



DELVES LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 5th May 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to remind families that school will be closed on Monday 8th May (Bank Holiday). We will be open again on Tuesday 9th May.

Kings Charles III Coronation Day

Delves Lane Primary School had a wonderful day yesterday celebrating the coronation of King Charles III. Our school has been a sea of red, white and blue! The children have had an excellent time working with visitors from Bigfoot education to help plan the official coronation celebrations. We have seen some beautiful art work to commemorate the occasion, from plates to stained glass windows and everything in between. Look out for more news on our Facebook page about Coronation Day!

Our local MP's Coronation Card Competition

Some children in Juniper class entered a Coronation Card competition which our local MP Richard Holden invited us to take part in. Although the children didn't win, Richard wrote a letter to each of the card designers. Well done to you all, we are very proud!



Year 6 Pupils

To our Year 6 children,

On Tuesday 9th May, SATs week will begin and you will sit a range of tests starting with Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPAG). The hard work that you have put in over the past year is incredible.

Throughout your time here at Delves Lane Primary School, we know that we have incredibly talented, kind, and hardworking pupils that we are all extremely proud of.

You have matured into individuals that will no doubt have incredible adventures ahead. We believe in all of you! From all the staff at DLPS



Early Years Coronation Celebrations

Reception and Nursery (Cherry, Hawthorn, Seedlings and Saplings) are all celebrating the King's Coronation next week. We anticipate the children will know lots more about the Coronation and King Charles after upcoming events at the weekend. We'd love the children to dress up again next Friday in either red, white and blue (princess dresses and suits are also welcomed) for our very own street party. We'll be singing, dancing, having a tea party, a crown parade and will be playing games such as musical thrones. By having the celebration after the Coronation, we hope it will be more meaningful for our youngest children.

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Year 6 Breakfast Club

Our Year 6 children start their SATS on Tuesday 9th May. Children from Oak and Beech classes are invited to a free breakfast club in the junior hall from 8am next week. We look forward to seeing as many of our children attend next week.

Breakfast Club Arrangements next week

The normal infant and junior breakfast club will take place in the infant hall for next one only. Thank you.

Year 1 Visit

Hazel Class went to the multi-skills festival at Greenland Primary School this week. The children were really well behaved, completed all the tasks asked of them and with the biggest smiles on their faces!



Online Safety

Wizz is a social networking app that allows users to chat live with people from around the world. In similar fashion to a dating app, it facilitates conversations with people that users would not ordinarily meet – but of course, making connections to individuals online brings its own self-evident potential safety issues.

Parents are advised that the recommended age for accessing WIZZ is 12+ years old.

We have attached a poster for families, 'What parent's and carers need to know about WIZZ. Please check what

your child is accessing online, and discuss the dangers.

If you do have any concerns about Online Safety, please contact the school and we will get in touch to offer support. Thank you.

Class Attendance Awards

Well done to **Cherry, Willow & Pine** Classes! We hope you enjoyed the lovely cakes!

Class	Year Group	Attendance
Saplings	Nursery	83.3%
Seedlings	Nursery	79.4%
Cherry	Reception	94.2%
Hazel	Year 1	91.7%
Hawthorn	Year 1	82.4%
Maple	Year 2	80.0%
Juniper	Year 2	89.0%
Willow	Year 3	98.8%
Poplar	Year 3	83.3%
Birch	Year 4	79.2%
Elm	Year 4	79.4%
Pine	Year 5	96.5%
Ash	Year 5	94.7%
Beech	Year 6	86.2%
Oak	Year 6	95.2%



OPAL News

Watch this space because coming soon... OPAL Bingo is back!! More details to follow.

Golden Welly		
Name	Class	Reason for Nomination
Ella-Mae,, Lilly-Mae, Poppy, Sophie, Kendal	Cherry	For good imagination play in different areas.
All of Elm Class	Elm	For designing and creating a hotel and café as a team.

Celebration Assembly Weekly Awards – 21st April 2023!





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

Class	SOTW	ROTW
Saplings	Grace	
Seedlings	Austin	
Cherry	Rose	Lilly-Rose
Hazel	Leo	Luna
Hawthorn	Ellie-Mai	Odhran
Maple	Riley	Mason S

Juniper	David	Sam
Willow	Miles	Lily
Poplar	Aria	Hylton
Birch	Hayden	Natalia
Elm	Jace	Leona
Pine	Martyna	Leo
Ash	Sofia	Martyna
Beech	Jake	Aaron
Oak	Melissa	Lucie

House Points

Please see our house points for this week:

Date:	Griffin 	Unicorn 	Minotaur 	Phoenix 
04/05/2023	348	370	429	604

Well done, Phoenix fantastic news!

