



Newsletter - September 2015

Dear Parents



Hello & welcome to all children and their families, we hope everyone enjoys their time here at Seaham Harbour Nursery School.

Our initial theme this half term is "Off We Go" giving children lots of opportunities to learn the routines & expectations of nursery as well as discovering lots of new learning experiences.



S.T.A.R. - Remember to check the STAR (Super Teacher Activity Resources) Board for ideas/activities you can do at home.



Stories from Home- Sheets are available from the notice board. Complete a sheet letting us know what your child has been doing at home and hand it back to your child's keyworker for your child's learning journey.



Plasma TV- Keep watching for new photographs of the children in their early days at nursery.



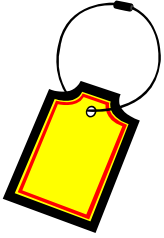
Mobile Phones- Please can we remind you for safeguarding reasons not to use mobile phones (texting, talking or taking photographs) whilst you are on the nursery premises.



School Fund- Thank you to all who have remembered to pay their weekly £1.50 school fund. Please wherever possible give this to your child on a Monday so they can hand it in to a member of staff.



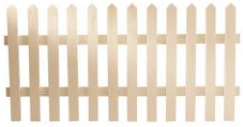
Names- Please can we ask you to write/label your child's coat, cardigan, jumpers, wellies, shoes etc. with their names. We have had several 'mix ups' this last week with coats and jumpers. If names are inside it makes it easier to return things to the correct children.



Tags- We have tagged the children's coats with small coloured fobs. This is to help your child & staff find coats when they are hanging on the pegs. We would appreciate it if you would leave them attached to your child's coat. (Obviously if you change your child's coat please swap the fob over).



Bags- Children do not need to bring a bag to nursery. The bag causes congestion in the porch and makes it very difficult for coats & pegs to be found.



Fence- Please can we ask if you arrive early to collect your child you do not stand at the fence. This can be very upsetting & distressing for your child especially if you are shouting at & calling them over & it makes it very difficult for your child to engage in the activities on offer.



Recyclable Materials- "Junk"- Please can we have empty boxes, tubs, pots & tubes for the children to make models with. Please No Milk bottles/Cartons



Wanted- Please can we have old mobiles, cameras, spectacles, purses, bags, maps, binoculars, pans, wooden spoons, kitchen utensils & lunchboxes/bags for the children to play with.



Breakfast/ Lunchclub/ Childcare, Extra Sessions

Remember we have additional services for you to buy all of which are very popular & enjoyed by the children. See Mrs Marshall in the office.



Diary- Future Dates/ Events- Here are some dates of future events- further details will follow.

Tuesday 13th October- Chat & Stay Coffee day 9-10:30, 12:45-2:15

Monday 19th October- Sponsored obstacle course and cake stall
9:00-11:00, 12:45-2:45

Friday 23rd October- School closes- half term.

Monday 2nd November- School opens

Monday 16th November- Bulb planting for Marie Curie Cancer Research
9:00-10, 12:45-1:45

Monday 23rd , Tuesday 24th , Wednesday 25th November- Parent Review meetings.



Parent Governor- If any parent is interested in becoming a governor please see Mrs Scott for more information



Walk to School

As we are a school we take part in walk to school, a project to encourage children to walk. Everyday we ask children, how they come to school and record this. At the end of every month badges are given to those children who walk. We realise it is not always practical to walk here but if children walk once a week, or they walk from the bus stop or you park up (e.g. at Byron Place) and walk part of the way then they will qualify for a badge.



New Building

Just to let you know we have had a wonderful new building built over the summer holidays for our Early Learners giving them a superb modern learning environment. This building will also be used by lunchclub children, (so you can have a look in when you drop your children in or collect them from lunchclub and see for yourselves.)



Names for Nursery

If you have a younger child you can register their name on the waiting list the school year in which they are 2 - you DO NOT have to wait until their 2nd birthday.

School Places

We will be issuing you soon a card with details on for registering your child for school next year. This must be done before January 2016.



Website- Please keep checking this out for information, dates of events & Photographs www.seahamharbour.durham.sch.uk

Thank you

The Nursery Staff