DELTA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

We have had wonderful start to the new academic year and, as you will see from our newsletter, it has been a busy first half term. Children have settled well into their new classrooms and have to continued to uphold our Delta school values (our logos have been redesigned and are featured at the bottom of this page). Our After School Enrichment Club offer is in full swing and children are participating in clubs linked to sports, games and the creative arts, these are absolutely free of charge and led by our dedicated teachers.

School Improvement Update

As you will all be aware, we have been working tirelessly since our last Ofsted inspection to secure rapid and sustained improvements to our wonderful school and secure the very best standards of education and outcomes for our children. We recently had an in-depth whole-school review from an external consultant who spent two days at Delta to quality assure the improvements that we have made. Thank you to those parents who took the time to talk to our reviewers and give their views. I am delighted to inform you that this was extremely positive and I wanted to share some quotes from the report with you:

"The leaders have introduced a culture of high expectations of staff and pupils...progression in learning and high quality teaching is in place"

"[Parents] noted that significant changes had been made since the last inspection and that they were pleased with the improvements"

"The systems that leaders have implemented have had a very positive impact on behaviour... pupils demonstrate responsible and respectful behaviour and citizenship."

Next term, you will also have the opportunity to meet our teachers for our first parent conference meetings, which will take place on Thursday 14th November. This will be an opportunity for the teachers to share and discuss the progress your child is making so far with their learning. You will be able to sign up for an appointment the first week back.

Reminder: Monday 4th November is a staff INSET day, so the school will be closed. We hope you all have a restful half term and look forward to seeing the children back on Tuesday 5th November.

Sarah Roberts
Executive Headteacher

Bindya Chapaneri
Head of School





READING FIESTA

Reading is a key school focus. Our Delta children celebrated their love of reading as part of our Reading Fiesta! Our Key Stage 2 children became Reading Buddies with our Key Stage 1 and Reception children. Each class took part in a Reading Book Hunt. We also had our families come into school to listen to and read with their children, and also see how we teach reading at school.

A 52LIVES Kind School

Kind

Responsible

Respectful

Resilient

READING FOR PLEASURE

We have a new Reading Zone in school where each class can also go and read for pleasure. Our Delta Staff have also recommended the books they love to read too. The children can also take these books home alongside their book bag book and those who also bring a RWI book home too. Thank you to all the parents, families and teachers who have donated books to the school.
Don't forget you can still join our easy fundraising by clicking on the link below to help raise money for our school Reading Pod:

EASY FUNDRAISING LINK









CITIZENS OF THE FUTURE!

This term, we have introduced Games makers during morning and lunchtime play. Initially, the children in Year 5 and 6 had to write a short account of why they would be suitable role models, how they would share our school values in the playground and how they would encourage active play amongst the children in the playground. After, the children were interviewed and were then observed leading active play and games. Finally, the children who were successful were offered the job! So far, our Games makers are doing a terrific job ensuring all classes participate in active play, team games and activities.





LUNCH AND ECO MONITORS

We have also appointed new Lunch and Eco Monitors. Our Lunch Monitors ensure their classes are making the right choices in the lunch hall such as lining up sensibly, using good manners and socialising with others calmly.
Our Eco Monitors ensure their class lights, interactive whiteboard and heating are turned off when they leave the room. They are also monitor and ensure their class recycle any unwanted paper and plastic bottles.

CLASS WORRY BOXES

Our classes know that they all have a worry box in their classroom, where they can write down anything that is on their mind - no matter how big or small. We also have calm corners where our children can go if they need a quiet space to reflect during part of the day.







NSPCC - SPEAK OUT STAY SAFE

On 30th September, Year 5/6 Jemison and Year 2 Mandela class took part in the NSPCC - Speak out Stay Safe workshop. The workshop helped children understand:

- abuse in all its forms and how to recognise the signs of abuse
- that abuse is never a child's fault and they have the right to be safe
- where to get help and the sources of help available to them, including the Childline service.

The NSPCC workshop leaders commended our children's behaviour and commented that it was clear to see how the school have embedded and worked on ensuring that all the children know who are their trusted adults are and who the children can go to for help.







WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

On 10th October, it was World Mental Health Day and the school supported the charity - The Mental Health Foundation. This year's theme was 'Tea and Talk.' The morning started with a brew-tiful cup of tea with all of our staff before the children came into school where they carried out some ice-breaker scenarios.

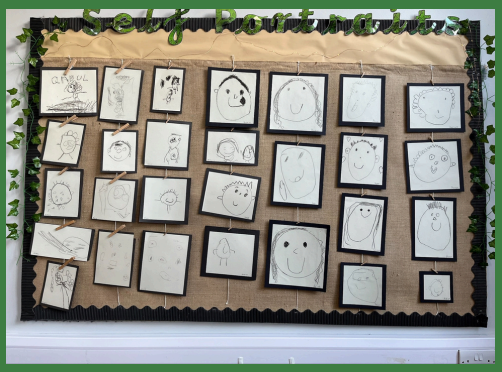
Then we invited our wonderful parents for a 'Tea and Talk' morning and a discussion on the importance of looking after and talking about our mental health. A wonderful parent also baked a cake for all the parents to share!