PLEASE, NO TOYS FROM HOME

This includes cards, toy cars, etc. Lost, damaged, and traded toys cause many avoidable conflicts and disappointments. Please keep your toys safe at home! Thank you.

JEWELLERY

In the interest of safety, we strongly encourage children NOT to wear jewellery in school. This includes any form of fashion band worn around the wrist. Jewellery can present a risk of injury to the wearer and to others, and our aim is to keep children safe from harm at school.

Delves Lane Primary is an OPAL school (Outdoor Play and Learning) and some of the curriculum is taught through structured play and outdoor learning. We STRONGLY ADVISE that children do not wear earrings in school.

Earrings

Should you choose to allow your child to wear earrings in school now or in the future, despite the Health and Safety risks, the following information applies:

- 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>

Anti-Social Behaviour in the community

We are receiving regular reports about some anti-social behaviour in our local community. We would like parents and carers to ensure that your child is safe and behaving appropriately at all times.

We ask that you know where your child is, what they are doing and who they are associating with. Children should be allowed the opportunity to develop, explore and play, but this must not be at the expense of theirs and others safety and quality of life. As children do not always appreciate the risks in certain situations or fully understand the consequences of their behaviour; it is the responsibility of parents, guardians and carers to keep them safe. It is important to remember the age of criminal responsibility is 10 years of age.

Please ensure that when your children are playing outside they do so only in appropriate, safe areas, and that they remain under the supervision of a responsible person at all times. Please show consideration for your neighbours and community and do not allow your child to become involved in anti-social behaviour.

Thank you for your support with this matter.

Booking system for Breakfast Club & After School Childcare

Thank you to all parents/carers who have already started to use our new booking system.

Places must be booked using this system. [Please make sure you answer all questions on the form and click 'submit'; to ensure we receive your response.](#)

[Please note if you book and your child does not attend you will still be charged unless your child is poorly or you have given 24hours notice.](#)

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](#)

Please have a look at the calendar of events. We have lots of events planned for this term.

Some dates to add:

- Reminder – The school is closed for the Bank Holidays on Monday Monday 8th May
- Key Stage 2 (Year 6 SATS) take place from Tuesday 9th May until Friday 12th May
- Year 2 SATS take place week beginning 15th May and week beginning 22nd May 2023
- Year 1 (Hazel Class) Assembly – Thursday 18th May at 2.40pm in the Infant Hall
- Year 3 (Poplar & Willow) Visit to Sunderland Winter Gardens – Thursday 18th May
- Year 5 (Pine & Ash) Visit to Beamish Museum – Tuesday 23rd May

Exciting News!

We are currently working in the background on our new MIS system Arbor. In the next half term we will be launching the Arbor Parent Portal for all payments and communications. The portal will enable you to easily see your child's attendance, make changes to personal details and any consent information.

To support everyone with the transition from ParentPay to Arbor we are holding some face to face and online parent workshops towards the end of this half term, these workshops are an opportunity for Mrs Woods and some of the admin team to support parents in the set up of the parent portal and give guidance of how to use this, the dates of these workshops are as follows:

- Coffee Morning - Tuesday 23rd May 2023 – 9.00am – 10.30am – Junior Hall
- Zoom Meeting – Thursday 25th May 2023 – 4.00pm – 5.00pm

If you wish to attend either of these meetings, please could you book using this form <https://bit.ly/3VzrpKq>

If you can't attend either of the meetings and would like some support please also use the form to state this so we can contact you to arrange an alternative time.

The Admin Team are here to support everyone with the new systems so please do not worry, we will work together to ensure a smooth and stress-free transition.



Pupil News

Last weekend Brianna from Elm Class in Year 4, was walking to the shops and found some money on the ground. Instead of taking it to the shops and spending it, she turned around and brought the money back to her Mum. The family posted on Facebook to see if anyone had lost it, as Brianna wanted it to be returned to the rightful owner. Nobody had claimed the money last Tuesday, so the family took it to the police station to see if anyone had reported any money missing. The police will keep it for 2 weeks and if it's not claimed, Brianna will be rewarded for her honesty by being able to claim the money for herself. Well done Brianna, for being such a kind and thoughtful girl, we are all very proud of you!

Thank you for your continued support. Have a lovely bank holiday weekend. School will open again to all classes on Tuesday 9th May 2023.

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Head Teacher