



DELVES LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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READY RESPECTFUL SAFE

Friday 17th March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week our children have been enjoying Science Week. Please have a look at our Facebook page where you will find lots of photographs.

Science Week Update

We've had a great Science Week here at DLPS! We've seen so many fabulous space-themed activities across the school! Our KS2 teachers are busy selecting their winners to attend the Celebration Event. Those lucky pupils will bring a letter home next week with further details. It's also great to see we've already had so much enthusiasm towards our Design a Rocket competition! Miss Jones has already seen some fantastic rocket entries! If your child would like to take part, please send all entries to school by Friday 24th March. If you would rather send a picture of the finished design, please send these to our school email address: delveslaneprimary@durhamlearning.net. Please ensure the rocket is clearly named so we know who it belongs to! Miss Jones is really looking forward to seeing them all!

Show Racism the Red Card

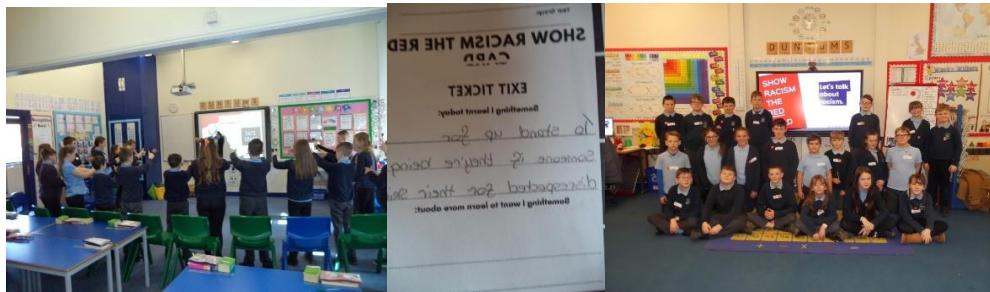
Article 2 – All children have the right to be treated fairly (non-discrimination).

On Monday, our Year 6 children took part in workshops aimed at giving children a better understanding of what racism is and how to prevent it. 'Show Racism the Red Card' is a national schools programme which hopes to tackle racism by working directly in schools where important issues can be discussed with the children. In the workshops, the children looked at the different ways people could show discrimination towards others and challenged the idea of stereotypes. The children were very interested in this topic and took part in all of the discussions confidently. Here are some of their comments:

'I learnt it can be very painful for the person who is being made fun of because of their skin colour'

'Everyone deserves respect and should be treated fairly'

'Being racist is not kind'



Class Attendance Awards

Well done to **Juniper, Willow and Oak** Classes! We hope you enjoyed the lovely cakes!

Class	Year Group	Attendance
Saplings	Nursery	87.6%



Seedlings	Nursery	75.4%
Cherry	Reception	75.6%
Hazel	Year 1	85.4%
Hawthorn	Year 1	83.3%
Maple	Year 2	88.8%
Juniper	Year 2	93.8%
Willow	Year 3	97.6%
Poplar	Year 3	90.7%
Birch	Year 4	96.0%
Elm	Year 4	85.3%
Pine	Year 5	90.8%
Ash	Year 5	88.2%
Beech	Year 6	93.5%
Oak	Year 6	95.2%

A Big Thank You!

We would like to thank AA Paving for donating one tonne of soil to DLPS. They were kind enough to deliver it for free as well! The children in Reception have had a great time this week starting to plant some bulbs.

We have also had a donation of tractor tyres this week from Mrs Shaw's farm. Mr Churchyard came along and delivered the tyres whilst the children watched. Since then, they've worked hard to fill the tyre with old leaves, rocks and wood that have been found round the site (Mr Almond has helped too). We hope to make the tyre into a small world area where they can play with dinosaurs or farm animals. Any donations of dinosaurs would be gratefully received.

Can we please also ask for any donations for our junk modelling area? We are running low on yogurt pots, empty toilet and kitchen rolls as well as cereal boxes. Please drop off at cherry or hawthorn class door. Thank you for your support.

Thank you from Mrs Allister-Webb and Miss Kirkbride.



OPAL News

Our children would love some buckets and spades and other sand toys for the sand pit and mud kitchen. Do any of our families have any spare buckets, spades, trowels, rakes or scoops that you can donate to school? Our children would be very grateful for any donations. Thank you.



Golden Welly Award

Golden Welly		
Name	Class	Reason for Nomination
Andrew & Mason	Maple	Taking turns when playing with the Frisbee.
Emmie	Elm	Fantastic imaginative play in the boat created her own café on an island.
Zoe, Bentley, Leo, Alfie & Olly	Pine	For amazing team work building a snowman and showing "teamwork makes the dream work"





Celebration Assembly Weekly Awards – 17th February 2023!

Please see our super Stars and Readers this week. We are very proud of all our children, well done!

Class	SOTW	ROTW
Saplings	Octavia	
Seedlings	Nancy-Leigh	
Cherry	Adam	Betty
Hazel	Jaime-Leigh	Luna Main
Hawthorn	Ollie	Kaylen
Maple	Connie	Charlie
Juniper	Eva	David
Willow	Chanade	Daniel
Poplar	Layla	Alistair
Birch	Thea	Kelvin
Elm	Kai Moore	Kai Heppell
Pine	Ella W	Lizzie-May
Ash	Emilia	Jake
Beech	Brianna	Imogen
Oak	Alfie	Lilly Mae

House Points

Please see our house points for this week:

Date:	Griffin	Unicorn	Minotaur	Phoenix
				
17/03/2023	1067	1084	1263	1097

Well done, Minotaur fantastic news!

