



DELVES LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

15 February 2019

Reception Wedding!

Class 1 and 2 had a fantastic wedding celebration on Valentine's day! The children were amazing during the service and so well behaved walking to and from the Chapel. I'm sure you are all as proud of them as we are! We threw confetti outside the chapel and then returned to school for our Wedding Lunch followed by lots of dancing and even a cutting of the cake! A huge thank you to all our parents and carers who came to watch our ceremony at the Chapel, we hope you all enjoyed it. As promised, pictures will be posted on our school website and Facebook page of our exciting Valentine's Day! Please note: we cannot publish all photographs due to consent. Thank you for your support, it was lovely to see so many of you at the chapel yesterday from Mrs Randell and Miss Taylor.

Attendance

Here is the % attendance for this week. **Well done to classes 5 and 10!**

Class 1	93.8
Class 2	91.9
Class 3	94
Class 4	95.6
Class 5	96.9%
Class 6	91.7
Class 7	96.7
Class 8	99.2
Class 9	93.2
Class 10	100%
Class 11	95
Class 12	93.2
Class 13	95.3

Safety Week

As a rights respecting school children's well-being is very important to us (article 19-'the right to be kept safe from harm'). As part of our Safety Week, the children have been learning all about safety in different situations with visits from the road safety patrol officers, police dogs Ben and Jet, who helped our youngest children learn about 'stranger danger', the RNLI (water safety), St. John's Ambulance (First Aid practice with our Year 4 children) and the Big Foot Theatre Company who put on a wonderful performance about keeping safe online. This was followed up in Key Stage 2 with e-safety workshops for all our junior children. The children have really enjoyed this special week and most importantly, have gained lots of valuable information and guidance about how to keep themselves safe and sound.

Water Bottles

A number of children are asking on a regular basis for a plastic cup to get a drink of water. Can you please ensure your child has a reusable water bottle that can remain in school (bottles are available to purchase from the school office for £1.00). Help us reduce our plastic waste and look after the planet, thank you.



Community News

Half term family activities in Blackhill and Consett Park:

Bird Watching - Bird trail and bird box building on Monday 18 February, 2pm - 4pm. Places must be booked online using:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/family-bird-trail-and-bird-box-building-tickets-55915450618?fbclid=IwAR1yEbTy8bBRB3HUN9YCqet4RXLIspUtkfJ0mGalrm1Wy1ZcdQreKpONQ>

Wild about half term - 'Wild about the Park' family sessions on Thursday 21 February at 10am - 12pm and 1pm - 3pm. Pre-booking is essential either email martin.weston@durham.gov.uk or phone 03000 262480.

Parent Appointment Procedures

Please can we remind parents and carers that teachers are ONLY available to speak to you via appointment or at the END of the school day. They will not be available to speak to you at the beginning of the school day because this interrupts teaching time. Thank you.

Half-Term Holiday

Next week we have our half-term holidays and will return to school on **Monday 25th February 2019**. Breakfast Club and After School Childcare will resume on Monday 25th February as will ALL after school clubs.

Reminder Dates

Year 3 (Classes 7 & 8) will be visiting the Oriental Museum on Wednesday 27th February 2019.

Unfortunately, the Book Fayre we had planned for World Book Day has been cancelled due to double booking issues. Last Wednesday, each child should have brought home a World Book Day token along with a sponsorship form for their sponsored read. We do hope you are all enjoying reading with your children, perhaps you could purchase a new book with the token or visit your local library. Thank you very much for supporting our fundraising efforts, could all sponsorship money be sent into school by Wednesday 27th February please. Happy reading!

We hope you all have a lovely holiday. Thank you for your continued support.

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