u>Class Dojo</u>

To help keep you updated with what the children are doing we will regularly post videos and photographs on Class Dojo. Please keep checking this out, we would love to have some feedback and comments from you on ClassDojo. Likewise we would love to see photographs of the children doing activities at home. Please send photographs in on your child's portfolio and not on messages. If you have not connected to ClassDojo yet or you need some help in using it, please e-mail or telephone and we will help. Please do not send messages (other than to do with photographs/learning activities) on ClassDojo. Any messages are to be sent by telephone or the school e-mail.

Obviously as the pandemic is still around we cannot involve parents in nursery activities like we would normally do. So instead, we are going to send some activities home for you to try with your children and we hope you enjoy doing them.

30 Hour Checker Information

Please can I remind you if you have not re-confirmed your eligibility code since <u>January 1st 2021</u> you do so and let Mrs Marshall know the new reconfirmation date.



WELLCOME







School Places

The Local Authority will be allocating places for primary schools on April 16th (usually be e-mail). As soon as you know your child's school place please let me know or e-mail Mrs Marshall.

If you have forgotten to apply for a school place, please let me know immediately.



Parent Review Meetings

Obviously due to Covid we have not been able to hold our usual Parent Review meetings.

Mrs Wilson will be holding telephone meetings with all parents in the near future. Further details will follow.



Nursery Places/Early Learner Places

As baby groups/toddler groups are no longer running and Health Visitors are not out in the community, many families are forgetting to register their children's names for Early Learners and Nursery. Please if you know anyone with young children, encourage them to contact us to register. Places will offered after Easter/early Summer.



Foodbank Collection

We are looking to begin our collections again for the local foodbanks, which are being used by many families in our community. If you would like to contribute again (as you so generously did before) we will be placing collection baskets at the front of the school buildings.



Wanted

<u>Old Football Tops -</u>If you have any football tops (adults and children) you no longer want, please can we have them for our football area in the garden. Thank you

<u>Socks, tights and pants</u> (both girls and boys) - Please can you send us any pants, socks or tights your children are no longer using as our supplies are running really low. Thank you.



Red Nose Day - Friday 19th March

We are supporting the Red Nose Day charity this year, by doing lots of activities and having a "Non-Uniform day". Children can come to school in 'Practical, sensible clothes' and remember they still go outdoors! As a school we will make a donation to the charity.

School closes on Friday 26th March for Easter and re-opens Monday 12th April.

Thank you

Carole Scott Headteacher