

Delabole Community Primary School Newsletter

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Dear parents and carers,

In this newsletter we have endeavoured to pack in all the dates of key events from now until the end of term as we know you have busy schedules and would like to make plans to support your children as much as possible. As we settle into our final term of the year under our core Value of 'Wisdom', and our Enquiry Question 'How have we learnt from the past?' there really is so much to celebrate and look forward to. The children and teachers are currently working on the school reports of their year. These will come home to you on 12th July and will hopefully reflect all that we are as a community of learners.

Drama Group Performs at Falmouth University

On Wednesday evening, a dramatic ensemble formed from children across both schools and coached by Mrs. Murray and Ms. Thorpe, performed one of Shakespeare's most iconic speeches from 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' as part of the Royal Shakespeare Schools Festival. For the second year running, they performed alongside Secondary schools at Falmouth University. We are so proud to be one of only two primary schools represented in the project, and immensely proud that our talent for exceptional performance and high-quality drama as a core element of our curriculum is being celebrated. Once again, our pupils demonstrated immense commitment and truly blossomed as part of the experience.



London Residential

This was truly a memorable opportunity for our Year 6 children from both schools. They enjoyed four 'high octane' days in the centre of the docklands, staying aboard the scout ship, 'The Lord Amory' and from that base they explored so many iconic sites including: St Pauls Cathedral, The Houses of Parliament, The London Eye, The National Gallery and The Globe Theatre. They even managed to squeeze in a performance of Matilda and shared a fantastic Chinese Supper! My heartfelt thanks go to the staff who accompanied them on this trip. It really is a huge endeavour to conduct a residential of this nature and it was a great success for all involved. The children were excellent ambassadors for our school, and I am sure they were brimming with tales to tell when they returned home.



Porthpean

Next week it is the turn of our Year 4 and 5 children to experience three days of outdoor adventure at Porthpean. We have our fingers crossed for an improvement in the weather and hope they have a fantastic experience. Keep an eye on the class pages of our website for a sample of photos each day.

Year 3 Trip To The Minack

Next week, on Wednesday we will be treating all our Year 3 children to a performance of Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves in the spectacular location of The Minack Theatre. We anticipate that your children will come home full of enthusiasm for the live performance set against the sea. It is a uniquely Cornish experience and an opportunity unlike any other.

Healthy Active Living Week – The Wonder of You

This event takes place in each school over the next two weeks and is linked to our Sports Day activities. As part of our commitment to shaping lifelong learning, under the umbrella of ‘Mind, Body and Soul’ we will explore a different focus on health and wellbeing each day ranging from healthy diets, to emotional wellbeing, outdoor creativity and culminating in our Sports Day. Please could you check the weather forecast for each day and prepare the children accordingly with either sun cream or their coats. They will need to have their PE kits in school all week. In addition to these important learning opportunities, children from Years 4 to 6 will be taking part in the SHEU Health and Wellbeing Survey. This is completed anonymously, and the responses are collated, and the data returned to school to give us a really clear picture of how our children feel about a range of issues such as managing friendships and remaining safe online. We will share the outcomes with parents later this term.



Sports Day Details 20th June

We would love to see as many parents as possible for our Sports Day on Thursday 20th June. As with previous years, there will be a series of events across the full day and parents are welcome to join us at any point from 9:30am. Events will include our traditional dance competition to kick start the day and culminate with the more competitive, traditional track races in the afternoon on the field when we aim to start at 1.15pm and end with the awards ceremony at approximately 3.00pm. Children will be released from their classes at the normal end of day pick up time. In addition, we will be outdoors from around 9:30am and there will be a carousel of games and activities led by our pupil sports leaders. All children will participate in their House Teams and each station will be supported by an adult. We would like to invite parents to bring their own picnic lunch to enjoy on the field with their children before the afternoon track events. Children with packed lunches will also be able to eat their lunch on the field.

Surf Days at Polzeath

This annual event will take place on 24th June for Classes 3 and 4. It is a celebration of our identity as a coastal school and an opportunity for the children to enjoy a day at the beach taking part in beach activities and surf lessons. There are also some really important messages about beach safety and respecting the water – so a memorable learning opportunity as well as being great fun.

Fly Up Days

These will take place on the 1st and 2nd of July when our Year 6 children who are going to Sir James Smiths will be at their new school. All other children will ‘fly up’ to their new year group and sample two days of learning. The new Early Years children are being given several opportunities to sample life in their new class over the next few weeks so they are ready and excited to move on. This year, as previously, there will be some year group splits because of our increasing numbers in order to even out the class sizes. The Senior Leadership team and the class teachers have been in discussion and will base their decisions both on progress and



‘knowing’ the child. For any parents that are affected by this, you will be contacted individually by letter and we will be giving you the opportunity to talk through the details with us prior to the Fly Up days.

Class 4 Summer Performance



Class 4 are currently working hard on preparation for our production of A Midsummer Night's Dream and we are very much looking forward to their final performance of the year which will take place on Monday 22nd July at 1.45pm and 6.00pm for Delabole School. I know the children will be so proud to share their talents with their families – so please do come and join us for a moving and memorable experience.

Carnival Performance

As part of the up and coming Carnival celebrations, Delabole School will once again be performing in the

carnival tent on Thursday 18th July from 11.00am till 12.00pm. We would love to see as many families there as possible. As part of the traditional carnival events, all the children will then be sharing a pasty lunch in the tent. A letter regarding the Pasty Lunch will be coming home next week.

Leavers Assembly

This really important milestone will take place on Wednesday 24th July from 10.45am. The children will then leave through the traditional guard of honour at the end of the day.

FODs – A Sincere Thank you

A huge thank you to our lovely FODS who have supported our School during this year and have donated a large sum towards the Giant project and aprons for Foundation class as well as running termly discos for the children. Their final event for the year is a Disco which is being held on Wednesday 24th July. They will also be serving refreshments at Sports Day and would be grateful for any baked goods.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school for when the warmer weather finally takes hold. We would also ask parents to ensure children have sun cream applied and bring a hat for particularly hot, sunny days.

Busy times!

If you have any questions please contact the lovely ladies in the office.

Best wishes, Sue Cox and the team.



Weeks Commencing 17 th & 24 th June	Healthy Active Living Weeks
Monday 17 th – Wednesday 19 th June	Half Price Book Fair
Monday 17 th – Wednesday 19 th June	Y4/5 Porthpean Residential
Wednesday 19 th June	Year 3 Minack Theatre visit
Thursday 20 th June	Sports Day
Monday 24 th June	Classes 3 & 4 Surfing/Beach day
Monday 1 st & Tuesday 2 nd July	SJS Fly Up Days
Thursday 18 th July – 11 am to 12 noon	Carnival Performance in the marquee followed by Pasty Lunch for pupils
Monday 22 nd July 1.45 pm & 6.00 pm	Class 4 Production
Wednesday 24 th July – 10.45 am	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Wednesday 24 th July	Last day of term 6
Wednesday 24 th July	FODS Disco