

Delabole Community Primary School Newsletter

May 2018

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Dear parents and carers,

The purpose of this Newsletter is really to give parents a round-up of all the up and coming events which will be taking place in school over the coming weeks as the pace picks up until the end of term. This is always such a busy time with so many rites of passage for the children that we want to make it as memorable and enjoyable as possible.

We should perhaps start with a reminder that the end of KS2 SATs will take place the week



commencing the 14th May. Please see the timetable of assessments below. We would like to reassure all parents that these tests will be conducted sensitively with a great deal of care and nurture around the children. They are really well-prepared and are taking each challenge in their stride so we know they are ready to do their best – which is all that we would ask of them. Please use the remaining few days to relax, perhaps dip into the revision books to address any gaps so that they feel confident, and above all, keep a balance between any test preparation and ‘free time’. We will be available to support them with any last minute concerns. If for any reason, you think that your child is going to be late/unable to attend on any of the test days, please ring the office as soon as possible in the morning so that we can find a solution.

SATs Timetable 2018

Monday 14 th May	English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Paper 1 – 45 min <i>BREAK</i> Spellings Paper 2
Tuesday 15 th May	Reading Paper 1 hour
Wednesday 16 th May	Arithmetic Paper 1 30 minutes <i>BREAK</i> Reasoning Paper 2 40 min
Thursday 17 th May	Reasoning Paper 3 40 min

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*All tests will take place in the morning. There will be a breakfast club available to all Y6 children from 8:15am. This will be an opportunity for you to come in and eat with your friends whilst revising/going over any areas you wish to practise.

Similarly – the statutory testing period for Year 2 children will begin on Monday 21st May. Again, in order to ensure that the children do not feel under pressure, these assessments will be conducted sensitively in small groups - or even 1:1 if required. The results will be used to corroborate our Teacher Assessments and will inform the final attainment/progress measures for the school year. These will be shared with you in your child's end of year report.



Royal Shakespeare Company Workshops

This is a fantastic enrichment opportunity for some of our children who have shown a particular talent in drama and performance in KS2. There will be a sequence of workshops afterschool run by Mrs Murray from Delabole, culminating in technical rehearsals and a short performance of an extract of Macbeth in Falmouth on the 15th June. Parents will be invited to attend the evening performance. This opportunity has come our way as part of our affiliation to

Treviglas School as part of the Royal Shakespeare Company's schools project. There is no charge to parents and children will be selected individually. Parents will be contacted by letter.

Year 3 Trip To The Minack 13th June

Having now been part of the Aspire Academy Trust since December, we are lucky to have been offered the opportunity to take our Yr 3 children on 'A Grand Day Out' to see a performance of Dr Dolittle at the Minack Theatre. This is such a lovely experience and a letter will follow shortly. The cost of travel will be covered by Aspire with a small cost to parents for entry into the Minack.

Wavehunters at Poleath

Each year, the pupils of Delabole and Tintagel experience a day on Polzeath beach which is supported by Wavehunters Surf School. We are delighted to announce that this opportunity will take place once again on the dates below:

- Class 4 27th June and Class 3 25th June

Sports Days as part of Healthy Active Week

This year as part of our commitment to all aspects of the health and wellbeing of all pupils, we will be running our Sports Days as part of a Healthy Active Week. During this week, much of our learning will focus on nutrition, physical activities and some emotional intelligence sessions. Dates for Sports Day are as follows.

Thursday 21st June. Reserve date Friday 22nd June.

This is one of the most enjoyable school community events of the year so please keep your diaries free.

Transition Arrangements/Fly Up Days

We are – as always – delighted to be welcoming a new cohort of children into our Early Years class in September. In order to ensure that this hugely important milestone is as joyful and non-threatening as it can be, our EYFS team have planned a sequence of transition events which will allow children to build their confidence, whilst also helping parents to ensure their children are 'school ready'. A really important welcome and information sharing session will take Wednesday 6th June 6.00 till 7.00pm.

Fly Up days for all our pupils will take place on Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd July when they will be able to experience learning with their new teacher and create some beautiful displays for the September classroom



Keeping Children Safe – RNLI Assembly



Once again, we have recently had a really lively assembly led by representatives from the RNLI. Although the children were really entertained and enjoyed re-enacting scenarios, there was a really serious message about respecting the sea and knowing how to minimize risk. I was really impressed with the children's engagement and level of knowledge so talk to them about how to be safe on the beach. They are the experts!

FODS Quiz and Curry night

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the FODs team for making it such an enjoyable community event.

Thank you from FODS

The joint fundraising event between FODS and St Piran's Playschool went extremely well last week. With a fantastic 103 tickets sold the church was full to the brim with poppadums, curry, and laughter. The quiz provided some light entertainment with the winning firefighter team taking away a trophy and some chocolate. A total of £1600 was raised which will be split between FODS and the Playschool. We would like to say thank you for everyone who attended, bought raffle tickets or donated puddings and raffle prizes. The children of Delabole will benefit directly.

Headlice

Please check your child's hair over this weekend as we have had reports of head lice in classes. Thank you.

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Best Wishes



Sue Cox and the team

Key Dates

Wk beginning Monday 14 th May	SATs week for year 6 – ensure your child is in school
Saturday 19 th May	Deli Farm Run
Wk beginning Monday 21 st May	SATs week for year 2 – ensure your child is in school
Wednesday 23 rd May	Year 6 Residential to Bristol
Friday 25 th May	Last day of Term 5
Monday 4 th June	First day of Term 6
Tuesday 5 th June	Class photos
Friday 8 th June	School Closed – Community Cohesion Day
Thursday 21 st June	Sports Day
Monday 2 nd and Tuesday 3 rd July	Fly Up days
Friday 20 th July	Last day of Term 6