Important Reminder - Parents Evening

Parents and carers will be invited into school for a Parents Evening on Monday 27th March for most classes. Please see further details below.

We have sent out a paper copy of our Parents Evening Appointment Slip this week. This will have come home with your child. Please tick your appointment preference and your child's class teacher will do their best to accommodate your request. **This needs to be returned to school no later than Thursday 23rd March 2023.**

Monday 27th March 2023	<p>Parents Evening from 3.30 – 5.30pm</p> <p>Infant hall for Saplings, Hawthorn, Hazel, Maple & Juniper classes</p> <p>Junior Hall for Poplar, Willow, Birch, Elm, Pine, Ash, Oak & Beech classes</p>	<p>Information in newsletter 10th March 2023.</p> <p>Parental appointment slips will be sent out by Friday 17th March 2023</p>
Tuesday 28th March 2023	<p>Parents Evening from 3.30 – 5.30pm</p> <p>Infant hall for Seedlings class</p>	<p>Information in newsletter 10th March 2023.</p> <p>Parental appointment slips will be sent out by Friday 17th March 2023</p>
Wednesday 29th March 2023	<p>Parents Evening from 3.30 – 5.30pm</p> <p>Infant hall for Cherry class</p>	<p>Information in newsletter 10th March 2023.</p> <p>Parental appointment slips will be sent out by Friday 17th March 2023</p>
Wednesday 29th March 2023	<p>Meeting for Parents of new Nursery children</p>	<p>Junior Hall - 3.30pm – 4.15pm</p> <p>All new parents have received letters</p>

How is your child's Sponsored Read going?

Has your child managed to read 26 times yet? Mrs Allister-Webb cannot hear which books our children would like school to purchase when the sponsored read finishes on Friday 24th March. Please can all sponsor money be handed into school by 31st March. All money raised will used to buy books for children to read. If children have lost their sponsor forms, please encourage them to ask their teacher for a replacement. 📖❤️

Thank you for all your support from Mrs Allister-Webb.



Reminder - After School Childcare

Due to whole school staff training, CHILDCARE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY 20th MARCH. We apologise for any inconvenience this causes.

Assessment Week

Next week is Assessment Week for Years 1 to 5 (Hawthorn, Hazel, Maple, Juniper, Poplar, Willow, Elm, Birch, Pine, Ash Classes). Please make sure children are on time for school and have eaten a good breakfast!

Breakfast Club and Childcare

Please can we remind parents and carers that Breakfast club starts at **7.50am**. No child will be admitted to Breakfast club before **7.50am**. Please can we ask that you do not park in the school car park to drop off/collect your child/ren.

How do I book?

Bookings **MUST** be made and paid for in advance by emailing Childcare Club bookings email address - clubbookings@delveslane.co.uk. Payments should be made via ParentPay when booking has been confirmed by the school office.

Please remember we require 24 hours notice for breakfast and childcare club, **the club bookings email is only checked between the hours of 8.00am and 3.00pm Monday – Friday**. Please be mindful of this when you are emailing to book a place for your child. If it is an urgent booking it is best if you call the school office to ensure the space is available and booked on time.

Parent Pay

Please can all parents/carers log into ParentPay and clear any arrears for dinner money, breakfast club and after school childcare by the end of this half term. Thank you.

Lunch Arrangements

Please remember the school office require two weeks' notice for any meal arrangements to be changed, i.e. changes from packed lunch to school dinners and vice versa. If you have recently changed your child's meal arrangements and have not notified the school office, could you please contact them. If you do not inform the school office of the changes this may result in you being charged for school dinners your child has not had.

A busy week of School Trips next week...

The following school trips are due to take place next week

Date	Event	Information
Monday 20 th March 2023	Nursery trip to Hall Hill Farm (Saplings)	All letters have been sent out for School Trips taking place this month.
Tuesday 21 st March 2023	Nursery trip to Hall Hill Farm (Seedlings)	
Wednesday 22 nd March 2023	Hazel (Year 1) class trip – Northumberland Zoo	
Friday 24 th March 2023	Year 2 (Maple & Juniper Classes) trip to Hall Hill Farm	

We think our children are going to have a wonderful time, and we can't wait to hear all about it!

Nursery Trips - Saplings Monday 20th March and Seedlings Tuesday 21st March

A few reminders for our class trips to Hall Hill Farm next week. Please can all children and accompanying adults bring a packed lunch and drinks for the day. We will be leaving the school promptly on the coach at 9.30am, can you arrive at nursery from 8.40am and make sure you arrive before 9am as we need to get everyone registered and a quick toilet check for children before we leave.

The Itinerary for the day is;

9.45-10am - Arrive at the Farm

Morning

Introduction talks from the guides
Rabbit and chick handling
Animal feeding
Feed the lambs
11.30-12.30 Lunch and play barn

Afternoon

Tractor Ride
Visit more animals
2.30pm Coach back to school

Can children please wear comfy footwear for the day. We are looking forward to it! 😊

There will be no nursery session for Seedlings (afternoon nursery) on Monday 20th March and no session for Saplings on Tuesday 21st March.

Plea to Parents/Carers

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Calendar of Events

Please click on the link here to find out what events are happening this term [DLPS Calendar of Events Spring & Summer 2023](#)

Thank you for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend.

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Head Teacher