



# DELVES LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## LEARN, ACHIEVE, INSPIRE

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

We would like to thank all our children, parents and carers, staff and governors for all your support during what is proving to be a challenging time, during our last few days of the Summer term. For any individual children, who now need to stay in self-isolation until the summer holidays, we are very sorry! We will send any messages out to you, and pass on any important resources. We are thinking of you.

### COVID-19 Update

The government has announced this week, that COVID-19 will become a virus that we all learn to live with.

**From Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July**, the country will move to Step 4 of the Road Map. This will mean for parents, carers and schools that:

- Nationally, education and childcare settings are open, and attendance is mandatory (for schools)
- The Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health has made it clear that the overwhelming majority of children and young people still have no symptoms or very mild illness only
- There is no need for primary age pupils (those in year 6 and below) to test over the summer period
- From Step 4, Close contacts will still be identified via NHS Test and Trace
- From Step 4, your child does not need to remain in a consistent group ('bubble')
- from Step 4, face coverings will no longer be advised for staff and visitors either in classrooms or in communal areas.

Step 4 of the Roadmap will start in September for us at Delves Lane Primary School.

### UEFA EURO 2020 FINAL



England's First Major Football Final since 1966! Sunday will be the first time in 55 years that the England Football team have made it to the final of a major tournament.

If your child is a football fan and you would like them to stay up 'past their bedtime' to watch the final on Sunday night, we would like to follow in the footsteps of other schools across the country and offer the flexibility for children to enjoy the match without missing out on much needed sleep!

We would much rather our children had a good sleep after the game and arrived later than normal on Monday morning, than feel tired and sleepy after cheering England on! Therefore, on Monday, **school will still open from 8.35am as normal, but any child arriving up to 10.00am WILL NOT be marked as late.**

**Year 6 (Classes 13 and 14) MUST BE IN SCHOOL BY 9.10am for their trip to BEAMISH! They will have an amazing time!**

We don't know when this opportunity will come along again so let's make the most of this and help our children remember 2021's amazing England in the Euro's final!

If your children are watching the game, we hope they sing the National Anthem and feel proud! They will be watching great teamwork, resilience, determination and perseverance!

All of our staff, will be in at our normal opening time with lovely smiles to greet you whatever the final score is!!! Good luck England! We are all rooting for you!



### Sponsored Skate-a-Thon

Emmie from Class 6 is going to be doing a sponsored Skate-a-Thon on the 17th of July to raise money for the Teenage Cancer Trust. She is going to be doing a 10km on in-line skates with her dad. She learned to skate during the first lockdown in March 2020. It really helped her focus on something other than what was going on in the world at the time. She is really looking forward to raising some money for a really good cause, doing something that she loves. We think this is fantastic and we wish Emmie all the very best as she takes on this challenge for such a well-deserved cause. If any of our school community would like to donate, please click on the link to the Facebook fundraising page for more information. Thank you.  
[https://www.facebook.com:443/donate/160822689367372/?fundraiser\\_source=external\\_url](https://www.facebook.com:443/donate/160822689367372/?fundraiser_source=external_url)  
Good luck Emmie!



### Covid Local Support Grant – Voucher Payments

You may be aware that the Winter Food Grant has been extended into the Summer Term and is now known as the 'Covid Local Support Grant'. In County Durham they are again making this support available as vouchers. Eligible families will **automatically** receive £80 per child to help them over the summer holidays. Please watch out for an email from school over the next few days, which will contain the codes you need to redeem your vouchers.

## 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?
Leo	Nursery AM	'Writing his name patiently and independently'
Levi	Nursery PM	'Showing his friends how to make music using instruments'
Wayne-Ross	Class 1	'Working hard and being a sensible member of our class'
Byran-Blayn	Class 2	'Settling in to Class 2 quickly and being a lovely friendly boy'
Alisha	Class 3	'Excellent work in science identifying different types of trees'
Lillith	Class 4	'Working extremely hard in Maths and trying her best'
Haaris	Class 5	'Settling in to Class 5 brilliantly'

Oliver	Class 6	'Excellent behaviour and questions on our trip to The Botanic Gardens'
Liam	Class 7	'Working very hard this week and contributing more in class'
Skye	Class 8	'Following our school rules brilliantly'
Kuba	Class 9	'Excellent behaviour and always trying his best'
Lucie	Class 10	'Working extremely hard in Literacy'
Evie	Class 11	'Listening to instructions and following them immediately'
Jayden	Class 12	'Excellent effort in PE'
Harvey	Class 13	'A fantastic attitude towards his work.'
Rafal	Class 14	'His mature attitude towards school.'

### Calendar of Events as of Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July

Here is the latest Calendar of Events for the remainder of this term. We are keeping everything crossed there will be no changes! Thank you.

Date	Event	Information
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 (Class 13 & 14) Beamish Trip	Trip linked to Consett Steelworks Details have been sent to parents
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery AM & PM Sports Day Reception (Class 1 & 2) Sports Day	In School Event Children to wear PE Kits today
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 1 (Class 3 & 4) Sports Day Year 2 (Class 5 & 6) Sports Day	In School Event Children to wear PE Kits today
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 3 (Class 7 & 8) Sports Day Year 4 (Class 9 & 10) Sports Day Year 5 (Class 11 & 12) Sports Day	In School Event Children to wear PE Kits today
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	School Reports to Parents & Carers	Parents will receive School Report via email and a text alert will be sent. If Parents/Carers would like a paper copy, please contact the school office.
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Class 13 & 14 (Year 6) Trip to Kingswood	Details have been sent to parents
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 (Class 13 & 14) Sports Day	In School Event Children to wear PE Kits today
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 (Class 13 & 14) Steelworks Presentation and Leavers Service/Picnic	Details to follow Zoom Meeting for Parents/Carers
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Summer Term for Pupils	Last day of term
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	PD (Professional Development) Days for Staff	School closed to children Training Days for Staff
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> and Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2021	PD (Professional Development) Days for Staff	School closed to children Training Days for Staff
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2021	School Opens to Children	Welcome back to children in ALL classes

### Collection for the RAF Benevolent Fund

We recently informed you about the death of Mr Thornton. Our school community has raised £70 for the RAF Benevolent Fund, a charity close to Steve and Jill's hearts, who helped them so much as a family, when they were both serving in the RAF. Thank you to everyone for your kind donations.

### A collection for Amber's Headstone

We recently wrote to you about the sudden death of Amber in Class 2. Amber was an amazing pupil who tried her best at school every day. Some of our families have reached out and asked how they can help during this

time. I have spoken to Amber's family and they have suggested that our school community might want to donate towards Amber's headstone. If any of our school community would like to contribute, please send your donations into school, in an envelope marked with your child's name and labelled 'Donation for Amber'. We're sorry, but we are unable to accept donations via ParentPay.

Thank you for your continued support. We hope you all have a lovely weekend. For those of you who are football fans, enjoy the match on Sunday! We will be watching!  
Take care,

*R Woods*

Mrs R Woods  
**Head Teacher**