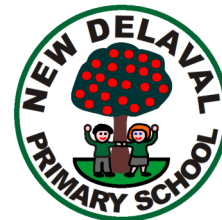


New Delaval Primary School Newsletter - November 2019

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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! Inside this month's newsletter is a diary page, giving the latest details on events happening in school. Please add to your calendar as no further reminders will be sent out.

A reminder to parents who have children moving to Reception class in September 2020, 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 2020**. **Please also note we currently have places left in our Nursery afternoon sessions contact the school office if you are interested. (Your child must be three years old).**

Our Community Christmas tree will shortly be going up, parents and pupils are invited to decorate the tree with any spare baubles or tinsel from home. It always looks very festive throughout December! If anyone would like to have the tree for their own home it will be available to collect on Friday 20th December, please contact the school office to express an interest, Mr Struthers will contact the lucky owners with delivery/collection information.

As last year New Delaval will be taking part in Christmas Jumper Day, **(Friday 13th 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 look forward to seeing you all at our performances and productions throughout December.

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Mrs D T Worrall
Headteacher

Christmas Donations - Blyth Food Bank



Following up on a suggestion last year from one of our parents we are asking you again, to support this local good cause over the festive period. If possible, we would like donations of tins/toiletries etc no fresh produce, to help families over what can be a difficult time of year. Please donate your items into the boxes in the school office.

Thank you very much for your support. It is very much appreciated by the Food Bank volunteers and clients.

Deadline date Friday 13th December

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Operation Christmas Child Amazing Effort from Charlotte!

Charlotte has handed over 15 shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. After researching a charity that is close to her heart she created a promotional video which she sent to Blyth Valley Vixens, and which she also presented at Blyth Family Church. For over two weeks she collected items from people willing to help, as well as donating her own teddies and toys to those less fortunate.

Finally, with the help of her grandparents and her brother she was able to deliver her boxes, wrapped and stuffed!



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.



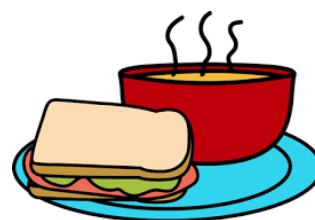
Preventing Bugs and Germs

It's that time of year again where there seems to be lots of 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. If your child has the sickness and diarrhoea bug, in line with NHS guidelines we request that you keep your child away from school for **48 hours** from the last episode of sickness.

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



Christmas Raffle



Children will be coming home with raffle tickets for our Christmas Raffle.

The tickets are priced at £1:00 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.



Children In Need
We raised £195.80
Many Thanks

Evacuee Tea Party

Thank you we raised £83.39
which will go to the British
Poppy Appeal



Notice from **Nursery & 2 year Old Unit**

A stroller/buggy has been left
outside Nursery & 2's for some
weeks now. Staff have tried to
locate the owner but with no
success. If it is not claimed by
Friday 6th December it will be
disposed of.

Aldi Kits for Schools



Find out more
information on
how to get stuck
in with Aldi.



A massive thankyou to everyone who contributed to the completion of the Aldi Kits for Schools poster. Our entry is sent off and fingers crossed we may be one of the lucky 20 schools to win £20,000!
Many Thanks

Holidays In Term Time

Taking holidays in term time will affect a child's schooling as much as any other absence and we expect parents to help us by not taking children away in school time. There is no automatic entitlement in law to time off in school time to go on holiday. Amendments to the 2006 regulations make clear that the Headteacher may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Points to remember

If your child is absent you must phone school or inform the office on the first morning of their absence. Failing to do so will mean their absence is recorded as unauthorised, which can trigger involvement from the Education Welfare Officer.

Holidays should be avoided in school time. If they are unavoidable a holiday form must be submitted

Children falling below 90% attendance are classed as persistent absentees and will be monitored by school and in some cases by the Education Welfare Officer

Key dates when holidays must not be taken:

- Month of May: Year 2 end of Key Stage assessments:
- Week commencing 11th May: Year 6 SATs
- Week commencing 8th June: Year 1 phonic check

These dates are set by the Government and school does not have flexibility to change the dates.

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| Date and Time | Event | Who? |
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| Thursday 5th December | Flu Immunisations | Reception - Year 6 |
| Wednesday 11th December | Hatton Galleries Visit | Year 5 |
| Thursday 12th December 1:45pm-3:15pm | Christmas Craft Afternoon | Whole School |
| Friday 13th December | Christmas Jumper Day | Whole School (In aid of Save the Children) |
| Monday 16th December 9:00am | EYFS Christmas Performance | Parents/Carers of children in EYFS |
| Monday 16th December 2:00pm | Panto Performance | All Welcome (including pre-school children) |
| Monday 16th December 6:30pm | Panto Performance | All Welcome (excluding pre-school children) |
| Tuesday 17th December 9:00am | KS1 Performance | Parents/Carers of children in KS1 |
| Tuesday 17th December 2:00pm | Panto Performance | All Welcome (including pre-school children) |
| Tuesday 17th December 6:30pm | Panto Performance | All Welcome (excluding pre-school children) |
| Wednesday 18th December 12noon | Christmas Lunch | Whole School |
| Thursday 19th December | Christmas Party Day | Whole School |
| Friday 20th December | End of term | School Closes at 2:00pm |
| January 6th 2020 8:45am | School Reopens for Spring Term | Whole School |



Our Twitter account is proving to be popular with lots of followers. This is used to instantly share what we are doing within school and helps to bring the children's learning to life. Why not follow us [@newdelprimary](https://twitter.com/newdelprimary)

Nursery Writing Workshops - parents and grandparents are invited to attend to help support your child with writing

- **Every Friday 11:15am - 11:45am**
- **Every Friday 2:45pm -3:15pm**

Reception Reading Workshops - parents and grandparents are invited to attend to help support your child with reading

- **Every Friday 2:45pm-3:15pm**

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