Delabole Community Primary School Newsletter July 2021

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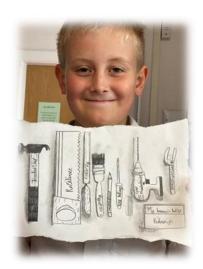


Dear Parents and Carers

The final days of term are upon us and the academic year is about to draw to a close. Although it was certainly not what we all expected and planned for last September, we are truly so proud of our whole community for pulling together and guiding us safely through it all.

Fly Up

Our extended Fly Up week proved to be extremely successful this year, with everyone really getting into the swing of their new classes. All the children had an excellent deep dive into the Learning Toolkit as the children considered how the future is theirs to shape. This will serve as an excellent foundation for all of their learning next year. They will also have familiarized themselves with all the new faces in their class, know about key routines and will be excited moving forwards. If you do have any remaining questions or concerns, do let us know before the end of term.



<u>Staffing</u>

As you will already be aware, next year, Mrs Dickinson will taking maternity leave and Mr Chafer is leaving for new pastures and we wish both of them the best. We will be welcoming two new members of staff, Mr Stevenson and Miss Morse in Class 1 and 2 respectively. We would also like to let you know from September, our Class 4 teacher, Mrs Murray has recently changed her name and will now be Miss Honey.

Celebrations Of Learning

All the children will have received their Celebrations of Learning now. If you would like to send your feedback to the office, we would be very grateful. Likewise, if there is anything you would like to discuss, please let the office know so we can arrange for the class teacher to contact you.

Parent Feedback

We had a good response to our Parent View questionnaire. Your voice and views really matter and we are pleased that the feedback was largely positive. However, the results will certainly identify opportunities to improve our school and shape the plans we make as we move forwards into next year. We will send out a copy of the results in a separate attachment.

Social Media

As we are all aware, social media has so many positives and we will continue to use Facebook, Twitter and our website to celebrate and share our school culture and ethos. We also ask our community, as connected users to remember and respect that. Inappropriate, offensive and threatening language about any member of the staff and school is not only deeply unkind and insensitive but also undermines our whole culture and our community itself. We will use our legal right to protect the welfare and safety of our staff if it does occur. We always welcome feedback and we will always listen and learn but we would like to remind our community that there is always a kind, correct and legal way to approach issues and concerns.

Residentials

Many of our community will have seen our children rambling through the village, woods and fields during our Residential Camp. The camp was a huge success and will live long in the memories of the children. Many of these memories have been captured and shared on social media. A huge thank you too everyone who made it possible.









FoDS

Amidst the challenges, we would like to once again express our gratitude for the support and commitment shown by our FoDS team. Their best laid and well thought plans have often had to be changed, adapted or cancelled but they have still come forward at every opportunity to support our children. We will be seeing much more of them next year and the school disco will return.



<u>Uniform</u>

I'm sure over the summer many of you will be replacing your child's school uniform. Can we remind you to ensure that all uniform is clearly named when children return to school. In September, children will need to bring their PE kits into school rather than wearing them on a PE day. Please ensure your child has a red T shirt and black shorts or tracksuit bottoms/leggings. You can buy the school PET Shirt on ParentPay.

Lost Property

The lost property bin is somewhat sadly over flowing. We will be spreading out all of the clothes, hats, shoes and boots in the front playground on the last day. If you have lost anything, please do come and take a look.

Year 6

This week is a huge milestone for our Year 6 pupils who will be leaving us on Thursday. They haven't been able to carry out many events in a traditional style but have been working hard on their Romeo and Juliet performance that we will be sharing digitally. The parents of all the Y6 children have also been invited for a traditional Tea Party to wave them off and say good bye. On the last day, at 3pm, we would like to gather together and send them off in traditional style though the playground.



Swimming

Thankfully, we will be able to offer swimming for all the children once again. Beginning in Autumn, Classes 3 and 4 will go every week on a Tuesday afternoon. Classes 1 and 2 will go on a Thursday afternoon. Reception class will dive during the Summer Term. More details will follow in September but please ensure your child has an appropriate swimming kit ready.

Summer Opportunities

There are some more opportunities for our children over the summer. Wild Tribe are offering Outdoor Learning Camps at Liskeard, please see the attached flier. Tintagel Brownies meet every Wednesday (starting again in September) from 6pm to 7.30pm at Tintagel Social Hall. This is for girls aged 7+ and involves fun, trips, learning, games and camp. For more information, please contact Brown Owl 07866 788168.

And finally..

Once again, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff, pupils, parents and our whole school community for all of your support and hard work this year. We are all desperately looking forward to things hopefully returning to a more normal state of affairs as we all move forwards together. Stay safe and we will all see each other when we return in September.

Best wishes

- CHH

James Pritchard and the team

Key dates

Thursday 22 nd July	Last day of Term 6
Monday 6 th September	INSET Day – School closed to pupils
Tuesday 7 th September	First day back for children
Tuesday 21st September	First swim session for classes 3 & 4
Thursday 23 rd September	First swim session for classes 1 & 2
Thursday 23 rd September	Individual photographs
Thursday 7 th October	Flu immunisations
Friday 22 nd October	INSET Day – School closed to pupils
Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th October	Half Term