

Delabole Primary School Newsletter

September 2024

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Dear Parents and Carers,

A huge welcome back to all our children and families, we hope you had a lovely 'Summer' break and are ready and eager for the term ahead.

The school has been spruced up once more, the classrooms have a buzz of learning, and the staff are excited for the academic year ahead. The children have already got stuck into their first week with some lovely memorable learning experiences. We have loved seeing them all back looking smart and eager to participate and see their friends.

Our value for this term is such an important one, '**Trust & Collaboration**' under the umbrella Enquiry question, '**How are we stronger together?**' This is a great Enquiry that links directly to nature and the world around us – with a particular emphasis on the Geography curriculum for many year groups. There will be opportunities to get outside with some classes hoping to incorporate a visit out of the school grounds in the coming weeks. Look out for communication on this through Arbor.

In the meantime, please look out for the Class Enquiry Web that will be sent out to share the learning that your child will be carrying out this term. This can also be found on the school website. Our website is a wealth of information, so do please take a look as it gives a small glimpse into our life within the Tribe of Delabole.

Meet and Greets

We like to welcome you into school as soon as possible in the new school year so that you can meet your child's teacher, see the classroom environment and also learn more about the learning and routines that take place. This is also a good opportunity to ask any questions you may have. We appreciate that they happen at the end of the school day, and not everyone can always attend, however please see the following date and time for each class.

Class 1: Monday 9th September at 3pm

Class 2: Tuesday 10th September at 3pm

Class 3 & 4: Wednesday 11th September at 3pm



Attendance

If your child is unwell, it is important that you contact the school office to inform of us of an absence. If you do not do this, a member of the team will be in contact so we can account for all children who are not in school – this is our safeguarding duty.

As you are aware, we cannot authorise any absence for a holiday and there are new rules around fining. Please know, this isn't the school however is a countywide directive. Please look out for an attendance leaflet going home next week.

Clubs

We are just working on our clubs offer for the Autumn Term, so look out for a letter early next week so you can sign up.

Wraparound Care:

I have been asked by several parents if we can offer a wraparound service at the school. If there is a demand for this, it is definitely something I am willing to look into. I will be sending out a questionnaire to gauge interest so please let us know your thoughts so that we can move forwards if this is something that would benefit the school community.



Uniform

The children have come back looking so smart and ready for the term ahead. Just a reminder to ensure that all uniform is named so we can reunite children with lost items. This includes PE kits please. We would be grateful if these could stay in school in the cloakroom, so children always have the correct kit with them. Please note, children shouldn't be wearing nail varnish or jewellery in school please, (with the exception of stud earrings and a watch). Thank you

School Dinner & Snacks

Just a reminder that children from Reception to Year 2 are eligible for a universal free school meal every day. There is a wide range of options on the menu to suit all tastes – so do make the most of this offer. If your child has moved into Year 3 and above, you do need to pay for school meals on Parent Pay please. All children in Class 1 and 2 also receive a free piece of fruit every day, however, children in Class 3 and 4 are encouraged to bring in a healthy snack to get them through until lunchtime.

As ever, it will be a busy term – where we hope your children will feel happy and comfortable in their classes. If you have any worries or concerns, always come and speak to us – there is always something we can do to help.

Kind regards,
Lou Kirkman



Key dates

Autumn Term	
W/c Monday 9 th September	Class Meet and Greet
W/c Monday 9 th September	Year 6 Bikeability
Tuesday 17 th September	Weekly swimming sessions – Classes 3 & 4
Tuesday 15 th October	Individual school photos
Friday 25 th October	Last day of Autumn 1 Term
Monday 4 th November	First day of Autumn 2 Term
Friday 20 th December	Last day of Autumn 2 Term