



DELVES LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

Summer Term 1

We are sorry for the delay in getting this newsletter to you, we had some very testing technical issues to overcome before the holidays!

Last half term we had a very busy few weeks with Year 6 SATS, a Year 5 trip to Beamish, and two Health and Wellbeing Days! We would like to thank all our families for your support with all our events.

Inspirational George at 100!

On Wednesday this week some of our classes walked up to The Travellers Rest, whilst others went to the school gates to cheer and applaud a local resident from Greenways residential home, George Stafford, for completing his charitable walk.

George turned 100 on 30th May and this week walked from The Travellers Rest back to his home at Greenways to raise money for St Cuthbert's Hospice. Our children really showed their appreciation for such a wonderful man walking for such an amazing cause. Well done George, what a fantastic achievement!



Health and Wellbeing Days at DLPS

On Thursday 21st May and Friday 22nd May, the children enjoyed a fantastic range of activities during our Health and Wellbeing Days. This year's theme was 'Take Action', encouraging children to explore different ways they could look after both their bodies and minds. Throughout the two days, the children took part in a variety of exciting activities designed to help them learn about healthy lifestyles, including the importance of eating well, staying active and supporting their mental wellbeing. A number of engaging workshops and special visitors helped bring these important topics to life in fun and

memorable ways. Our younger children thoroughly enjoyed yoga sessions, confidence-building workshops and learning about oral health while our Key Stage 2 pupils participated in energetic fitness classes, mindfulness walks and resilience-building activities. The children approached every activity with enthusiasm and embraced the opportunity to learn new skills and strategies for staying healthy! To help the children learn more about healthy food choices, the 'Flavours of the Farm' workshop visited our school. During this exciting session, the children discovered where their food comes from and had the opportunity to taste a variety of healthy foods. The tasting sessions were a great success, with many children trying new foods and learning more about the benefits of a balanced diet.

It was wonderful to see the children so engaged, enthusiastic and eager to learn throughout the two days. The Health and Wellbeing Days were a great success, providing valuable experiences that will help the children make positive choices for their health and wellbeing both now and in the future!

Health and Wellbeing Raffle

Thank you to all of our parents/carers, children and staff who purchased raffle tickets we really appreciate your support and raised £80 for our school fund. Well, done to all of the winners.

Prize	Winner
Bike	Bentley - Nursery
Golf Clubs	Daniel - Beech
Gardening Gift Set	Jaxon F - Cherry
Outdoor Games Set	Kai - Juniper
Outdoor Games Set	McKenzie - Juniper
Outdoor Games Set	Riley S - Birch
Outdoor Games Set	Nova - Juniper
Outdoor Games Set	Archie - Juniper
Mindfulness Gift Sets	Lyam - Juniper
Mindfulness Gift Sets	Rudy - Juniper
Smaller Outdoor	Evie - Ash
Smellies Gift Set	Brooke - Ash
Squashy Pals	Alfie - Birch
Fidget Bag	Thomas W - Poplar

Fidget Bag

Phoebe - Nursery

School Fund

We would like to thank everyone for your continued support and donations towards our school fund, these donations support us to make days like World book day, Health and Wellbeing days and Interfaith day enjoyable, fun and interesting for the children at DLPS. These donations also help us to give the children treats throughout the year. You can also support our school fund by signing up to Easyfundraising by using the below QR code:



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
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Year 6 SATS

Well done to our fantastic Year 6 children for all their hard work leading up to and during SATS week! We are so proud of the effort and resilience they have shown. To start the celebrations, they have had a movie afternoon with some lovely treats.

Year 6 you've done yourselves proud - now let's enjoy the rest of the term and look forward to all the exciting things still to come, including your end of year celebrations, transition to secondary school and making some fantastic final memories together.



Year 5 Trip to Beamish Museum

On Wednesday 20th May Pine and Ash Classes enjoyed a very interesting trip to Beamish Museum. They had a wonderful time taking part in a Victorian classroom lesson, venturing down the mine, exploring the historic towns and visiting the traditional sweet shop to buy some delicious treats. It was a fantastic opportunity to step back in time ahead of their new Victorian History topic! Please head over to our school Facebook page to see some photographs from the visit.

