

Delabole Community Primary School Newsletter

April 2022

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Dear Parents/Carers

We have made it successfully through to Easter and we hope you are looking forward to a break, recuperation and perhaps a nibble or two of chocolate over the next few weeks.

Responsibility and the Future

This half term, our whole school value was RESPONSIBILITY and our Enquiry question across the school is, 'How are we looking after our world for future generations?'. This question has underpinned the curriculum experiences for the children in every class, in assembly and on their experiences outside of the school. Amazing learning, Tribe of Delabole.



Staffing Pressures

Over this term, we have had to negotiate a very large number of staff absences due to high number of positive Covid cases. The impact has been felt across the whole school. The whole team far and wide has been incredible in overcoming the daily challenges to ensure safe and good provision for the school. This will have meant unfortunately that some things haven't happened that we would have normally wanted to take place. As the whole country moves forwards tentatively, we certainly hope it won't become as challenging again. However, we know that together as a school we were able to rise above the challenge, learn from it and succeed. This would not be possible without the support and understanding of our whole community. A huge thankyou to everyone for stepping up and going above and beyond.

Digital Safety

It is all of our responsibility to teach and ensure our children are able to keep themselves safe. One of the most significant challenges we face is how we educate and monitor our children's safe use of digital technology. We take this issue very seriously. In school, we discuss what is appropriate, what to do to keep safe and what to do if children do feel or are unsafe. This is really important to do at home as well.

We must also ensure that we know exactly what our children are able to access. It can be a minefield at times as their habits and skills, games, platforms and content can vary so much. This is why we must be constantly vigilant. The Trust provides a regularly updated page with information and resources to support parents so that our children can stay digitally safe. [Internet Safety - The Aspire Academy Trust](#) Once again, if you do want to speak to anybody in school then please get in touch.

Parent Consultations

We will rearrange any postponed or missed parent consultations when we return in the Summer Term. However, and as always please contact the school if you want to discuss anything about your child.

Managing the Increasing Cost of Living

Every one of us will be feeling the impact of the increased cost of living. However, the degree and consequence of that impact will not be the same for all of us. It will be felt most by those who have the least. Our community is particularly reliant of oil and so price increases will be particularly keenly felt here. More than ever, the school is here to offer support and direction to other external agencies and services which may be able to help anybody. Please do not hesitate to contact us.



Love Reading Assembly Volunteers

Once a week, we come together as a school in a 'Love Reading' Assembly. Every adult in school has begun to share a little piece of love of literature. Mr Pritchard has already spoken to several members of our community about the possibility of coming into read from a favourite text and share their personal love of books. It is about sharing the diversity, inclusivity, importance, joy and beauty of books. If you think you would like to take part then please get in touch, be brave and share some of your special story. It really could make a difference.

Enjoy those morsels of chocolate and here is to looking onwards and upwards to the Summer Term.

Best wishes,

The Delabole Team

Key Dates

Spring Term 2022	
Friday 8th April	FODs Rainbow Disco & Last day of Spring Term 2
Summer Term 2022	
Monday 25th April	First day of Summer Term 1
Monday 9th May – Friday 13th May	SATS week
Saturday 21 st May	Deli Farm Run
Tuesday 24th May – Friday 27th May	Y6 Bristol Residential
Friday 27th May	Last day of Summer Term 1
Monday 6th June	First day of Summer Term 2
Friday 10th June	INSET day – school closed to pupils
Wednesday 29 th June to Friday 1 st July	Year 4 & Year 5 Delabole Camp
Friday 22nd July	Last day of Summer Term 2
Monday 25th & Tuesday 26th July	INSET days – school closed to pupils