



DELVES LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 16th October

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are coming to the end of the first half of the Autumn term and have enjoyed sharing lots of successes with you all including our celebration assemblies. We would like to thank you for your lovely comments which are fantastic.

Class 8 and 9 Visit to Housesteads Roman Fort

Classes 8 and 9 are very much looking forward to their visit to Housesteads Roman Fort on **Tuesday 20th October**. All children need to be in school promptly for 9am.

Instagram and Twitter

Re: Online safety issues.

Both Instagram and Twitter have a minimum age policy of 13. Whilst many parents choose to allow younger children to use these services we cannot recommend this. To keep your children safe on social media parents should ensure that the correct privacy settings are enabled, and that appropriate adult supervision is provided.

Further information is available at the NSPCC site Net Aware

<http://www.net-aware.org.uk/>

In addition you may wish to access a free copy of the Vodafone Digital Parenting Guide (<http://www.theparentzone.co.uk/>)

Harvest Festival News

Can we say a 'big' thank you to all for your kind donations for our Harvest Festival. All donated food will be distributed to the local community and charities. We would like to say thank you for your support, it was lovely to see so many of you attending the two festivals.

Reading in Key Stage One (Classes 3, 4 and 5)

Please could all children bring their home reading records and books into school **every** day. After hearing your child read at home, we would kindly ask that you make a comment about how well they have read and enjoyed the book.

To encourage home reading, the teacher will check reading records weekly to see if parents have signed them. If records are signed, children's names will be entered into a class raffle. The winner from each class will receive a medal.

We will try to change your child's home reading book as frequently as we can (a minimum of once a week).

Bug Club

All children from classes 3 to 12 have received their individual bug club user name and password. Pupils can access the books online at home – www.activelearnprimary.co.uk
If you have any issues accessing the site, please see your child's class teacher.



School Entrance and Car Park

We would like to remind all parents and carers that access with vehicles to our site is strictly prohibited, to ensure the safety of all pupils and staff.

Can we also remind you that as you walk onto the school site you should follow the pedestrian access and not walk across the car park.

Poppy Appeal

Can we please request that children put their poppy purchases in their school bags until home time and do not wear them for school. We have had a couple of children that have been a bit silly and think it is best that all poppy items remain at home. It also saves arguments and

tears if items become lost or broken. Traditional poppies will hopefully be available next week.

Half term Holidays

Friday 23rd October – Inset Day

Please remember we are closed for teaching on Friday 23rd October due to a scheduled teacher training day. We break up for our Autumn half term holiday on Thursday 22nd October. School reopens on Monday 2nd November.

Your continued support is much appreciated. Thank you.

Yours sincerely

B Woods

Mrs B Woods

Acting Head Teacher



Date	Event	Information
Week beg 19 October	Assessment Week	Years 1 – 6
Tues 20 October	Visit to Housesteads Roman Fort	Classes 8&9
Thurs 22 October	Class 5 Assembly	Parents welcome – 9.15am – Infant Hall
Thurs 22 October	Key Stage 1 Halloween Disco	Classes 3, 4 and 5 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm - Infant Hall
Fri 23 October	School Closed	Teacher Training Day
Mon 26 – Fri 30 October	School Closed	Half Term Holiday
Mon 2 November	School reopens today for teaching	
Wed 4 November	Class 3 assembly	Parents welcome – 9.15am – Infant Hall
Mon 9 – Mon 16 Nov	Travelling Book Company	Book Fair in the Library
Tues 10 November	Helping Hands Meeting	9.15 am Library
Fri 13 November	Children in Need	Non uniform – Charity event
Fri 13 November	Dragons' Den	Years 1-6 In school event
Thurs 19 November	Class 9 Assembly	Parents welcome – 9.15am – Junior Hall
Fri 20 November	Enterprise Event	Parents welcome Infants and Junior Hall
Tues 24 November	Parents' Evening	Appointment letters will be sent home with allocated times.
Week beg 30 November	Assessment week	Years 1-6
Fri 4 December	School Closed	Teacher Training Day
Tues 8 December	Pantomime Consett Empire Theatre	Jack and the Beanstalk - Years 1 – 6 1.00 pm – 4.30 pm
CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES		
Wed 9 December	Nursery Nativity Performances	10.45 am and 2.45 pm
Wed 9 December	Key Stage 2 Performances Classes 6,7,8,9,10,11 & 12	9.15 am and 2.30 pm Ticket information will follow
Thurs 10 December	Key Stage 2 Performance Classes 6,7,8,9,10,11 & 12	9.15 am Ticket information will follow
Thurs 10 December	Key Stage 1 Performance Classes 1,2,3,4 & 5	2.30 pm Ticket information will follow
Fri 11 December	Key Stage 1 Performances Classes 1,2,3,4 & 5	9.15 am and 2.30 pm Ticket information will follow
Mon 14 December	Carol Service Classes 3,4 & 5	10.00 am Delves Lane Chapel-Parents welcome
Tue 15 December	Carol Service Classes 6,7,8,9,10,11 & 12	10.00 am Delves Lane Chapel-Parents welcome
CHRISTMAS PARTIES AND WORKSHOPS		
Mon 14 December	Year 1 Christmas Party	Infant Hall
Mon 14 December	Year 6 Christmas Party	Junior Hall
Tues 15 December	Nursery Workshop	9.15 am and 12.30 pm
Tue 15 December	Year 2 Christmas Party	Infant Hall
Tue 15 December	Year 5 Christmas Party	Junior Hall
Wed 16 December	Reception Workshop	9.15 am
Wed 16 December	Year 4 Christmas Party	Junior Hall
Thurs 17 December	Nursery and Reception Party	Infant Hall
Thurs 17 December	Year 3 Christmas Party	Junior Hall
Fri 18 December	Christmas Jumper Day	Whole School charity event
Mon 21 Dec – Fri 1 Jan	School Closed	Christmas Holidays
Mon 4 January	School Closed	Teacher Training Day
Tues 5 January	School Closed	Teacher Training Day
Wednesday 6 January	School Reopens today for teaching	

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Please note-Dates may be subject to change. We will advise you of any amendments, as soon as practicable.