Celebration Assembly Weekly Awards

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



Stars of the Week

SOTW	24.04.26	01.05.26	08.05.26	15.05.26
Cherry	Mia	Ellie	Joshua	Evelyn
Hazel	Danny	Anaiya	Emily	Delilah
Juniper	Reuben	McKenzie	Kaiden	Jimmy-Connor
Maple	Bonnie	Kaique	Kane	Harry
Poplar	Alec	Frankie-Ray	Rome	Thomas
Birch	Nicol	Cole	Dean-Mckenzie	Riley
Ash	Lucas	Maddison	Andrew	Harry
Pine	Rudy	Malik	Blair	Charlotte
Beech	Bobbie	John-James	Leah	Harrison
Oak	Miles & Teddy	Tahlia	Dottie	Heidi

Congratulations to all our STARS! 😊

Readers of the Week



ROTW	24.04.26	01.05.26	08.05.26	15.05.26
Cherry	Madison	Noah	Beau	
Hazel	Carter	Ava	Ella	Harper
Juniper	Jaxon	Archie	Elliott	Rylee
Maple	Jay-J	Harper-Grace	Mia	Casey
Poplar	Poppy	James	Harry	Lochlaan
Birch	Lesley	Arsha	Alfie	Zuzanna
Ash	Mason	George	Kaia	Brooke
Pine	Blair	Dylan	Renea	Charlie
Beech	Aria	Ava	Ava F	Scarlett
Oak	Zac & Dottie	Zac	Lainee	Hylton

Well done to all our READERS! 😊

Weekly Class Attendance winners

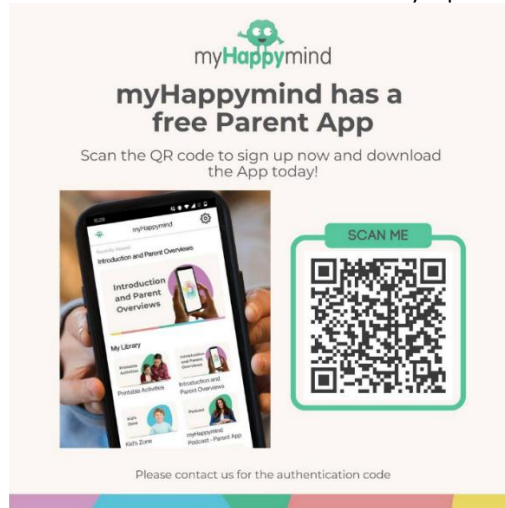


Class	24.04.26	01.05.26	08.05.26	15.05.26
Cherry	95.85%	93.48%	98.80%	92.70%
Hazel	96.14%	95.67%	95.50%	95.00%
Juniper	96.5%	91.8%	98.10%	91.8%
Maple	95.53%	94.23%	96.70%	95.10%
Poplar	96.50%	96.00%	94.70%	94.00%
Birch	94.69%	96.55%	98.90%	97.00%
Ash	96.50%	90.48%	98.40%	93.30%
Pine	90.80%	93.75%	94.60%	88.40%
Beech	97.78%	98.05%	88.10%	100.00%
Oak	98.30%	97.28%	100.00%	99.40%

We hope you all enjoyed our popular Attendance cakes! 😊

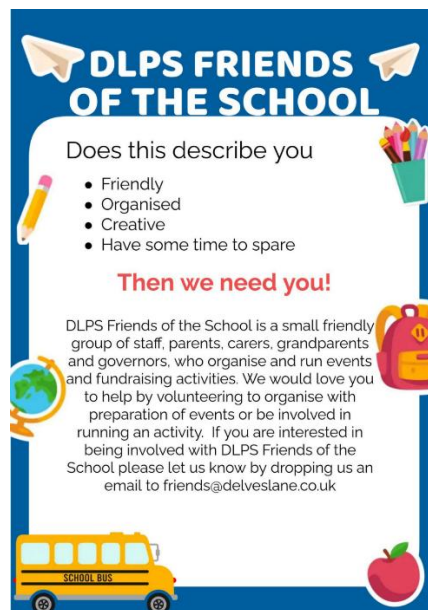
My Happy Mind - REMINDER

DLPS are very proud to be a 'My Happy Mind' school and we want all the strategies we have learned at school to be used at home. The 'My Happy Mind' app includes everything we are learning about in school from 'happy breathing' to 'our character strengths.' If you haven't already done so, please download the app using the link below. We will email the authentication code for you to access this at home. Any queries let us know!



DLPS Friends of the School - REMINDER

With a busy end to the term we need your help! If you have some spare time, please come and join us as a Friend of the School 😊



School Uniform

Our children should come to school in our school uniform which is:

- Navy blue, grey or black trousers
- Pale blue polo shirt or blouse
- Navy blue jumper/cardigan
- Suitable shoes (not sandals, Ugg style boots or crocs)

- Blue checked dresses and grey shorts are suitable for the summer

Early Collection of Children

Please can I ask parents/carers not to collect your child early from the school office unless in exceptional circumstances.

