

New Delaval Primary School Newsletter - November 2017

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Dear Parents/Carers

Here we are rushing quickly towards the end of term. There is so much to fit in to the remaining 4 weeks left at school! Overleaf is an updated events page, giving the latest details on events happening in school. Please note there will not be an evening performance of our pantomime production on Monday 18th December. Christmas Craft sessions are added, these sessions will take place in classrooms, please make a note of the dates and times we look forward to seeing as many parents, carers and grandparents at these festive sessions!

As last year New Delaval will be taking part in Christmas Jumper Day, (Friday 15th December) for a donation to Save The Children pupils can come along to school in a Christmas jumper, I look forward to seeing some fantastic Christmas creations!

I am delighted to let you know that New Delaval has been awarded the Silver Artsmark award, congratulations to Ms Newell and pupils who worked extremely hard in submitting case studies to the arts council we are thrilled with the result. We will be displaying our logo with pride!

A reminder to parents who have children moving to Reception class in September 2018, the county admission portal is open. It is essential that you apply for a place in New Delaval even if your child already attends our Nursery. Closing date for applications is **15th January 2018**.

In a bid to boost attendance figures we are promoting a Full Attendance Week (week beginning 11th December) currently whole school attendance stands at 96.2% so, we are only just above our target of 96%. A small prize and certificate will be awarded to those children who attend school all week and are on time every day during this week.

Many thanks for your support.

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Mrs D T Worrall
Headteacher



Children In Need

Thank you for your kind
donations
we raised




£160.48



Winter Weather

As the winter weather sets in can you please make sure your child comes to school in appropriate winter weather clothing. Please make sure all winter coats, hats, gloves and scarves are clearly named.

For lots more information!
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When	Event	Who?
Monday 4th December	Visit to Hancock Museum	Year 3 9:00am - 3:15pm
Wednesday 5th December	Christmas Tiddlywinks Session	Nursery 12:45-3:15pm
Wednesday 6th December	Panto Visit	Cast of Pantomime 12:15pm –3:30pm
Monday 11th – Friday 15th December	Full Attendance Week	Whole School
Wednesday 13th December 2:00pm-3:00pm	 Christmas Craft Sessions	Nursery & Reception Class Parents/Carers Welcome!
Wednesday 13th December 2:00pm-3:00pm	 Christmas Craft Sessions	Year 3 & 5 Parents/Carers Welcome
Thursday 14th December 2:00pm-3:00pm	 Christmas Craft Sessions	Year 1,2,4 & 6 Parents/Carers Welcome
Friday 15th December	Christmas Jumper Day	Whole School for a donation to Save the Children come to school in a Christmas Jumper!
Monday 18th December 9:00am	EYFS Christmas Performance	Reception Class & Nursery Parents/Carers welcome!
Tuesday 19th December 9:00am	KS1 Performance	Year 1 & Year 2 Parents/Carers welcome
Tuesday 19th December 2:00pm	Panto Performance	For parents/carers and small children
Tuesday 19th December 7:00pm	Panto Performance	For parents/carers
Wednesday 20th December	Christmas Lunch	Reception - Year 6
Thursday 21st December	Christmas Party Day	Whole School
Friday 22nd December 2:00pm	End of Term	Whole School
Monday 8th January 2018 8:45am	Start of Spring Term	Whole School

Please note there will be a tombola stall in school during Christmas Craft days.

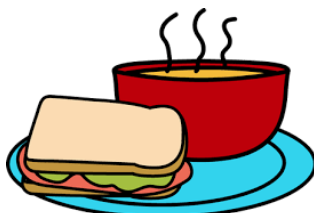


School Lunch - Winter Menus

Parents/Carers will be aware that we have changed to winter menus.

We would be grateful for any feedback on school meals;

Many thanks



Reminder from the school office

Please make sure reply slips for trips and other activities are returned as soon as possible to the school office. If not, this could result in your child not participating in their trip or event.

Many thanks

Reporting Illness

Please contact school on the **first** day of your child's illness before 9:00am. Please ring **01670 353255** for out of office hours please leave a message on the answer machine.

We also have the facility to text your message please text your message to **07860005171**

Your child's absence will be recorded as unauthorised if a reason is not given. Please note any attendance figure under **90%** is classified by the government as a persistent absentee. As a school we are obliged to send out letters to families of those pupils who fall below this figure. Please contact school if you wish to discuss this further.

Holiday or Occasion of Closure	Date on which school will close	Date on which school will reassemble
Christmas/New Year 2017/2018	Friday 22nd December 2:00pm	Monday 8th January 2018 8:45am
Spring Mid-term Break 2018	Friday 9th February 3:15pm	Monday 19th February 8:45am
Easter	Friday 29th March 2:00pm	Monday 16th April 8:45am
May Day - Bank Holiday	Monday 7th May	Tuesday 8th May 8:45am
Summer Mid-term Break	Friday 25th May 3:15pm	Tuesday 5th June 8:45am
Teacher Training Day School Closed to Pupils	Monday 4th June	
Summer Break	Friday 20th July 2018 2:00pm	Wednesday 5th September 8:45am

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Christmas Raffle

Children will be coming home with raffle tickets for our Christmas Raffle. The tickets are priced at 50p per strip. If you require any more raffle tickets please call into the school office. Raffle prizes will be on display during Christmas performances and there will be an opportunity to purchase tickets at these performances.



PE Kits

Please make sure your child brings their PE kit to school every Monday and leaves it in school until Friday. A PE kit should also include tracksuit bottoms and a warm top for outdoor PE.

No dogs are allowed on the school site. Even if they are small enough to be carried!

Following a recent incident please do not tie your dog up against the school gate or fence

Many thanks



Guidance on School Closure Due to Adverse Weather Conditions or Other Unforeseen Circumstances



Decisions to close schools are only taken when safety or welfare of the pupils at school or travelling to school is likely to be adversely affected.

Head teachers are advised to keep schools open wherever possible and must explore other alternatives before making the decision to close school. **IF** it was necessary to close school, parents would be advised as soon as possible using the following methods.

- Metro Radio
- Radio Newcastle
- Northumberland County Council website
- (www.northumberland.gov.uk)
- Text message

Please note closing school is unlikely. It is very important that children attend school regularly to achieve their full potential through learning.

IMPORTANT DIARY DATE

Year 6 SATS
Week beginning
14th May 2018

Please note **all** Year 6 children must be in school for national assessment in this week.



Preventing Bugs and Germs

It's that time of year again where there seems to be lots of coughs, colds and bugs going around. In order to prevent infection can parents please encourage children to observe rigorous hygiene. We will continue to remind children of the importance of regular hand washing and other measures to prevent the spread of germs. We appreciate your support.

Reminder from School Office

Please make sure all cash is posted through the letter box in our reception area in the main office.

Lunch money envelopes should be used for lunch money only.

Many thanks

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