

Welcome to Nursery

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the Nursery at Seaton Sluice First School! At the start of this new school year, there are some exciting changes about to happen in your child's life. Starting Nursery is a big step, and we will work hard with your child and yourselves to ensure that the transition is as smooth as possible.

Here are a few things that you might like to know and that we would like you to be aware of:

The Nursery Day

- Nursery starts at 8.45 and home time is at 12.15 for morning children or 3.00 for children staying all day.
- We will spend a lot of time helping your child to settle in so don't worry. Your child is very young, and this is all very new, so tears are normal. If your child is upset on entry into the classroom, feel free to call the school office and we will let you know how they are getting on.
- Don't worry if your child finds the whole day too much, we will start slowly and build up to a whole session if necessary. Remember your child is only 3 and this is all very new. We want your child to be happy in nursery!
- Please come in each day via the nursery gate. We ask that you please leave your child at the door as this helps a lot with settling them in. Again, if they are upset when you leave, please feel free to call the school office to check in.
- Your child will follow a daily routine that they will get used to very quickly.
- Your child will be given a snack and a carton of milk each day.
- Your child needs a water/juice bottle in school every day.
- Your child will need a healthy packed lunch. No nuts, fizzy drinks or sweets please. We will have two sittings for lunch. Lunchtime will be from 11.45/12.15 until 12.15/1.00. The children will eat together in the classroom. Familiar members of staff will support them with their lunch.
- Your child will experience lots of messy play. This will include paint, mud, chalk, water, shaving foam and sand. Your child will get dirty on most days.
- Please let us know if someone else is collecting your child. You will be given a password and they will need to give us this.

Uniform

- A list of uniform for your child to wear was sent out in your welcome pack. Uniforms should be easy for your child to manage for toilet trips and PE. **No laces please.**
- Please leave spare clothes in a bag on your child's peg. Please label EVERYTHING! Even shoes and wellies.

Outdoors

- We will be outdoors in all weather. Please ensure that your child has a spare set of clothes, a warm coat and wellies for playing outside. Please also make sure that these are all clearly labelled with your child's name.
- Please ensure your child has suncream applied and has a hat on warm days. We cannot put suncream on your child so please apply this before nursery.

PE:

- We will notify you when the children need a P.E kit. However, each Friday is 'Fit Friday.' Children can come into school wearing their sporty clothes. We will take part in some fun physical activities

Class Dojo

- We will be using Class Dojo to share a weekly class story with you. Please check Class Dojo regularly as we will also be sending out important messages. Please feel free to add photographs of special moments or occasions from home. We love sharing them with the children.

Illness & Medication

- If you need to send any form of medication in for your child, please fill out a medicine form at the office. If we do not have the form, we cannot administer the medicine.
- If your child is ill, please keep them at home and let the school office know as soon as possible.

You must keep your child off school for 48 hours after the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea!

Promoting Independence

- We want your child to be a confident and independent learner and in doing so we ask that you support us at home by encouraging your child to put on and take off their own coat, shoes and clothes.
- If your child needs some support in using the toilet, please ensure they have lots of spare underwear and changes of clothes in a bag on their peg.

Thank you for your support!

Mrs McBride, Mrs Warren & Mrs Cummings