Recently we have had lots of parents/carers asking to collect their children early from the school office. Whilst I do appreciate that you may have a good reason to do this, it puts a strain on our staff. Staff are busy teaching or supporting children at this time, so it causes disruption.

We do understand that some parents have pre-agreed alternative collection arrangements due to exceptional circumstances which we wish to continue to support. As you know, we are a large school and so we can easily be walking children to the office for long periods of time and this is just not manageable for us when we need to be concentrating on children's education.

Please be aware therefore, that we may not be able to release a member of staff immediately for this and you may have to wait a while until we are.

Late Collection of Children after the end of the school day

We expect all pupils to be collected from school at 3.10pm (Infants/Key Stage 1) and 3.15pm (Juniors Key Stage 2) by a nominated person listed on our Arbor system. Recently we have noticed on a number of occasions that children are collected late from school. Collecting children late often causes unnecessary upset and stress to your child/ren. As staff are having to supervise your children this means they are unable to fulfill their teaching duties and attend relevant training which has an impact on the whole school. Please can we ask parents and carers to be prompt when collecting their child/children. Many thanks.

Toys and Fidgets

Toys (including fidget toys) are not allowed in school unless already agreed with Mrs Allister-Webb (Our SENCo and Deputy Headteacher). If you feel that your child with additional need requires equipment to support them, please contact Mrs Allister-Webb (SENCo) via the school office.

Pupil News

Thomas in Poplar class took part in a Children's Cancer charity run held at Gosforth Racecourse in Newcastle on the 19th May. He completed the run with determination and a fantastic attitude throughout.

He wanted to do something positive to help raise awareness and support for children affected by cancer, and we're so proud of the kindness and compassion he continues to show towards others. So far, he has raised £116 for the charity and is already planning to take part in more cancer-related charity events throughout the year.

We are so proud of Thomas at DLPS for his amazing fundraising achievement!

Lily in Oak class captained the U11 Steelers team for Consett AFC securing their promotion to the Premier Division. Well done to Lily and her football team excellent achievement. We wish you and your team well in the Premier Division!

Lily in Oak class and Poppy in Maple class have been attending a children's fitness class at Spartan Gym on a Wednesday evening. Each week they have been dedicated to trying new fitness activities and gaining strength and confidence along the way. Through this & learning about nutrition at home they are understanding about what their bodies need to

be able to grow as well as enjoying going to the gym. Well done Lily and Poppy this sounds very interesting and like lots of fun.



Dates for your Diary for the remainder of the Summer Term

Week commencing 8 th June 2026	Year 4 Times table check	Further guidance can be found here: Information for Parents MTC Check
Week commencing 8 th June 2026	Year 1 Phonics screening check (Hazel & Year 1 Children in Juniper)	Further guidance can be found here: Info for Parents Phonic Screening Check:
Monday 8 th June 2026	Activity Clubs Re-open	Can be booked and paid for via Arbor
Tuesday 9 th June 2026	Year 6 afternoon visit to Durham Cathedral for Leaver's Service	Information shared with parents
Friday 12 th June 2026	Non-Uniform Day	School Fair/Festival Donations More information to follow
Week Commencing 15 th June 2026	Arts Week	In school event
Tuesday 16 th June 2026	Poplar Class Assembly	All Parents and Carers welcome 2.20pm

Tuesday 16 th June 2026	Nursery Class: Dad or Special Person event AFTERNOON NURSERY PM & Full Time Children	Nursery children would like to invite their dad or another special person to a celebration tea party, followed by outdoor events such as den building and games. 12:15pm – 1:30pm EYFS Unit
Thursday 18 th June 2026	Nursery Class: Dad or Special Person event MORNING NURSERY AM & Full Time Children	Nursery children would like to invite their dad or another special person to a celebration tea party, followed by outdoor events such as den building and games. 8.45am – 10.00am EYFS Unit
Thursday 18 th June 2026	Reception Class: Dad or Special Person event AFTERNOON	Reception children would like to invite their dad or another person who is special to them, to a celebration tea party, followed by outdoor events such as den building and games. 1.15pm – 2.30pm EYFS Unit
Monday 22 nd June 2026	Year 5 Parent Meeting for next Residential taking place in Year 6 (Pine and Ash Class parents)	3.30pm in the junior hall More information to follow
Tuesday 23 rd June 2026	Year 6 visit to Nissan Skills Foundation	Further information to follow
Wednesday 24 th June 2026	Year 6 visit to Nissan Skills Foundation	Further information to follow
Friday 26 th June 2026	Letter to Parents re child's new class	Parents and carers notified of new class and teacher via Arbor
Week Commencing 29 th June 2026	Assessment period for Nursery, Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5	Please make sure children are on time for school and have eaten a good breakfast!
Monday 29 th June 2026	Year 5 Assembly (Ash 7 Pine Classes)	All Parents and Carers welcome 2.20pm