Then, in the afternoon, the children took part in PSHE lessons linked to mental health and wellbeing, which let their creativi-tea flow and understand the importance of mental health.

Thank you to all the parents who have donated money that we will pass on to The Mental Health Foundation.

ALL ABOUT ME - SELF PORTRAITS

Year Reception/ 1 Kahlo class have settled in well and have been forming new friendships and have been learning new things about each other. The class have drawn beautiful self-portraits of themselves using mark making, line, drawing and using different mediums such as chalk and charcoal.





CAVEMAN STEW!

Year 3 Angelou class were immersed in making 'Caveman Stew' from their core text book, The Stone Age Boy. This helped the children create their story maps before they started their innovation stage of writing a set of instructions.
The children also learnt how to cut and chop vegetables and, with adult support, how to cook and stir the stew until it was time to eat!











YEAR 5/6 JEMISON CLASS ASSEMBLY

On 11th October, Year 5/6 Jemison class shared their learning in their class assembly for their parents and families. Their assembly focused on all the work they have been doing over the past few weeks linked to Black History Month. The children have been studying the diverse text 'The Undefeated' by Kwame Alexander and Kadir Nelson. The class recited the story and also showcased significant people, such as Phillis Wheatley, Walter Tull, Claudette Colvin, LeBron James and, of course - Mae Jemison, which is their class name.
The children also showcased their digital art work based on Derrick O. Boateng and put the assembly PowerPoint together too. The class also arranged the stage production making sure all the props were ready for different parts of the assembly.
The assembly was enjoyed by all and thank you to all our parents and families who came to watch and show their support.







MULTICULTURAL & WORLDVIEW DAY

On Friday 18th October, we held our first Multicultural and Worldview Day for this academic year. The school hall was transformed and decorated with flags and colourful bunting. Our Delta children came to school either wearing traditional clothes from their religion or culture or the colours of the flag.

We started the day by having a guest speaker, Pastor Stewart from Bush Hill Park Community Church, who presented an assembly on the meaning of giving thanks and harvest time for Christians. Then our Site Manager, Daljeet showed and played the Dohl, an Indian drum used at various celebrations in India and in England.

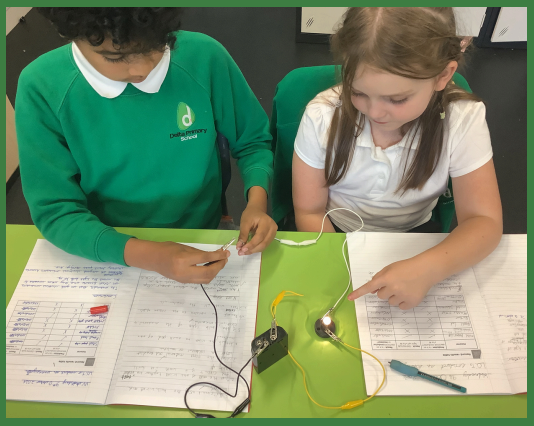
Throughout the day, each class participated in various RE and British Values lessons, which showcased different religions and world-views alongside the children understanding what life is like in multicultural Britain. Finally, each class also participated in Bollywood dance workshop.

It was a memorable day that was enjoyed by everyone. Thank you to everyone who also bought in £1.00 donation, which will be used to buy more books for the school.

LONDON FIRE BRIGADE

On 21st October, Year Reception/Year 1 Kahlo class had a visit from the London Fire Brigade. Our local Firefighters explained their roles and responsibilities and key information about fire safety. This helped the children learn and know about people who help us in our community. The children were also thrilled to be able to have a go at using the fire hose, and sit in the fire engine too! A huge thank you to the Fire Service Team.





SHORT CIRCUIT!

Year 4 Farah class have been using their long term memory and building their knowledge on circuits. The class had to think like scientists during their investigation. They tested different electrical conductors and insulators in a simple series circuits that they have constructed. Then the children used scientific vocabulary to explain their findings for their conclusion.

WHOLE SCHOOL POETRY PERFORMANCE

Year 1 to Year 6 performed their first poetry performance to the rest of the school. This was a huge success last year and we are looking forward to continuing it this year. All the children worked in collaboration to orally rehearse and practice their class poem. Each class performed with confidence and grace. Well done!



YR 1 KAHLO

Poem - Autumn Colours

YR 2 MANDELA

That's no way to learn
(In Victorian times)





YR 3 ANGELOU

Poem - Wings

YR 4 FARAH

Poem - The Crocodile





YR 5/6 JEMISON

Poem - The Undefeated

DELTA SLEEPOVER

On Thursday 24th October, Year 5/6 Jemison class had a sleepover in the school. When they had arrived at school, they were all very excited and had packed their sleeping bags, toiletries and a change of clothes.

