



DELVES LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 19th November 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Anti-Bullying Day & Children in Need!



We have had a wonderful day of activities focusing on Anti-Bullying. The important message this year to share is 'One Kind Word'. This week in school we have been celebrating Anti-Bullying Week which is a national event in schools all over the country. The theme for this year is 'One Kind Word'. Our children have been learning to identify different types of bullying and what to do if it happens to them.



At Delves Lane Primary School, we view Children in Need as a great platform to teach our children how to be charitable and kind, and about the importance of helping others. We have used today to look at the importance of friendship and how we can all spread a little kindness every day by what we do and what we say.

A great big **"THANK YOU"** for being so kind and generous with your donations. Together we have raised a total of **£185** for Children In Need



DLPS Kindness Award

As part of our Anti-Bullying Enrichment Day today, Tom Morris from Vision Education visited us in school for celebration assemblies to hand out certificates and a small gift to children who have demonstrated outstanding acts of kindness within school. It is an initiative the company set up a few years ago called 'Kindness is Key' and it fits in nicely with this year's anti-bullying theme of 'One Kind Word'.

Well done to the following children, we are extremely proud of you.

Congratulations to	In Class	Acts of Kindness
Jacob	SAPLINGS	'Always sharing his toys with his friends in nursery.'
Levi	SEEDLINGS	'Very caring towards the other children in his class.'
Aicha	CHERRY	'Checking on her friends if they are injured or poorly.'
Wayne-Ross	HAZEL	'Asking friends in his class if they are okay regularly.'
Amelia	HAWTHORN	'Always helping her friends and others when they are stuck.'
Alisha	MAPLE	'Going out of her way to say and do kind things.'
Isla	JUNIPER	'She can always be relied upon to act thoughtfully and with care towards others.'
Kai M	WILLOW	'He is the first to look after someone in need and will always be there to give them a hug.'
Nieve	POPLAR	'She is extremely polite and thoughtful and genuinely cares about others' feelings.'
Ella	BIRCH	'Making an effort to include and help others.'
Kian	ELM	'Coming in to class with a friendly smile and positive comments.'
Brianna	PINE	'She is always happy to lend a helping hand to anyone who needs it and is always smiling.'
Leyton	ASH	'He always goes above and beyond to help others'
James	BEECH	'He shows concern for others and is very caring.'
Lily	OAK	'She is always eager to help if someone is upset or lonely.'

🌟🌍🎵 WORLD NURSERY RHYME WEEK 🌟🌍🎵

Nursery and Reception have had a fantastic week celebrating all things Nursery Rhymes! We have been learning the songs Incy Wincy Spider, Wind the bobbin up, Sleeping Bunnies, Down in the Jungle and Head, Shoulders knees and toes!

We have of course been doing lots of singing and even dressed up as Nursery Rhymes on Thursday! Have a look at our fabulous costumes! Can you tell which rhymes we are? Well done Cherry, Seedlings and Saplings classes!



Seedlings



Saplings



Cherry

Reminder - Nasal Flu Vaccine – Monday 29th November 2021

The nasal influenza vaccination is being offered nationally to every child in every school from Reception up to Year 11. The immunisation team is scheduled to visit Delves Lane Primary School on **Monday 29th November**. If you would like your child to receive this immunisation in school, please complete the required consent form by clicking on this link <https://bit.ly/3EBZsbh>

Hair & Jewellery Policy

This is a reminder to parents and carers about our school rules about hair

- Long hair (shoulder length and below) should be tied back from the face.
- Hair accessories, such as head bands, clips and slides, should be small, sensible, plain and in the school colours (blue, grey or black).
- Appropriate hair style/colour/cut - shaved designs and dyed hair colours are not acceptable.

A reminder about earrings

- Children can wear ONE pair of earrings (small plain studs ONLY)
- Children MUST be able to remove their earrings independently for ALL physical activities (PE lessons, swimming etc.)
- Parents MUST give their consent if they wish their child to wear earrings in school. An electronic indemnity form should be completed by following this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/hyix9jA3B4>

Finally, a reminder about Make-up and Nail varnish

- Make-up is not allowed to be worn in school, unless it is for the purposes of a stage production and is relevant to a child's role
- Nail varnish should not be worn in school
- False nails are not allowed to be worn for school

Our school policy is available here: <https://www.delvelanprimary.durham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/17/2021/03/Hair-and-Jewellery-Policy-March-2021-Copy-1.pdf>

School APP

All school related communication, letters, newsletters, surveys etc. can be accessed through the School Gateway App. To stay up to date with what's going on at school, please make sure you download the app for free. Just search School Gateway in your App store and download. More information here:

<https://schoolgateway.co.uk/get-started/>

Your login details will be your email address and mobile number of the main contact given to School, so please make sure the details we hold for you are up to date.

