



The Dovedale Times



Meet our crack team of investigative journalists, prowling the corridors of Dovedale with laser-sharp focus. Armed with an unwavering commitment to truth, they chase down leads, challenge institutions, and give voice to the voiceless. Their stories are meticulously researched, fearlessly published, and have the potential to spark national conversations!



Calderstones Fireworks!

One of our very own newspaper editors (modestly will remain anonymous) was at the recent Calderstones Fireworks display at Calderstones High School. It started off with a fire show, where fire sticks were thrown into the air. It appeared like they would drop them, but they didn't! Very exciting! There was music, food, and finally the fireworks began! It was worth the wait!



An action shot from our reporter at the scene.

To feature in our next issue, contact one of our editors with your ideas for a comic strip...

Spotlight on.....



Miss Middleton!

This talkative teacher is currently in charge of a year 6 class.

She is friendly, funny and has spectacular taste in music (rock bands of the past) 🎵. She has a dog called *Dobbie* and two (almost adult) children called, Frankie and Jacob. In her youth, playing the 'tenor horn' in a brass band brought Miss Middleton much joy. She obviously 'hit the right note' with her band members. We interviewed her to find out more about this intriguing teacher...

Have you ever heard of James Bond?

Miss Middleton LOVES James Bond, especially *Casino Royale*!

What's your favourite food?

Italian food. 🍕

What were your parents' jobs when you were young?

Her dad was an accountant and mum was a secretary

What is your favourite subject to teach?

'English, even though I ramble on a bit!'

Where is Miss Middleton originally from?

She is from South Shields, near Newcastle. The accent is a giveaway!

What was your favourite subject at school?

Music. That explains the tenor horn!

What inspired you to become a teacher?

My year 4 teacher. She was really nice and so helpful.



~ Athletics competition ~

Dovedale's very own Mrs Dwan has gladly agreed to be interviewed by us and here's what she said: **What did it feel like?** 'It was one of the best feelings in the world!' **How proud were you?** 'So proud, the behaviour was amazing, both teams totally smashed it!' **What place did you come?** 'First place!' **How long were you out for?** '9:00-12:00' **What activities did you win?** '3 and 4 athletic through to the city champions!' **How did you feel when your place got called out?** 'so so proud. As the numbers got closer and closer, my heart was jumping out of my chest!'



This comic strip is submitted by Caleb, Sam and Freddie in 5DO. It is titled, 'The Power of Reading'

Spotlight On...

The Pastoral Team!

Mrs Murphy, Mrs Keogh and Mrs Fox are the pastoral team! They are kind-hearted and always happy to help! The aim of the Pastoral Team at Dovedale is to ensure everyone feels safe and loved. I interviewed Mrs Keogh to find out more about her role.

Question: 1

Why do you want to help people overcome their worries?

Answer: "I know a lot of people who have worries, and sharing a worry can help you to understand why you are feeling like that."

Question: 2

What are your top 3 tips to help children prepare for secondary school?

Answer:

1. Talk to other kids that are there or have been there
2. Have a look at the school and definitely go to open days to give you a feel of the qualities of the school
3. Feel positive that you moving on to the next part of your education

Question: 3

If you weren't a member of the pastoral team, what job would you have instead?

Answer: "I would be an artist because when I was in primary school, I really enjoyed drawing and painting. Or a chef because I like making people smile with my bakes."

Question: 4

Outside of work what do you do to help your own mental health and to relax?

Answer: "I love spending time with my family and going on long walks with them. Listening to to music and reading brings me much joy too."

Question: 5

What do you enjoy most about your job?

Answer: "The amazing children always cheer me up! Also because Dovedale is great!"

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World Today



Currently on the 11th of the 11th, Europe has been set into silence as we remembered those lost in wars. We had an assembly from Mr Smith about armistice day.

Meanwhile, in Cape Town, South Africa, a climate competition has been hosted by Prince William, the British heir to the throne. The winning group will win 1 million pounds towards the selected project!

In this month's issue, a penguin named Gus, swam from the tip of Antarctica all the way to Australia! It is now in care and ready to swim back to its home continent.

In other news, it has been announced that Liverpool will host the first boxing world championship!

Also, premier League club Everton will be moving to their new home stadium at the end of this Premier League season. The stadium has been under construction since the 22-23 season began.

Moving on, for children in need, Paddy McGuinness raised money by travelling 300 miles from London to Glasgow. We did our own fundraising and made over £1,000!



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LFC Primary Premier League

Dovedale played at Crosby football pitches between 8.45 and 12.15. During that time, the year 6 boys scored five points! The boys that competed played in the said positions below:

Harry - Goalkeeper
Rafi - Bench/Centre Back
Henry - Centre Back
Tadhg - Bench/Centre Back
Leighton - Striker
Seb - Centre Midfielder
Rudy - Centre Midfielder
Oren - Centre Back

In the sports headlines, England won five nil against Ireland this guaranteed them promotion to the next round of the Nations league in the group they finished first with Greece second and Ireland third.



However, in Bali, many flights have been cancelled due to a volcanic eruption. ash clouds make it extremely hard to see and it is a breathing hazard for anyone on board a plane.

On the brighter side, children in need of managed to raise 39 million pounds to those who need it most.



On to dancing on strictly Wynne and Katya said goodbye to the ballroom after they lost the dance off.



The Dovedale Newspaper Editors are:

Eva, Uma, Evie, Ursula, Ellie, Seb, Harry, Emilie and Eva.

Our next issue will be published before Christmas. If you have an exciting story, burning issue, or a suggestion for our next interview, contact the team with your ideas.