Delabole Community Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

Pride in our Year 6 children.

Year 6 parents will be aware that the children – alongside their peers across the country – have been completing their SATs tests this week. They have been incredibly focused and hard-working, and we are truly proud of them. No matter what the outcome from the tests, they have shown that they are mature, focused and quietly ambitious for their futures. It is the quiet aspiration that I have admired the most and for that very reason, I know they will be a credit to their Secondary schools as they move on at the end of the year. Well done to one and all, and a thank you to all the parents who nurtured their children through the challenging papers. It is also worth mentioning the respect that the other children have shown our year 6, and of course, the way in which the whole Tribe of Delabole has pulled together to make sure the children can meet their best potential.

KS1 Assessments

Next week, the assessment and reporting window for our year 2 children opens. This means that throughout the week, the children will be supported through some assessments which measure their progress and attainment in Reading, Maths and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. Each day, key members of staff including: Miss Whymer, Mrs Dingle and Mrs Cox will be working in small groups or 1:1 situations with the children. We deliberately keep these 'quizzes' very low key in school in order to minimize any pressure on the children. The outcomes from the assessments are combined with ongoing teacher assessments and are reported to the DfE via Cornwall County Council as part of our statutory responsibilities. All we ask of our parents is that they ensure the children are well-rested after the weekend and have a good breakfast each morning. All we ask of our children is that they come to school with a smile and do their best. The results from all assessments will be shared with parents via school reports at the end of the academic year. If you have any concerns – please to talk to the class teacher or Mrs Cox. Their writing is assessed as part of ongoing teacher assessment in class.

Enjoying PE

Just a gentle reminder that we have really high expectations of dress codes for PE – especially as children need to be able to take part in all weathers safely. Thank you to all those parents who are providing children with smart, named kit. Please could all parents make sure their child brings a PE kit to school ready for sporting activities. Do check with your child's teacher if unsure. This should be in line with the school uniform policy. It is essential that jewellery is not worn for PE please.

Aspire Academy Trust News

As you know, our school is a member of the Aspire Academy Trust and at the end of this summer term, the CEO of the Trust, Mr Andrew Fielder, is retiring. Current Deputy CEO Mrs Vanessa Bragg will become interim CEO and Mrs Rachel Warwick, who is currently an Aspire Director, will step up into Vanessa's shoes. Mr Fielder has been in education for many years and has headed up the Trust from its inception. Mrs Bragg said "It's a privilege to be appointed interim CEO, leading a truly inspirational and aspirational educational trust of 28 primary academies, full of hugely talented staff and children. I'd like to extend my gratitude to Mr Fielder for his outstanding leadership and we wish him all the best in his retirement."

Best Wishes

Sue Cox and the team

Key Dates this Term

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Saturday 18 th May	Deli Farm Run
Tuesday 21st May – Friday 24th May	Y6 London Residential
Friday 24th May	Last day of term 5
Monday 3rd June	First day of term 6
Friday 7th June	Community Cohesion Day – School Closed
Thursday 13 th – Wednesday 19 th June	Half Price Book Fair
Monday 17 th – Wednesday 19 th June	Y4/5 Porthpean Residential
Thursday 20 th June	Sports Day
Monday 1 st & Tuesday 2 nd July	SJS Fly Up Days
Thursday 24th July	Last day of term 6