



# DELVES LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## LEARN, ACHIEVE, INSPIRE

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been another busy week here at Delves Lane Primary School. The children's smiles have cheered us up even though the weather has been miserable outside. Miss Kelly our Maths leader completed a learning walk with me at the beginning of the week. We were delighted to see children working so hard in their Maths lessons. The children listened well to their teachers and showed resilience when working through Math's challenges. Well done boys and girls!

### After School Clubs

As we move into the second half of the Summer Term, we are delighted to announce that we are once again able to offer a wide range of exciting afterschool clubs to keep our pupils entertained and develop them as young individuals! Please use the following link to view the afterschool club timetable for next half term- <https://bit.ly/2QFQ8zW>, this also contains further information about the clubs on offer. Please use this link to apply for places- <https://bit.ly/3hKcGdJ>. We can't wait to see many excited faces once again taking part in our afterschool clubs very soon!

The clubs will begin from Week Commencing 7th June and run for four weeks.

### Year 6 – Kingswood 'High Adrenaline' Day Visit – 5<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Year 6 parents and carers should all have received a letter last week about the fantastic day out we have offered to our year 6 children. Over half the class have already signed up for this exciting day out and there's still time to complete the online form here- <https://bit.ly/3vaOIMC>. We must have your deposits by next Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May (before 12pm). If you are having any problems accessing the online form, please get in touch with a member of the admin team.

### Online Safety

It can be hard to know how to talk to your child about online safety. From setting up parental controls to advice on social media, online games and video apps. The NSPCC can help you to understand the risks and keep your child safe. Please find more advice here: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Our PSCO is visiting school next half term to talk to some year groups about online safety.

### Attendance

School attendance is mandatory for all pupils and the usual rules on school attendance apply. If you need help with attendance you must talk to the school about it as soon as possible. More information about school attendance is in the link below:

<https://www.delveslaneprimary.durham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/17/2020/12/Attendance-Policy-Information-for-Parents-Leaflet-DLPS-Sept-20.pdf>

### Lateness

School starts between 8.35 and 8.55am (Staggered times due to the pandemic). Your child will receive a late mark if they arrive after 9.00am. If your child arrives after 9.15am, they will receive an unauthorised absence mark (U Code) which will affect their overall attendance percentage.



## **Uniform**

Please can we remind parents that children **must** attend school wearing full school uniform every day, unless they have PE lessons. Children should come into school wearing their PE kits on the days they are timetabled for a PE lesson.

### **Our school uniform consists of:**

- Navy blue or grey skirt or trousers
- Pale blue polo shirt or blouse
- Navy blue jumper or cardigan (not a hooded top!)
- Suitable sturdy shoes (not sandals, Ugg style boots, Crocs or laces)
- Suitable hairstyles – no shaved patterns in hair and long hair must be tied back from the face with a bobble
- Blue checked dresses and grey shorts are suitable for the summer

### **Children should not be wearing hooded tops/PE hoodies as jumpers in school.**

Uniform can be ordered through this website: <https://sandnworkwear.co.uk/school-wear/Delves%20Lane>  
Sweatshirts, cardigans, polo shirts and coats/hoodies will be embroidered with the school logo.

## **Walk to School Week**

We would like to say a big thank you to all our families for joining in with 'Walk to School Week' this week. It has been fantastic to see so many of our children joining in and coming to school in many ways. The children have talked about the benefits that it has had on their learning and how great they have felt this week. Walking to school has so many benefits for our physical and mental health and we hope to see lots of you continuing this going forward.

## **Coats**

Please ensure that your child arrives at school with an appropriate coat, as our weather can be very changeable at the moment. We are an OPAL school and go out in all weathers. We have had a lot of soggy bottoms on chairs this week! Can we also remind parents and carers that children should bring in spare old shoes or wellies so they can have the full outdoor experience we have on offer.

## **School Meals**

Don't forget our school meal menu is having a revamp. This will start on Monday 7th June when we return to school. Use the link: <https://bit.ly/3vxw8ye> to select the meal option your child would like.

Please sit down with your child and choose meal options together. We want their lunch times to be a positive experience but last term had a lot of children changing their mind or saying that they didn't like the option that had been chosen for them. Unfortunately, once an option has been chosen it cannot be changed unless a parent contacts the school office to request this.

## **Uniform plea!**

If you have any spare uniform at home please could you donate it to school? We are particularly in need of older boy's trousers aged 7/8, 9/10, 11/12 years. Thank you.

## *Star of the Week*

This week we our Stars of the Week will have their certificates presented in Class.

Congratulations to	In Class	What have they been up to?
Lochlaan	Nursery AM	'Excellent reading of 'The Gruffalo' with a friend and Miss Forbes.'
Oscar	Nursery PM	'Excellent listening and participation during phonics.'
Sam	Class 1	'An amazing hard-working attitude'
Daniel	Class 2	'He has had a great week'
Aiden	Class 3	'Fantastic effort in all of his work'
Roman	Class 4	'Trying very hard in all of his lessons, especially maths.'
Emily	Class 5	'Always following instructions and trying hard.'
Jace	Class 6	'Amazing writing. He remembered all the skills we have learned and created a wonderful story'
Harley	Class 7	'Working hard and listening really well'
James	Class 8	'Working hard to try and improve his concentration and develop into an independent learner'
Poppie-Ann	Class 9	'Excellent role model in Class 9. The first to achieve 20 merits'
Noah	Class 10	'Trying extremely hard to manage his emotions.'
Kayne	Class 11	'Producing some fabulous work in Maths and Science this week'
Jack	Class 12	'Joining in our work learning about telling the time'
Emillie	Class 13	'A kind and polite member of class. She is working hard and has made lots of progress'
Milly	Class 14	'Excellent effort with her work.'

## House points

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

Griffin = 198 points

Unicorn = 201 points

Minotaur = 200 points

Phoenix = 213 points

## Phoenix House are the winners! Well done!



### Reminder - Events Calendar

We are still busy planning trips and events for the remainder of this term and will share a more detailed calendar of events in the next two weeks as we are able to book in more events.

Date	Event	Information
W/C Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Remote Parents Evening	More information will follow in a letter on Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2021
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Bank Holiday	SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	School re-opens to ALL Pupils	
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Science Week	Children in Classes 7 to 14 will be taking part in Science Week. We will share photographs via our Facebook Page.

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Walk to School Week	See above
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Steel Works Project	In – School Event
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Meeting for Parents of Children new to 2-Year-Old Provision and Nursery in Sept 2021	Details will follow
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Steel Works Project	In – School Event
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Meeting to Parents of Children new to Reception in Sept 2021	Details will follow
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June to Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Bikeability Training for Year 6 (Classes 13 & 14)	In – School Event
Week Commencing 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Assessment Week Children need to have a good sleep and a hearty breakfast for Assessment Week	In-School Event
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 6 (Classes 13 & 14) Beamish Museum Trip Trip linked to work on Consett Steelworks	More details to follow

Thank you for your continued support. We hope you have a lovely weekend.

*R Woods*

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