

New Delaval Primary School Newsletter - February 2018

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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you enjoyed the half term break, it is lovely to see everyone back to school and ready to learn!

You should receive your child's report this week, please read it through and if you have any queries or questions please speak to your child's teacher during parent evenings next week. If you have not already made an appointment please contact the school office. Parents evenings are taking place on Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th February from 3:30pm until 7:00pm.

World Book Day

As you will already know New Delaval is celebrating World Book day on **Friday 2nd March**, we have invited storyteller Chris Bostock into school and he will work with the children throughout the day. The final session will be from 3:30pm where parents and carers are invited into the hall to hear Chris tell a final story. We look forward to seeing you there!

Driving Incidents

It has been brought to my attention that at both the start and end of the school day near miss driving incidents have occurred around the school site. There are still reports of cars driving the wrong way down the one-way system and driving too fast around the corner next to the park. Can I please ask all drivers to lower their speed and take notice of the one way system that is in place.

Parent Questionnaire

Many thanks to all of you who took the time to complete the Parent Questionnaire. It is incredibly useful for us to have your feedback and helps us to improve our service to you. A more detailed evaluation will come out shortly but in the meantime myself and Governors were thrilled with how positive and complimentary your comments were. I have passed all of your lovely messages onto the staff. We also issued a questionnaire to the children and you will be pleased to know the results were very similar.

Finally thank you for taking time to read the issues from last month's newsletter around attendance and punctuality, there has been a noticeable decrease in children arriving late to school which is very encouraging. Thank you for your support.

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Mrs D T Worrall
Headteacher

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WORLD BOOK DAY

Parents and carers should have received a letter giving information on World Book Day. This year we will be celebrating the event on Friday 2nd March.

We will be using this event to continue our policy of promoting a love of reading throughout the whole of our school. As usual, we are encouraging pupils to dress up as a character from a book that they have read. This does not *have* to be a costume bought from a shop.

More important than dressing up, however, will be for children to **bring a book from home** that they can talk about. This may be the book that your child was given by their Class Teacher at Christmas or a book that they have borrowed from the local library.

Prizes will be awarded for pupils who show imagination in their choice of costume and book from home. The costume and book do not have to be linked.

We have arranged for a story-teller to spend the day in school and there will be an opportunity for **adults to come back into school from 3.30pm-4pm to meet the story-teller** with their children and listen to him in the hall. The story-teller is Chris Bostock and you can check out his website -

<http://chrisbostock.co.uk/>

We look forward to seeing as many of you at the final event of the day.



Number Day 2018

Thank you for your donations to
Number Day

Total - £52.00



New Delaval Primary School will be taking part in Sport Relief on **Friday 23rd March**. Wristbands will be on sale nearer the time priced at £1:00. More details about the day will follow soon.

Swimming - Year 3

Year 3 will start their swimming lessons in the Summer term (**Monday 23rd April**). Boys are requested **NOT** to wear surfer shorts as they drag in the water.

The school office has a small supply of swimming caps available at £2:00



Head Lice

We have had a number of reports of head lice in school.

We ask that parents/carers regularly check your child's hair and treat if necessary. The NHS website below provides helpful advice on treatment.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

Newcastle United Family Football Programme



A big thank you to all of our parents and children who took part in the 6 week course from the Newcastle United Foundation. The final part of the event was a visit to St James' Park. The event saw more than three hundred adults and children visit the ground to celebrate their achievements. Each child who attended the event received a certificate on stage presented by representatives from both the Men's and Women's team including Owen Bailey, Michael Newberry, Victor Fernandez and Michaela Raine. A number of awards were also presented including: Family of the Year, Child Learner of the Year, Adult Learner of the Year and School of the Year.

Huge congratulations to Jodie Sutcliffe and her dad who won FAMILY OF THE YEAR!

Participants also had the opportunity to enter a raffle with three main prizes being won on the night; a signed Newcastle United shirt, a signed ball, and two match tickets for the Magpies' games against Manchester United.

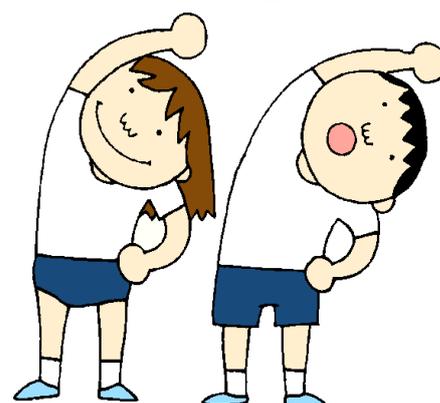
The night was capped off by free mini stadium tours for all the families who attended.

The Family Football Programme is a six week course designed to engage adults and children to learn together through football. Its main aim is to help create stronger, healthier families through working together both in the classroom and on the sports field.

P.E Kits in school

Please can we remind everyone that it saves a lot of time in searching for kit if every child has their PE kit in school all week for PE lessons.

As many of the sessions are now outdoors then tracksuit bottoms can be worn for warmth and trainers are also required for these lessons.



When	Event	Who?
Tuesday 27th February 2018 3:30pm - 7:00pm	Parents Evenings	Reception - Y6
Wednesday 28th February 2018 3:30pm - 7:00pm	Parents Evenings	Reception - Y6
Friday 2nd March	World Book Day Celebration Come to school dressed as a favourite character from a book. Bring a favourite book into school.	2's - Y6
Friday 2nd March 3:30pm-4:00pm School Hall	Storyteller session	All parents/carers and children
Wednesday 7th March 9:00am - 3:30pm	Jarrow Hall Trip	Year 5
Monday 12th March Friday 16th March	Science Week	Whole School
Friday 23rd March	Sports Relief	Whole School
Wednesday 28th March 2:00pm	Nursery Invitation	For those parents with children starting Nursery in April 2018
Thursday 29th March	End of term School closes at 2:00pm	Whole School
Monday 16th April	School re-opens for Summer term	Whole School



Easter Crafts and Easter Egg Competition

An Easter craft session will take place in week beginning 26th March 2018. Further details to follow on this and our annual Easter Egg Competition.



Annual Easter Raffle

Tickets will be sent out shortly for our Easter raffle. Priced at 50p per strip. If you would like further supplies please call into the school office.

