

<u>Seaham Harbour Nursery School</u> <u>Early Learners Newsletter -January 2022</u>

Dear Parents

We welcome our new children and their families and hope they have a wonderful time with us at Seaham Harbour Nursery School.



#### Week Beginning 31<sup>st</sup> 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!

#### Week Beginning 7<sup>th</sup> March - Governor Week

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

<u>Parent Reviews</u>- week commencing Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March – further details to follow.



## 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.



# <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.

## Social Media/ Networking Sites-

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):



I Making allegations about staff or pupils at the School/cyber-bullying;

I 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.

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

<u>Learning Journals</u> - Thank you to all parents who have returned the permission forms and have logged on to our new on-line Learning Journals, it is lovely to read all your comments.

If you have not returned your permission form to receive your e-mail login, please do so as soon as possible. If you have mis-placed your form or require another one please see Mrs Wilson or Mrs Marshall.

The on-line Learning Journal system has replaced the old style paper Learning Journals so is the only way to access your children's stories, observations and progress updates.

<u>Nursery Admissions</u> - Have you remembered to apply for a nursery place for your child to start next September? Just because your child attends Early Learners <u>does not</u> mean they automatically have a place at Seaham Harbour Nursery School.

Please see Mrs Marshall in the main office.

<u>Queen's Jubilee (extra day)</u> - All schools have been given an extra day to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee as celebrations would fall into our half term holiday. Our school has chosen Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022 (please note that other schools may have chosen a different day). Therefore the last day of the Summer Term will be Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022.



School closes Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022 for half term and re-opens Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022.

<u>Some dates for your diaries:-</u> Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February - Training Day Thursday 3rd March- World Book Day Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April- School closes for Easter. Further details will be given in later newsletters.

Thank you Mrs Wilson