Important – Up to Date Email Addresses

As your child attends our school, it is your responsibility to ensure we have correct and up-to-date contact details for you as a parent or carer. Please let us know if you have updated your phone number or email address. We will be sending out important information for families eligible for the COVID Winter Grant Scheme via email in the coming weeks, and it is extremely important that your details are up to date. Thank you.

Is your child starting Reception in September 2022?

We have a drop-in on Wednesday 24th November between 3.30 and 4.30pm. This is for parents and carers who have children starting Reception in September 2022. You are very welcome to come along and see our Reception Class and meet our Early Years Leader, Mrs Randell and her team. Please get in touch if you have any queries at delveslaneprimary@durhamlearning.net

To apply for a Reception place at your chosen primary school, please click on this link

<https://www.durham.gov.uk/article/2189/Apply-for-a-primary-place-deadline-15-January-2022>

Christmas Dinner Day- Wednesday 15th December 2021

Please complete the following form- <https://bit.ly/3noltET> , if you would like your child to have a Christmas dinner this year. Children already on school meals will automatically have one ordered for them.

The deadline for this form is Friday 3rd December to enable us to order provisions in time, Thank you.

CALENDAR of EVENTS Autumn 2 2021

Date	Event	Information
Wednesday 24 th November	Drop in Session for Parents of New Reception Intake September 2022 3.30pm to 4.30pm	We will be hosting a drop-in session for parents and carers. Come and meet our EYFS team, who are happy to show prospective parents around our lovely provision. (Arrangements may change if DLPS has rising COVID cases)
Monday 29 th November	Flu Vaccinations for pupils	Please remember to complete the online consent form. Please click the link to take you to the consent form - https://bit.ly/3EBZsbh
Week beginning 29 th November	Assessment period	Please make sure children are on time for school and have eaten a good breakfast!
Friday 3rd December		School closed for Staff Training
Christmas Events		
Monday 6 th December	Key Stage 1 Christingle for HAZEL, HAWTHORN, MAPLE and JUNIPER Classes	In School Event Event will be recorded and shared with parents and carers.
Tuesday 7 th December	In-School Pantomime from M&M Productions – Jack & the Beanstalk Years 1,2,3 – Junior Hall Years 4.5.6 – Junior Hall	In School Event Arrangements may change if DLPS has rising COVID cases
Wednesday 8 th December	Lower Key Stage 2 (Year 3 and Year 4) – Christmas Sing-a-long for POPLAR, WILLOW, BIRCH and ELM Classes	In School Event Event will be recorded and shared with parents and carers.
Thursday 9 th December	Upper Key Stage 2 (Year 5 and 6) - Christmas Sing-a-long for PINE, ASH, BEECH & OAK Classes	In School Event Event will be recorded and shared with parents and carers.

Friday 10 th December	EYFS (Reception and Nursery) - Nativity	In School Event Event will be recorded and shared with parents and carers.
Monday 13 th December	KS1 (Year 1 and 2) – Nativity HAZEL, HAWTHOR, MAPLE and JUNIPER Classes	In School Event Event will be recorded and shared with parents and carers.
Monday 13 th December	BIRCH & ELM Class Party (Year 4)	In school event AM
Monday 13 th December	WILLOW & POPLAR Class Party (Year 3)	In school event PM
Tuesday 14 th December	CHERRY Class Party (Reception)	In school event AM
Tuesday 14 th December	SAPLINGS Class Party (Nursery)	In school event AM
Tuesday 14 th December	SEEDLINGS Class Party (Nursery)	In school event PM
Wednesday 15 th December	Christmas Dinner Day	Form has been emailed to parents
Wednesday 15 th December	HAZEL & HAWTHORN Class Party (Year 1)	In school event AM
Wednesday 15 th December	BEECH & OAK Class Party (Year 6)	In school event AM
Wednesday 15 th December	MAPLE & JUNIPER Class Party (Year 2)	In school event PM
Wednesday 15 th December	PINE & ASH Class Party (Year 5)	In school event PM
Friday 17th December 2019	End of Term – Christmas Holidays	
Monday 4th January 2022	School Closed for Staff Training	
Tuesday 5th January 2022	School Opens for Teaching	

- **Dates are correct as of November 2021**

House Points

Well done to all our House Teams this week.

Griffin = 262 points

Unicorn = 306 points

Minotaur = 351 points

Phoenix = 302 points

Minotaur House are the winners, congratulations!

Thank you for your continued support.

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Head Teacher