

Delabole Primary School Newsletter

November 2024

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the start of a new term. It was so fabulous to see the school full to the brim with family and friends during our Harvest Festival, your donations were gratefully received in the community, thank you.

This term we can once again look forward to more events where we can welcome you into school for our annual book snuggle and our Christmas offerings. More details to follow...

This term our enquiry question is '**What matters most, the journey or the destination?**' which will be underpinned by the value of **Perseverance**.

The children have some wonderful learning opportunities planned through their enquiries. You will receive an Enquiry web shortly which will share what your child will be learning.

Remembrance

On Monday our Pupil Leadership Team and House Captains will be representing our school at the Remembrance Service at the War Memorial. If you would like to join us, please be at school at 10:40am so you can walk over with us. We feel it is such an important community event to take part in each year. Thank you to everyone for your kind donations to the British Legion. The items will be on sale until Monday morning.



Children in Need

Children are invited to wear non-uniform/spotty/Pudsey clothing to school next Friday, 15th November, for Children in Need. There will be a bucket on the gate for donations, please support this worthwhile cause if you are able to. Many thanks.

Book Snuggle & Parent Workshop

Once again, as requested by the children, we will be holding a Book Snuggle on Wednesday 20th November from 5 – 5:30pm.

Children are invited back to school in their pyjamas/dressing gowns/slippers with their favourite teddy, for a bedtime story. The classrooms will be transformed, and the event is designed to celebrate our love of reading, and of course, there will be hot chocolate being served.

Whilst this is happening, I have managed to secure Ellie Cudmore, a local Play Therapist -who is absolutely fantastic- to come and deliver a parent workshop that I believe will be very worthwhile. She has carried out training with all staff since

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September and her knowledge has been invaluable to us in understanding how best we can support children who are feeling overwhelmed and dysregulated. She shares knowledge around brain science in an easy-to-understand way and helps us all understand what might be happening for children when things go wrong. There will be helpful tips and strategies that can work both at school and at home. I really hope as many of you as possible will stay and support this event ... you won't be disappointed.

Residentials

We believe in the importance of residentials and know how much the children can benefit from these experiences. Whilst we know some children feel anxious about them, we would like to invite our Y4, Y5 and Y6 parents to a residential meeting on Tuesday 19th November at 5pm where we can talk you through the offer for this year and what the residentials entail. This way, we believe you have the information you need about signing up before making the commitment.



Christmas Festivities:

Whilst I know it is a bit early to mention Christmas, it is important you know some key dates as we work behind the scenes to organise key events. More details of all things Christmas will follow in the coming weeks

This year I want to bring the joy and sparkle to Delabole for our Christmas production. This is going to be a whole school event held at the Chapel. The script has been ordered and we are all excited to get started to put on a production that will bring the festive spirit. The Chapel has been booked for Wednesday 18th December, with our performances taking place at 2pm and 5pm. More details to follow ...

We break up for Christmas on Friday 20th December at the usual time of 3:15pm. This will of course be our Christmas party afternoon for the children.

Once again, this is a busy term, but one of our favourites in school. There is a lot going on so please do make a note of the dates below, so you don't miss anything.

Kind regards,
Lou Kirkman

Key dates

Autumn Term	
Monday 11 th November	Remembrance at War Memorial
Monday 11 th November – 3.30 pm	Reception Intake 25/26 Open Afternoon
From Tuesday 12 th November	Weekly swimming sessions – Classes 3 & 4
Friday 15 th November	Children in Need – Non-Uniform Day
Tuesday 19 th November 5pm	Y4/5/6 Residential meeting
Tuesday 19 th November	Screech Owl Sanctuary visiting Class 1
Wednesday 20 th November 5pm to 5.30pm	Book Snuggle & Parent Workshop
Friday 22 nd November	Class 1 visit to mobile Library
Monday 25 th November	Bags 2 School collection
W/C Monday 2 nd December	Book Fair
Wednesday 4 th December	Reception vision screening
W/C Monday 9 th December	Clubs finish this week
Tuesday 10 th December	Last swimming session
Wednesday 11 th December	Christmas Dinner
Friday 13 th December	Christingle making with Open the Book
Wednesday 18 th December 2pm & 5pm	Christmas Performance at the Chapel
Friday 20 th December	Class Christmas parties
Friday 20 th December	Last day of Autumn 2 Term
Monday 6 th January	First day of Spring 1 Term

