



DELVES LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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READY RESPECTFUL SAFE

Friday 12th May 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope all our families enjoyed the additional bank holiday to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III.

Year 6 Pupils

SATS week is over and we are all very proud of our oldest pupils. They have all worked so hard this week, well done to you all! Have a great weekend, enjoy the sunshine and have fun! 😊

Walk to School Week

Next week, (15th May- 19th May) is 'Walk to School Week'. Walking can be great for your mental health and well-being as well as your physical health. This is a fantastic opportunity to get some exercise in before school starts. This year's theme is 'Walk with Wildlife'. Each day there is a quote to share with classes giving them some information about why and how walking to school can be beneficial to them. Each child who participates will receive a sticker every day they walk to school and there will be a certificate for those children who complete walk to school week next Friday. We understand that sometimes it is not possible for you to walk all the way to school therefore children who walk from the car to the gate will be able to participate. All children will be able to discuss with their teacher how it is making them feel and pledge to continue to walk to school in the future. We hope to see lots of you joining in!

Year 4 Bikeability Level 1 Training - Friday 9th June

After half term, pupils in Year 4 (Birch & Elm) will have the opportunity to take part in the Durham County Councils Bikeability Cycle Program. The course is aimed at helping our children learn how to use their bikes safely whilst in the community and is not a learn to ride course. If you would like your child to take part, please return the paper consent form brought home by your child or submit your form electronically via the QR code included in the letter. Forms must be returned by no later than Friday 26th May so we can pass the relevant information on to the tutors leading the training. We hope to see many of our pupils take part in what is always a fun and exciting day!

Breakfast Club Arrangements

Breakfast Club will return to normal next week with our younger children from Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 2 having breakfast in the infant hall. All Key Stage 2 children, those in Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 will have their breakfast in the Junior Hall. Please make sure your child does not arrive before 7.50am. Thank you.

Online Safety

We work to help children keep safe online. Some pupils coming into school, are having some difficult times online. From inappropriate content to the toxic behaviour of others and accessing highly inappropriate websites, online harms can do long-lasting damage. That's why we're very keen to help our children build their digital resilience – equipping them to deal with digital dangers. This week's guide, which is attached to this newsletter, has a selection of tips for encouraging safe and healthy online habits.

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 **Juniper, Willow and Ash** Classes! We hope you enjoyed the lovely cakes!

Class	Year Group	Attendance
Saplings	Nursery	90.5%
Seedlings	Nursery	87.3%
Cherry	Reception	95.8%
Hazel	Year 1	91.7%
Hawthorn	Year 1	82.4%
Maple	Year 2	74.2%
Juniper	Year 2	100.0%
Willow	Year 3	95.2%
Poplar	Year 3	82.7%
Birch	Year 4	89.6%
Elm	Year 4	88.2%
Pine	Year 5	91.2%
Ash	Year 5	96.5%
Beech	Year 6	89.6%
Oak	Year 6	93.7%



OPAL News

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

Golden Welly		
Name	Class	Reason for Nomination
Bianna and Imogen	Beech	For playing with a year 4 child, they have spent their playtimes and lunchtimes making up games to encourage him to leave an adult.
Byron and Darcy	Maple	For using their imagination and creating a lovely home with lots of OPAL loose parts with their friends.

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	Elsie-Lu	
Seedlings	Ella	
Cherry	James	Sophie
Hazel	Zuzanna	Elsie
Hawthorn	Lochlaan	Kaique
Maple	Millie-Mae	Mason H
Juniper	Malik	Thomas

Willow	Layla	Nico
Poplar	Ava H	Ava F
Birch	Cory	Jack
Elm	Romi	Leandra
Pine	Anamaria	Charlotte
Ash	Alexis	Matilda
Beech	Beech Class	Leyton
Oak	Oak Class	David Wilson

House Points

Please see our house points for this week:

Date:	Griffin	Unicorn	Minotaur	Phoenix
				
12/05/2023	610	763	702	706

Well done, Unicorns, fantastic news!

Booking system for Breakfast Club & After School Childcare

Thank you to all parents/carers who are using 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.

IMPORTANT – we have a new link for the booking form to make this a more efficient system, please use this link from today <https://bit.ly/42sDEeD> you will need to complete separate forms for each club (breakfast and After School Childcare), you will also need to complete separate forms per child.

Spare Clothes

Do you have any spare or preloved socks and/or tights for girls, ages 7+ to fit junior aged pupils?

We also require spare or pre-loved uniform aged 9 to 10years + for boys and girls.

Fundraise and Recycle Limited

This is a north-east based family ran company, that specialise in the recycling of unwanted and unloved clothing and goods for collection and redistribution.

DLPS is part of their "School Connect Project".

The project seeks to engage school children and young people in recycling unwanted clothes, shoes and textiles whilst at the same time raising funds for our school. Please pop any unwanted clothing, shoes and textiles into our clothes bank outside the main office. Thank you!



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:

- Walk to School Week – 15th to 19th May 2023
- 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
- ARBOR Coffee Morning - Tuesday 23rd May 2023 – 9.00am – 10.30am – Junior Hall
- ARBOR Zoom Meeting – Thursday 25th May 2023 – 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Non-Uniform Day – Friday 26th May
- OPAL Event – Friday 26th May, details to follow

Exciting News! (REMINDER)

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.



Newsletter for Kicks Club

MONTHLY YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

April 2023

DELVES LANE, VILLAGE HALL, DH8 7BH

EVERY TUESDAY EVENING

- 8-12 YEAR OLD, 5-6 PM
- PROJECT HOUR, 6-7 PM
- 13-18 YEAR OLD, 7-8PM



This document provides a snapshot of the Foundation of Light delivery of Kicks programmes and is completed by members of our youth forum.



Quote from YP

"I love coming to Kicks, I have attended for 4 years and don't like missing sessions. I feel as a young person we can make a difference"

Next month at Kicks we will be...

- Delivering our project presentation to secure funding for the youth club
- Taking part in a laser battle challenge
- Setting our timetable for the next term
- Taking part in more games, activities and challenges.



FOUNDATION OF LIGHT

This month in Kicks we have...

- Completing a kayaking tutorial at the Sea Cadets in Chester Le Street
- Engaged in a River Wear clean up paddling 9.5 mile by raft and kayak collecting rubbish on the way.
- Completed our project presentation for the funding application ready to present in May.
- Carried out a budgeting activity.
- Worked on creating a video advert.



STAFF QUOTE

I was really impressed with how some of the group handled the Kayaking challenge talking leadership roles and working to keep the groups to deadlines.
Craig, Kicks Manager

WHY NOT COME AND JOIN US AT DELVES LANE VILLAGE HALL IN 2023? SIMPLY TURN UP AND COMPLETE A REGISTRATION FORM.

For more information contact me at

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Pupil News

Imogen Wallace in Poplar Class has achieved some fantastic trophies this year in many of her dance competitions. She travels all over the country with her dance group to compete in various dances. Here she is with her winner's trophy for first place in slow at Scunthorpe. Well done Imogen!



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

B Woods

Mrs B Woods
Head Teacher