



**DELVES LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

We hope all our families had a lovely Summer holiday, and managed to spend some precious time with family and friends.

**New School Year**

As children return to school, we are aware that some may be anxious and it will take time for them all to settle and get into their new routine. We will all be prepared for that and our staff are obviously very experienced in adapting their teaching to meet the needs of all our children.

<b>Dates for your Diary – September 2022</b>	
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022</b>	Professional Development Day (Teacher Training)
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022</b>	School Opens for all children – Nursery to Year 6
<b>Week One</b>	
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022</b>	Children in Reception attend from 8.50am to 1pm
<b>Week Two</b>	
<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Children in Reception attend all day from 8.50am to 2.00pm for Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September Children in Reception attend all day from 8.50am to 3.05pm for Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> , Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> and Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> September

**COVID Procedures for Autumn Term**

This term, we will continue with current guidance. If your child contracts COVID then they must remain at home for three consecutive days before returning to school. As long as they are well enough, after three days, they can return to school.

**Attendance**

It is very important that children attend school every day. If your child is not well enough to attend school, then you must telephone or email us by 9.15am on every day your child is absent.

Below is the latest illness guidance for parents and carers which states when you can send your child to school, and when they must stay at home. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-protection-in-schools-and-other-childcare-facilities/chapter-3-public-health-management-of-specific-infectious-diseases>



## REMINDER Class Details

New Class details are below:

Class	Year	Teacher
SAPLINGS	Nursery AM	Miss K Taylor
SEEDLINGS	Nursery PM	Miss K Taylor
CHERRY	Reception	Mrs H Allister-Webb/Mrs L Stevens
HAWTHORN	Reception/ Year 1	Miss H Kirkbride
HAZEL	Year 1	Miss G Forbes
MAPLE	Year 2	Miss V Kelly
JUNIPER	Year 2	Mrs A Schenker/Mrs K Moody
WILLOW	Year 3	Mrs L Crompton
POPLAR	Year 3	Mrs A Randell
BIRCH	Year 4	Mr A McMeiken
ELM	Year 4	Miss K Hedge
PINE	Year 5	Miss E Jones
ASH	Year 5	Miss A Smith
BEECH	Year 6	Mr C Turnbull
OAK	Year 6	Mrs M Donnelly/Mrs A Storey (Friday)

## Drop Off and Collection Times

<u>Year Groups</u>	<u>School Start Time</u>	<u>End/Collection Time</u>
<b>Nursery AM Saplings – NEW TIMES</b>	8.40am	11.40am
<b>Nursery PM Seedlings – NEW TIMES</b>	12.20pm	3.20pm
<b>Reception - Cherry</b>	8.40am	3.05pm
<b>Year 1 &amp; 2 – Hazel, Hawthorn, Maple, Juniper</b>	8.40am	3.15pm
<b>Year 3 &amp; 4 – Willow, Poplar, Birch, Elm</b>	8.40am	3.05pm
<b>Year 5 &amp; 6 – Pine, Ash, Beech, Oak</b>	8.40am	2.55pm

**We will continue our free flow system. Children can arrive between 8.40 and 8.55am each day. Families who arrive from 9am onwards will need to take their children to the main school office, where they will be signed in by the admin team.**

## Breakfast Club and After School Childcare Club

Breakfast Club and After School Childcare will be open again from Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September. **Parents and Carers MUST pre-book and pre-pay for this provision.** Parents can email or telephone school to book a place.

Children can arrive at the main school gate between 7.50 and 8am each day for Breakfast Club. Mrs Testo or Mrs Shield will meet children at the infant or junior hall doors. After School Childcare is available Monday to Thursday each week between 3.15pm and 5.30pm.

The cost of Breakfast Club is £2 per day and After School Childcare is £7 per day. Thank you.

## After School Activity Clubs

These will begin again from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. More details to follow.

## Uniform

A reminder that uniform is a pale blue polo shirt or blouse, a blue jumper or cardigan, black, navy blue or grey trousers or skirt or a blue checked dress. This can be with or without school logos. All footwear is to be plain black shoes or plain black trainers. Uniform can be ordered directly from

<https://www.sportswear.com/delves-lane-primary-school-493-c.asp>

You can also visit Track Sportswear's shop to try uniform on at Track Sportswear Ltd, Gledstone House, 26 Newmarket Street, CONSETT, Co. Durham DH8 5LQ. Families can telephone: 01207 506929 or email:

[tracksportswear@gmail.com](mailto:tracksportswear@gmail.com)

## PE Kits

Children will continue to wear their PE kit to school on PE Days. Children can wear navy shorts, plain light blue T-shirt, a pair of Plimsolls/trainers – elasticated ones are essential for younger children. Navy or black tracksuit bottoms can be worn for outdoor lessons in cold weather.

## PE Days

Day	Classes
Monday	Cherry and Hawthorn Classes (Reception) Hazel Class (Year 1) Beech Class (Year 6) Swimming starts from 12 <sup>th</sup> September for this half term Oak Class (Year 6) will start Swimming from Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October for next half term
Tuesday	Maple and Juniper (Year 2) Pine and Ash (Year 5)
Wednesday	Willow and Poplar (Year 3)
Thursday	Beech and Oak (Year 6)
Friday	Saplings and Seedlings (Nursery)

(This is subject to change after October half term)

## Appointments

All routine medical appointments, unless an emergency or exceptional circumstance, must be made for your child outside of the school day. If they are made during the school day, you must provide a copy of the appointment details. Children can attend school before/after appointments. Thank you.

## Emergency contact information

If you have moved house, changed your contact number/email address, or your listed contacts change, please forward this information to our Admin Team this week. If you are a family who require two sets of important information, you must inform us of this. If you are a parent who does not live with your child, we can post or email important information to your address, i.e. school reports/newsletters.

## Parent Survey

We have sent out a survey in the holidays asking parents if they require Breakfast Club, After School Childcare, Walking Home Consent Information for children in Year 5 & 6, and to ask if parents need Parent Pay details.

**Please complete the survey today if at all possible.**

## Water bottles

Children must bring a school water bottle to school every day. Additional water bottles are available from our main school office.

## Spare Free School Uniform

We have lots of free pre-loved uniform in our junior school hall. If you require any spare items, please pop into the junior hall tomorrow – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September between 8.40 and 8.55am. Thank you.

## Staffing Changes

As Miss Stubbs left at the end of the Summer term, Miss Burnett will be looking after the 2 Year Olds moving forward. Mrs Clark is moving from Reception into Year 3 this year, and we are welcoming Miss McGuigan into Reception as an Academic Mentor.

## New Medical Lead

Mrs Clark will also be our new Medical Lead at DLPS. Please email [delveslaneprimary@durhamlearning.net](mailto:delveslaneprimary@durhamlearning.net) and state that this is for the Attention of Mrs Clark, if you have any medical queries, thank you.

We hope this information is helpful. If you have any queries, please email or telephone our school office. We are here to help in any we can.

*R Woods*

Mrs R Woods  
**Head Teacher**