Wednesday 1 st July	Nursery Class Assembly MORNING	9.30am – 10.00am Infant School Hall All Parents and Carers welcome
Thursday 2 nd July 2026	Nursery Class Assembly AFTERNOON	1.15pm – 1.45pm Infant School Hall All Parents and Carers welcome
Thursday 2 nd July 2026	Reception (Cherry) Class Assembly AFTERNOON	2.15pm – 2.45pm Infant School Hall All Parents and Carers welcome
Thursday 2 nd July & Friday 3 rd July 2026	Year 6 Transition Day to Consett Academy	More information to follow
Friday 3 rd July 2026	Moving Up Days for all children – Transition Days (Nursery to Year 5)	In school event More information to follow
Friday 3 rd July 2026	After School Clubs Close today and begin again in September 2026	<u>After School Childcare Club</u> will continue until Thursday 16 th July 2026
Monday 6 th July 2026	Careers Day	In School Event More information to follow
Monday 6 th July 2026	Nursery Trip to Wharton Park	More information to follow
Tuesday 8 th July 2026	Sports Day EYFS Children Nursery & Reception	2 Year Olds Sports Event - 9am - 9:45am Nursery Sports Event 10am - 11am Nursery & Cherry Class Sports Event 2pm - 3pm Parents and carers welcome – children to come to school in PE kits
Thursday 9 th July 2026	Sports Day Key Stage 1 (Hazel, Juniper & Year 2 Maple)	Parents and carers welcome – children to come to school in PE kits 9.15am – 11am

Friday 10 th July 2026	Sports Day Key Stage 2 – Years 3, 4, 5, 6 (Year 3 Maple, Poplar, Birch, Elm, Pine, Ash, Beech & Oak)	Parents and carers welcome – children to come to school in PE kits Year 3 & 4 9:15am – 11am Year 5 & 6 1:15pm – 3pm
Friday 10 th July 2026	End of Year Reports to parents	Parents and Carers will receive school report for their child via email
Monday 13 th July 2026	Hazel Class Trip to Washington Wetlands	More information to follow
Tuesday 14 th July 2026	House Reward Event from 1.30pm	More information to follow In School Event
Wednesday 15 th July 2026	Year 6 Leavers Service (Oak & Beech Class)	Parents and carers of Year 6 children welcome 9.15am Junior Hall – More information to follow
Wednesday 15 th July 2025	Year 6 Leavers Picnic (Oak & Beech)	More information to follow In School Event
Wednesday 15 th July 2026	Drop in for parents re school Reports Nursery, Cherry, Hazel, Juniper & Maple infant hall Poplar, Birch, Ash, Pine, Oak & Beech in junior hall	3:15pm – 4:00pm Parents and Carers are welcome to come and meet teachers to discuss their child's report
Thursday 16 th July 2026	FAMILY PICNIC including OPAL Event	Parents and Carers welcome
Monday 20 th July 2026	Non-Uniform – Summer Theme Fair Donations	More information to follow
Monday 20th July 2026	End of Summer Term for Pupils	

Sports Events Timetable

Day	Classes	Time
Wednesday 8 th July	2-Year-Olds Sports Event	9.00am to 9.45am

	Nursery Sports Event Nursery and Reception (Cherry Class)	10.00am to 11.00am 2.00pm to 3.00pm
Thursday 9 th July	Key Stage 1 Sports Day (Hazel, Juniper and Year 2 Maple)	9.15am to 11.00am
Friday 10 th July	Lower Key Stage 2 Sports Day Year 3 Maple, Poplar and Birch	9.15am to 11.00am
Friday 10 th July	Upper Key Stage 2 Sports Day Pine, Ash, Oak and Beech	1.15pm to 3.00pm

Class Assemblies

We have class assemblies coming up later this term and will share dates with parents next week.

New Online Safety Newsletter

Alongside our half termly newsletter, please check out our new Online Safety Newsletter which includes information about Group Chats, Roblox, Screen time guidance for under 5s and much more. There will be a new edition of this newsletter each month, you can find them by following this link [Online Safety Newsletters](#)

Goodbye to Mrs Dixon

Mrs Dixon has been a lunchtime supervisor at Delves Lane since September 2020. We would like to thank her for everything. Saying goodbye is never easy, but we are excited for you Jayne and your next chapter. Keep in touch, and don't forget us, from everyone at DLPS!

Enjoy the weekend!

B Woods

Mrs Woods

Headteacher