

Delabole Community Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

Happy New Year to every one of us and welcome back to school for our first Spring Term.

Our Beautiful Tapestry of Learning – Honesty

We have launched straight into 2023 and this term's value is **Honesty** and our enquiry question to deepen our children's understanding is **How are there two sides to every story?** The school is already a buzz with learning, joy, and wonder. In Class One there are tales of mammoths and prehistoric people. In Class Two, a Cornish giant's mayhem and misdemeanours in Fairy-tale Land is being unpicked. Class 3 have set sail for Egypt to discover and pillage one the Wonders of the World. Class Four are beetle diving into the life, learning and revolutionary theories of Charles Darwin that have shaped how we think today.



There is a lot to look forward to. Remember to follow us on Facebook for regular photo updates from our daily life in school

Year 2 and Year 6 Learning Conversations

This year, Y2 and Y6 children will be taking the government standardised attainment tests (SATs) in the summer term. In order for us to share how we plan to support your child in getting ready for this and how you can help support the process from home, we will be setting up face-to-face learning conversations during the week beginning 17th January. If you have a child in these year groups, please look out for a message asking you to book a slot via the Arbor app. Thank you.

Home Learning

Children continue to be set Home Learning opportunities via Seesaw (and Tapestry if children are in Reception) and this has already been set this week. It gets set on a Monday and lasts a fortnight.

We had some very impressive creative pieces brought in last term that showed the time invested by your children to showcase their learning. Thank you for your encouragement and support with this – it is such an important part of the partnership. We have seen a dip in some children completing tasks so please do encourage your children to keep up with their learning at home as some tasks in particular support the learning in the classroom.



Please remember the Love Reading Journals and encourage your child to read at home as much as possible. We also have Times Table Rock Star and MyMaths subscriptions where children can practise their fluency of math's skills that will be beneficial and support them in the classroom.

Clubs & Wraparound

You will soon have this term's club list circulated, please sign up on Arbor as usual. Can we please remind you that we have waiting lists and so if you take up a place, we do need your commitment in attending. If for any reason your child cannot attend for a week, please contact the office, otherwise we will keep them on site and assume they are attending.

Uniform

Towards the end of last term, we were starting to see white trainers and jewellery/nail varnish coming in. Please can we remind you that your child needs black shoes please, long hair tied back and not to wear any jewellery to school. A watch and stud earrings are acceptable.

Could you also ensure your child has the correct PE kit that is in school on the correct day. This is normally on Mondays for Class One, Mondays and Wednesdays for Class Two, Thursdays and Fridays for Class Three and Wednesdays and Thursdays for Class Four. This means they always have what they need for PE sessions.

We would be grateful for donations of uniform you no longer need. If you have any items much may be of use to other families, please hand in to the office. This will then be put on display at the end of the term. Thank you.



Picture Frames

As part of a display celebrating our love of books, we would like to ask our community to donate any picture frames and/or mounting card of any size and shape to the school. If you have any you no longer require, please could you hand into the office. Many thanks.

Key dates

Spring Term	
Week commencing 9 th January	After school clubs start
Week commencing 16 th January	Yr 2 & Yr 6 Parent Learning Conversations
Thursday 9 th February	Last day of Spring 1 Term
Friday 10 th February	Inset Day – School closed
Monday 20 th February	First day of Spring 2 Term
Friday 31 st March	Last day of Spring 2 Term
Summer Term	
Monday 17 th April	First day of Summer 1 Term
Monday 1 st May	Bank Holiday
Monday 8 th May	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 9 th to Friday 12 th May	Year 6 SATS
Tuesday 16 th to Friday 19 th May	Year 6 London Residential
Friday 26 th May	Last day of Summer 1 Term
Monday 5 th June	First day of Summer 2 Term
Friday 9 th June	Inset Day – School closed
Friday 21 st July	Last day of Summer 2 Term
Monday 24 th July	Inset Day – School closed
Tuesday 25 th July	Inset Day – School closed