



DELVES LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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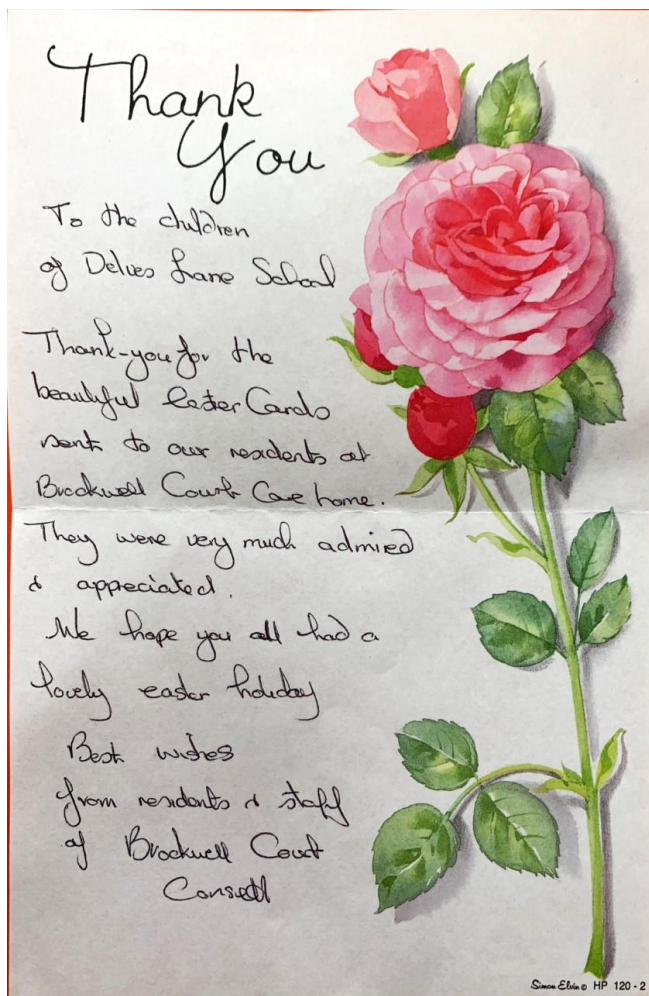
Dear Parent/Carer

We would like to welcome back all our children to school and hope everyone had a lovely Easter break. As we move through the Summer Term, we hope to see further COVID-19 restrictions start to lift for everyone so that we can all enjoy spending more time with family and friends.

Easter Cards

Before Easter, our children made Easter Cards for residents and staff in care homes across Consett. Tracey, the Community Champion from Morrisons contacted us today to say a big 'thank you'.

"I would like to say a massive thank you to all the staff and children who made me Easter cards to donate to the local care homes. They were amazing and highly appreciated".



We received this lovely thankyou note this morning from Brockwell Court Care home and would like to share it with your all.



Non-Uniform Day on Friday 30th April – Captain Tom 100

Friday 30th April would have been Captain Tom's 101st birthday and to honour him and celebrate his amazing achievements, Delves Lane Primary School will be fundraising for The Captain Tom Foundation. We would like all of our children to take part in the Captain Tom 100. Children will be undertaking challenges around the number 100 on that day and we hope to raise lots of pennies for the Foundation, in memory of this remarkable man.

Children can attend school in non-uniform on Friday 30th April in exchange for a donation (every little bit helps) which can be made via ParentPay, choosing the Captain Tom option. If you are unable to access ParentPay, you can send donations into school in an envelope marked with your child's name and class. Thank you for your kind support with our fundraising efforts, it's very much appreciated.

Morning Drop Off/Afternoon Collection Times

Please can we remind parents and carers to continue to socially distance outside the school gates every morning and afternoon. You must continue to wear face masks or coverings when coming on to our site. This is because it might be difficult to socially distance at drop off and collection times. Thank you.

Uniform at DLPS

This term, children should be wearing school uniform to school every day, unless they are wearing their PE kit (see PE Days below). Please can you put your child's name in all items of uniform. Jumpers especially often get misplaced and they are more likely to be reunited with their owner if they are named.

