
Delce Infant School Newsletter

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Thank you all for your support during term 3. As always, the coffee morning was very popular. Many of you joined your child's class for a literacy lesson and now have more idea of what your child does in these lessons. The quiz evening was a great success and everyone seemed to have lots of fun trying to find answers to all the "Valentine" questions.

A few new dates and some reminders for your diary!

Healthy Week begins on Monday 1st March.

Class photographs – these will be taken on Wednesday morning 3rd March. Please ensure that your child is wearing school uniform on that day.

Sponsored event – the children will be doing circuits of an obstacle course on Friday 5th March (a slight change of date). Please can you return the sponsor forms to school on that day so that the teachers can record the number of circuits your child has completed.

Mad March Hair Day will be held on Friday 5th March. Children are invited to wear a wacky hairstyle for a donation of £1 to school fund.

ICT – parents will be invited into school between 8th – 12th March to find out what the children are learning in ICT. More about this next week.

Selling of Mother's Day presents will take place on Tuesday 9th March. The children will be able to choose their own present for the price of £1.50. Please send the money in to school on the day in a named purse or envelope.

Year 1 and 2 school trip to the Dockyard – Wednesday 10th March.

The Dockyard visiting the Nursery and Reception classes – Thursday 11th March. You have already received a letter about these events.

Key Stage 1 Music Festival 17th March. Year 1 children will be representing the school.

Parent – Teacher Meetings – The Parent Teacher meetings this term will be held on Wednesday 17th and Thursday 25th March from 3.30 – 6.p.m. A separate letter will be sent to you with more information.

Cheerleader instruction Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th March – Following on from last year's very successful days, Mrs Dhainaut has arranged for all the children to take part again this year.

Easter celebrations - We shall be holding our annual competition at the end of term and children are asked to make a Spring picture at home and bring it to school on Tuesday morning, 30th March. The picture can be drawn, painted, decorated etc. A winner will be chosen from each year group. We shall also be holding a children's raffle on Wednesday 31st March at 2.30 p.m. Tickets will be on sale from the school office from Monday 22nd March, 20p a ticket.

Maths Extravaganza Day! Thursday 1st April (the last day of term). Mrs Seales will be writing to you inviting you in to help the children during the day so please put the date in your diary.

Spring Holiday – the school will be closed from Friday 2nd until Friday 16th April (inclusive). The first day of term 4 will be Monday 19th April.

Early information for next term! Tag Day – Friday 23rd April. We are having a Red and White theme to celebrate St George's Day.

Other information

Our Children's Centre will be opening very soon. Mrs Dot McAdam will be joining our staff next week and comes with a great deal of experience after working at Burnt Oak Children's Centre. She will be our Children's Centre Coordinator and I know she will make herself known to many of you during the next few weeks. This is an exciting venture for us all and she will be speaking to you to find out what you would like from the Children's Centre. Lots more about this in the near future.

Amalgamation The formal consultation is underway. I know many of you have spoken to some of the governors this week who have been around at the beginning and end of days. Medway Council is inviting you all to let them know what you think about the amalgamation so please write them a letter, email or sign the governors' petition expressing your views about amalgamation. The informal consultation last term showed that most parents were against the idea, as are the Education Officers now, but we need you to share your views again with the Council. Mr Smoothy, chair of governors, and I are attending the full council meeting next Tuesday, 4th March, to ask three questions to Cllr Wicks, Education Portfolio Holder. This is a public meeting which will be held at the St George's Centre at 7 p.m. You are very welcome to attend to hear his responses to the questions.

At the end of the formal consultation process (14th March) all the letters, emails etc will be forwarded to the independent adjudicator who will consider all the information sent to him. I have been informed that he (or she) will give us the decision on whether the infant and junior schools should amalgamate by 9th May.

Year 1 and 2 parents - Reading in class Please remember that you are invited into your child's class each Tuesday morning to read with the children until 9.10 a.m. You are then welcome to join us for assembly until 9.25 a.m. I am aware that this time may not be suitable for everyone. We are intending to change the time and day next term so that other parents also have the opportunity to share books with the children should they wish.

Headlice There are a lot of cases of headlice around at the moment. Please check your child's head regularly and if you do find headlice please use conditioner and a nit comb every couple of days until there are no more headlice. It can take several weeks to clear a head! If you need more advice please ask at the office or contact the school nurse.

Yours sincerely

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