



DELVES LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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READY RESPECTFUL SAFE

Friday 19th April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have all had a lovely Easter holiday! Welcome back to DLPS! We have a busy Summer term ahead!

Science Week Update

Thank you so much to everyone who took the time to design and make their own Time Machine for this year's Science Week competition. There were so many fantastic and creative designs, it made choosing winners almost impossible! In fact, we had to find even more prizes because it was so difficult to choose just four winners! Therefore, we have a runner-up from each year group... a huge 'Well Done' to:

Nursery: Grace M, Roots

Reception: Harper W, Cherry

Year 1: Alec G, Juniper

Year 2: Ivy R, Maple

Year 3: Emily J, Willow

Year 4: Teddy-James C, Elm

Year 5: Katy-Jae E, Pine

Year 6: Martyna G, Oak

Congratulations to our overall winners from each Key Stage, who are:

EYFS (Nursery + Reception): Reuben R, Cherry

Key Stage 1 (Years 1&2): Kaique FG, Juniper

Lower Key Stage 2 (Years 3&4): Sam H, Poplar

Upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5&6): Lily B, Oak

Prizes have been awarded today in assembly. Well done to everyone who took part, you should be very proud of yourselves! 😊

Morning Gate Duty Rota

Our Senior Leaders are at the gate every morning to welcome children and families onto the site. If you have any queries, please speak to a member of the team. Thank you.

Day	Member of Staff on Duty
Monday	Mrs Woods, Headteacher
Tuesday	Mrs Shaw, Special Needs Coordinator
Wednesday	Mrs Woods, Headteacher
Thursday	Mrs Allister-Webb, Deputy Headteacher
Friday	Mrs Allister-Webb, Deputy Headteacher

School Start and Finish Times

Morning drop-off:

The school gates open from 8.30am for pedestrian access each day.

The register will be taken at 8.40am and all children are expected to be settled in class by this time.

End of the School day

The school day ends at 3.10pm in the Infants and 3.15pm in the Juniors and Nursery.



School Gates

Staff are able to park in the school car park until **8.20am** every day. The car park gates close at 8.20am. The gates **open again at 8.30am for pedestrian access.**

Pupils and parents must stand on the paths whilst the gates are still open for staff to park.

At the end of the day, **the gates open for pedestrian access at 3.05pm. Before this time, vehicles may need to access the site, e.g. swimming bus, etc. Parents and carers must wait on the paths and keep the area clear in front of the gates until they open for pedestrians at 3.05pm.**

Thank you for helping us to keep everyone safe.

Maple Class Trip to Hall Hill Farm





Maple Class had a fantastic day at Hall Hill Farm on Wednesday! The children rode on the tractor, held different types of animals and even got the chance to feed the lambs, goats, alpacas and llamas. They were fascinated by the interesting facts they learnt which linked to their current 'Grown and Survival' Science topic! Did you know that pigs are pregnant for three months, three weeks and three days and can have up to 16 piglets at once? Thank you to Lisa for looking after Maple Class and teaching the children all about the animals and well done to the children for their excellent behaviour!

Year 3 Gymnastics

Pupils in Willow and Poplar Classes now have Gymnastics sessions with a sports coach every Wednesday afternoon. Please make sure your child wears their PE kit to school every Wednesday and Thursday for the rest of the term. Thanks.

House Points

Please see our house points for this week.

Date:	Griffin 	Unicorn 	Minotaur 	Phoenix 
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Well done, Minotaur fantastic news!

Celebration Assembly Weekly Awards

Please see our super Stars and Readers this week. We are very proud of all our children, well done!

Class	SOTW	ROTW
Cherry	Toby	Harper-Grace
Hazel	Evie	Harleen
Maple	Lesley-May	Reagan
Juniper	Odhran	Jayden
Willow	Byran	Harry
Poplar	Kayelisha	Brooke
Birch	Nico	Layla
Elm	Lily	Lewis
Pine	Brooke	Amar

Beech	Harley	Tiana
Oak	Olly	Charlotte

Class Attendance Awards

Well done to **Cherry, Birch & Oak** Classes! We hope you enjoyed the lovely cakes!

Class	Year Group	Attendance
Cherry	Reception	96.3%
Hazel	Year 1	93.1%
Maple	Year 2	93.7%
Juniper	Year 2	84.4%
Willow	Year 3	98.1%
Poplar	Year 3	87.5%
Birch	Year 4	98.9%
Elm	Year 4	94.5%
Pine	Year 5	87.1%
Beech	Year 6	98.7%
Oak	Year 6	98.8%

OPAL News

**OPAL OUTDOOR PLAY
AND LEARNING**



Our school is an OPAL school and children will play outside in all weathers. **We strongly advise that children bring spare shoes, trainers, boots or wellies and spare track suit bottoms or trousers to change into, so that they can play on the fields.**

PLEASE, WE NEED YOUR HELP! Do you have any of the following...

- Small world toys including cars, farm animals, wild animals, dinosaurs
- Pipes and guttering
- Large reels
- Soft suitcases
- Pushchairs
- Buckets and spades

- Dressing up clothes
- Large cardboard boxes
- **A wheelchair** ♿

Lost Property

We have various coats, hats and gloves in our lost property located just outside of the school office. If you recognise anything in the below photos, please can this be collected as soon as possible. If these items are not claimed by the end of term they will be recycled within school.



Online Safety

This week's free online safety guide focuses on group chats. It highlights a number of risks such as bullying, inappropriate content and unknown members.. Please see more information on the attached leaflet as well as our Facebook page.

Calendar of Events

Below are some events taking place over the next few weeks.

Date	Event	Event Information
Wednesday 17 th April 2024 Every Wednesday this term	Year 5 Swimming Pine Class Every Wednesday Afternoon	In school event – please ensure children bring their swimming kit
Thursday 2 nd May 2024	Year 2 Class Assembly (Maple Class)	Infant Hall @ 2.40pm Parents and Carers welcome to attend
Monday 6th May 2024	School Closed Bank Holiday	

A message from Mrs Crompton

I would like to say a huge thank you to Elm class parents for the baby gifts and big sister Thea. I was so overwhelmed by their extreme generosity and kindness. A special thank you to Cody's mam for organising and putting it all together. I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching and getting to know the Year 4 children this year and will miss them a lot. Thank you 😊

Friends of the School



We would like to set up a Friends of DLPS group of parents and staff who would meet, plan and organise fundraising events and provide support for school events. The group would be open to anyone who wants to work together to raise money for the school to make our children's experience at DLPS as rewarding and fulfilling as possible.

We hold numerous events throughout the year; fairs, discos, raffles to name a few!

In order for these fundraisers to be sustainable and successful we need a strong team to plan and execute each event and to help out on the frontline and behind the scenes, whether it be baking cakes for the cake stall or running a stall! Mrs Teneur and the team have raised thousands of pounds to ensure our children have lots of fantastic experience, however, we do need more help and support to ensure these events are sustainable. Please could you contact our school office if you would like more information about FODLPS (Friends of Delves Lane Primary School).

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

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Mrs B Woods

Head Teacher