Our school uniform:

- Navy blue or grey trousers/skirt
- Pale blue polo shirt or blouse
- Navy blue jumper/cardigan
- Suitable sturdy shoes (not sandals, Ugg style boots or crocs)
- Blue checked dresses and grey shorts are suitable for the summer
- Plain navy jogging bottoms and navy hoodie (for PE use only)
- Navy shorts and white/pale blue t-shirt (for PE use only)

PE Days

We are asking children to wear their PE kit to school on the days they have PE this term. Please make sure children dress for the weather. You may well need to supply a jumper/sweatshirt, track suit bottoms, and other warm clothing, etc. as they may be outside for some sessions. Thank you

Class	PE Day
Nursery AM	Friday
Nursery PM	Friday
Class 1	Thursday
Class 2	Thursday
Class 3	Monday & Tuesday
Class 4	Monday & Tuesday
Class 5	Wednesday
Class 6	Wednesday
Class 7	Wednesday
Class 8	Wednesday
Class 9	Thursday
Class 10	Thursday
Class 11	Tuesday
Class 12	Tuesday
Class 13	Monday
Class 14	Monday

Contact Details

We can't stress just how important it is to inform the school office of any changes to your contact information. We **MUST** have up to date telephone numbers so we can contact you or another named person, in the event of an emergency, sickness or to discuss other important matters.

If your personal circumstances change and you have moved house or need to remove/add contacts to your child's record please inform us immediately.

A copy of the contact information we have on your child's record is available from the school office, please just ask a member of the admin team and they will be happy to provide it.



We need your donations for OPAL!

Are you having a Spring Clean or sort at home? Do you have any of the following equipment for our OPAL provision:

- Windmills
- Sand Toys
- Plant Pots
- Water Wheels
- Wind Chimes
- Old Musical Instruments
- Christmas Tree Baubles
- Old school trousers – aged 10 years +

We would be very grateful for any donations you are able to provide. Thank you 😊

House points

Every week we will report the House Points for each team at DLPS. This week each team scored:

- Griffin = 312 points
- Unicorn = 291 points
- Minotaur = 308 points
- Phoenix = 301 points

Griffin House are the winners! Well done Griffin 😊

Star of the Week

We will be sharing our Star of the Week News next Friday 23rd April 2021.

Water Bottles

Children must bring water bottles to school every day. **ONLY WATER IS ALLOWED IN WATER BOTTLES.** Children will drink and refill their bottles from our water coolers regularly throughout the day.

Water keeps us healthy! It has none of the health problems associated with drinks containing sugar, additives, sweeteners, acids or caffeine. To help keep teeth healthy, as well as brushing teeth regularly and visiting the dentist, we should cut down on added sugars. These are the sugars found in fizzy drinks and juice drinks. Thank you for your support with this.

COVID-19 Procedures – Summer First Half Term (Until further notice)

For the beginning of the Summer term, we will continue with the COVID-19 measures we have in place at DLPS. This includes:

- Staggered drop-off and collections times
- Children wear PE kit to school on PE days
- Handwashing throughout the school day
- Catch coughs and sneezes in a tissue, dispose of the tissue and clean hands
- Face coverings to be worn by staff in communal areas of school, and where adults cannot socially distance
- Parents & Carers to wear face coverings when they drop off and collect children from school
- Children remain in Year Group bubbles until further notice
- Children in Classes 5 to 14 continue to have lunches in classrooms
- Staff will test twice weekly, including during school holidays
- Enhanced cleaning measures will remain in place
- Occupied spaces will be well ventilated
- Anyone with symptoms or required to self-isolate due to COVID-19, must remain at home
- Schools can take part in educational day visits from 12 April 2021

Staggered Drop off and collection Times for Children – Summer First Half Term

Children **must be dropped off and collected at the times below**. Times haven't changed since the Autumn Term.

<u>Year Groups</u>	<u>School Start Time</u>	<u>End/Collection Time</u>
Nursery AM	8.45am	11.45am
Nursery PM	12.15pm	3.05pm
Reception (Class 1 & 2)	8.45am	3.05pm
Year 1 & 2 (Classes 3,4,5,6)	8.55am	3.15pm
Year 3 & 4 (Classes 7,8,9,10)	8.45am	3.05pm
Year 5 & 6 (Classes 11,12,13 14)	8.35am	2.55pm
Families with Siblings in Classes 11, 12, 13 & 14	8.35am	See class times
Families with Siblings in Classes Nursery, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10	8.45am	See class times

Events – April 2021

We will be sending out a more detailed calendar of events early next term, as the COVID restrictions begin to relax. Thank you

Date	Event	Information
W/C Monday 26 th April	Remote Parents Evening	More information will follow in a letter on Monday 19 th April 2021
Friday 30 th April	Non-Uniform Day	Captain Tom 100 Challenge – School Fundraiser
Monday 3 rd May	Bank Holiday	SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 4 th May	School re-opens to ALL Pupils	

Please keep an eye out for a letter next Monday regarding Parents Evening. Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend.

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Head Teacher