The children had a wonderful opportunity to spend time together and participate in team building activities. For dinner, they all enjoyed some pizza, salad and fruit. Followed by an evening of art and craft activities, a scavenger hunt, stargazing in the inflatable dome and hot chocolate and marshmallows before it was time to settle and get ready for bed.

Finally, the children woke up on Friday morning, cleaned their teeth, got dressed in their uniforms, ready to have breakfast before the rest of the school arrived. The children have thoroughly enjoyed this memorable experience!

ACTIVITY 1
The blind trail





DINNER
Pizza, salad and fruit





ACTIVITY 2
Cross the river



ACTIVITY 3
Do you want to build a snowman



ACTIVITY 4
Dream catchers



ACTIVITY 5
Scavenger hunt





ACTIVITY 6
Stargazing in the dome





DELTA PARLIAMENT WEEK

On w/c 5th November we will be celebrating Delta Parliament Week, when we will appoint this year's school parliament members. All the children will vote for their class MP.
This year, we will also be introducing our Year 6 Head Students. The children have already had an application form to complete and will be interviewed the first week back.
The class MPS and Year 6 Head Students will have fortnightly meetings with the Headship team and will be the voice of their peers. Together, they will make decisions about the school.





100% ATTENDANCE

Well done to all the children who have so far been in school everyday and have achieved 100% attendance. You should have received an email congratulating your child.
We except all our Delta children to be punctual and attend school everyday so they do not miss out on all the exciting learning and wonderful events that take place.
Congratulations to **Year 3 Angelou class** for the highest attendance this half term.
1st - 97.5% Year 3 Angelou class
2nd - 97% Year 4 Farah class
3rd - 96.4% Year 5/6 Jemison class
4th - 95% Year Rec/1 Kahlo class
5th - 94% Year 2 Mandela class
We strongly encourage parents/carers to make medical and dental appointments out of school hours where possible. Where this is not possible, pupils should be out of school for the minimum amount of time necessary.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 4th November
INSET DAY - School closed to children

Tuesday 5th November
Back to school - 8.45am

Tuesday 5th November
Delta Parliament Week

Thursday 7th - 13th November
Scholastic Book Fair at school

Monday 11th November
Kindness and Friendship Week
Odd socks Day

Tuesday 12th November
Anti-bullying meeting for parents at 2.30pm

Thursday 14th November
Parent Conference meetings

Friday 15th November
Children In Need

Friday 22nd November
Year 4 Farah Class assembly at 2.40pm

Friday 29th November
French Day

Thursday 12th December
Freshwater Theatre in school - Year Reception/ 1
Millfield Theatre Pantomime trip - Year 2 and Year 3

Friday 13th December
Millfield Theatre Pantomime trip - Year 4 and Year 5/6

Tuesday 17th December
Christmas Song Performance - Year Rec/1 and Year 2

Wednesday 18th December
Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day
Whole School Poetry Performance

Friday 20th December
Pupil of the Term and 100% Attendance Assembly

End of term - 1.30pm finish

TERM DATES - 2024/2025

Autumn Term 2024	
INSET DAY	Monday 2nd September 2024
INSET DAY	Tuesday 3rd September 2024
First Day of Term	Wednesday 4th September 2024
Half Term	Monday 28th – Friday 1st November 2024
INSET DAY	Monday 4th November 2024
Last Day of Term	Friday 20th December 2024 **Finish at 1.30pm**

Spring Term 2025	
First Day of Term	Monday 6th January 2025
Half Term	Monday 17th – Friday 21st February 2025
Last Day of Term	Friday 4th April 2025 **Finish at 1.30pm**

Summer Term 2025	
First Day of Term	Tuesday 22nd April 2025
Bank Holiday	Monday 5th May 2025
Half Term	Monday 26th – Friday 30th May 2025
INSET DAY	Monday 2nd June 2025
Last Day of Term	Friday 18th July 2025 **Finish at 1.30pm**
INSET DAY	Monday 21st July 2025
INSET DAY	Tuesday 22nd July 2025

TERM DATES - 2025/2026

Autumn Term 2025	
INSET DAY	Monday 1st September 2025
INSET DAY	Tuesday 2nd September 2025
First Day of Term	Wednesday 3rd September 2025
Half Term	Monday 27th – Friday 31st October 2025
Start of Second Half Term	Monday 3rd November 2025
Last Day of Term	Friday 19th December 2025 **Finish at 1.30pm**

Spring Term 2026	
INSET DAY	Monday 5th January 2026
First Day of Term	Tuesday 6th January 2026
Half Term	Monday 16th – Friday 20th February 2026
Start of Second Half Term	Monday 20th February 2026
Last Day of Term	Friday 27th March 2026 **Finish at 1.30pm**

Summer Term 2025	
INSET DAY	Monday 13th April 2026
First Day of Term	Tuesday 14th April 2026
Bank Holiday	Monday 4th May 2026
Half Term	Monday 25th – Friday 29th May 2026
Start of Second Half Term	Monday 1st June 2026
Last Day of Term	Friday 17th July 2026 **Finish at 1.30pm**
INSET DAY	Monday 20th July 2026

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