

Delce Academy News

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for participating in Parent Consultations this week. Teachers have shared how much they valued and enjoyed the conversations with you about your child's learning. These opportunities are so important for your child. They show your commitment to their learning and progress and enable you to support them at home.

I am leading the weekly assemblies linked to our Core Values. Children are speaking very confidently and making thoughtful contributions to our discussions. We were discussing the value of making mistakes and what core values and mindset can help us to move forward. A year 5 pupil shared an Albert Einstein quote with everyone. "A person who doesn't make mistakes doesn't make anything".

We were very proud of our children this week during our Remembrance Assembly on 11th November. They showed great understanding and respect in their reflections.

Kate Taylor

This week, Edison tried their hands at making pizza and not only were the finished pizza's amazing, their listening and sharing skills were on display as well. Pupils also learned how to exchange and how we must always begin in the ones column when subtracting.



Jackson class explored the artist Mirella Bee and looked at her bright, natural patterns. We also looked at kiwi and pomegranate fruits to identify colours and shapes we would include in our artwork. When we finished our art lesson we all enjoyed tasting the fruits too!

Henson class had a great time working together as a team during our school trip to the Historic Chatham Dockyard. We concentrated hard and created our own boats in a boat building workshop as well as observing how ships have changed over time.



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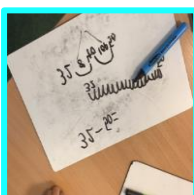
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This week the Explorers have been exploring their new text 'Lunch at 10 Pomegranate street'. We have been looking at healthy and unhealthy food choices and creating lists of ingredients for a recipe. We made jam sandwiches and after eating our sandwich we worked together as a class and created a list of ingredients and wrote down the recipe using time connectives.



This week, Inventors we finished our money focus by 'going to the shop'. We had to ensure the shop keepers gave us the right amount of change. We used our number bonds to 10 knowledge and math skill of bridging 10 to help us.;



This week in Year 3, the children have been continuing to learn about plastic pollution, the effects of it on the environment and the impact it has on the wider world. The children in Year 3 have explored books, leaflets and the internet to gather facts about the issue of plastic pollution. They worked hard to collate these facts and turned them into a poster that they are looking forward to sharing with the other classes in the school next week.



This week in Year 4, we have been working hard on our subtraction skills. We have been challenging ourselves by looking at exchanging. In English, we have been exploring the emotions and choices of the key character 'Fazal' in our core text 'Now or Never'. In Art, we've had fun exploring how to make waves using water colours. Year 4 were also very lucky to have had a visit from Bill, a representative of the Rotary Club, who explained to us how their Shoe Box Appeal works. We are very excited to start planning how we can put our Shoe Boxes together, which we then can donate to their fantastic charity.



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This week in Year 5, we explored this term's core value **Collaboration** in more detail. We understand that collaboration is a vital part of being a successful learner and that to achieve great success we often need to collaborate by working as a team and listening to each other. Therefore, in English we used our **learning behaviour support stems** to help our peers in a positive manner when editing and improving our learning.



This week, in Year 6, we announced our Junior Leadership Team. Through demonstrating the character skills of a positive mindset and integrity, the pupils democratically voted for the boy and girl who would represent them in further enhancing our school.

ATTENDANCE

Our target is 96%- but we are a long way off reaching this goal. The Department for Education tracks attendance carefully and judgements on the effectiveness of a school are partially based on whole school attendance. The national average is 96.7%. **We need your help to improve attendance at Delce Academy.** You can help by coming to school every day and arriving on time. This academic year we have purchased some very special attendance dinosaurs as a special treat for classes with the best attendance each week.

Challenge: Can we get attendance to 94% by the end of this month?



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GET SPOTTY OR WEAR YELLOW!

Bring your donations for Children in Need on Friday 19th November 2021 in exchange for wearing yellow or something spotty.



Non-uniform day Thursday the 25th of November

Children can wear their own clothes to school in exchange for a Christmas themed chocolate donation to go towards the PTA's chocolate hamper tombola, which will be drawn during the last week of term (don't worry if you can't get Christmas chocolate, any chocolate will do!)

Look out for a gateway message telling you how you can buy tickets for the tombola!

If you haven't joined the PTA's Facebook page please do as we publish all our event information on there.



TAG DAY

THANKING ALL GIVERS



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