Derwent Vale Primary & Nursery School



Newsletter

13th October 2023





Star of the Week



Nursery & Reception

Orla – for fantastic outdoor painting

Year 1/2

Blaine - for a great effort in gymnastics

Year 3/4

Bobby – for great multiplication work

Year 5

Grevson – for brilliant expression in his writing

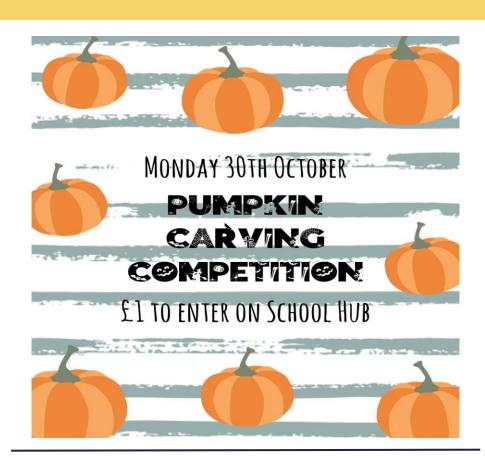
Year 6

Jenson T - for fantastic persuasive writing

Highest Attendance this week: Year 3/4 99.5%

Governor Vacancies

We currently have some vacancies for new governors to join our governing body. You do not need to have had any experience in schools or as a governor and you would be well supported by our current governors. If you are interested or know anyone who would be, please contact the school office for more information. Thank you.





Feet First Active Travel Challenge

We are taking part in the Feet First 5 day Active Travel challenge between Monday 16th and Friday 20th October. The challenge is for pupils & their families to choose an active way of getting to school as many

times as possible over the 5-day period. Walking, using a mobility aid such as a wheelchair, cycling, skating, scooting and park & stride are all active ways of travelling and we hope it will:

Improve health & wellbeing of our pupils & families, encourage pupils and families to be more active, reduce congestion and parking problems around our school and promote active travel for the journey to school and for families to continue to do this after the challenge ends.

We appreciate that it is not always possible for parents to walk with their children to school for the entire journey, but please be aware if you live a long way from school and need to drive you can still take part by parking further away from school and walking the last part of your journey (Park & Stride), or by car sharing with another family.

Children who use school transport during the active challenge week will also be able to collect stickers as this also helps to reduce individual car use on the school run.

Thank you for your support.

Achieving Together

Whole School Attendance

90.6%

Below target

Our Local Authority target is 96%.



Upcoming dates

Monday 16th - Friday 20th October

Feet First Active Travel Challenge

Monday 16th October

Nursery/Reception Parent Meetings

Year 5/6 Cricket

Years 1, 2, 3 Cricket After School Club

Tuesday 17th October

Year 3/4 Cricket

Nursery/Reception, Year 5/6 Yoga

Year 5/6 team – Benchball competition

Year 1/2 Parent Meetings

Wednesday 18th October

Year 3/4 Parent Meetings

Thursday 19th October

Year 5/6 team - Netball competition

Year 1/2, 3/4 Gymnastics

Year 5/6 Parent Meetings

Year 3/4 Street Dance After School Club

Friday 20th October

Year 1/2 St. Luke's Church Visit

3.15pm School closes for half term

Monday 30th October

School re-opens after half term

School Photos

Pumpkin Carving Competition

4pm Nursery/Reception, Year 1/2 Halloween Disco

Tuesday 31st October

Year 1/2, 3/4 Yoga

Year 5/6 Multi-Sports After School Club

4pm Years 3-6 Halloween Disco

Tuesday 7th November

Year 1/2, 3/4 Yoga

Year 5/6 Multi-Sports After School Club

Tuesday 14th November

Year 1/2, 3/4 Yoga

Year 5/6 Multi-Sports After School Club

Wednesday 15th November

Nasal Flu Spray Immunisations

Parent Meetings

Parent meetings will be held for each class next week. Everyone who returned a form should have received their appointment time. If you haven't made an appointment yet, please contact the school office. Thank you.

School Photos

We will be having school photos taken on Monday 30th October (the first day back after half term). If you would like your child to have a photo with siblings who don't attend our school, you are welcome to come into school at 8.30am to have family photos taken. Please wait at the main playground gate and we will bring you in. Thank you.

Year 5/6 Multi-Sports After School Club

There will be a multi-sports after school club for Year 5/6 children starting on Tuesday 31st October and running until Tuesday 5th December, 3.15 – 4.15pm. If you would like to book a place for your child, please email the school office. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis and we will let you know who has a place by Friday 20th October. Thank you.

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Harvest Assembly

Thank you to Stuart from North Lakes Foodbank (and special guest, Timmy the Tuna) who came in for our Harvest assembly today. We would also like to thank the families who supported our Foodbank collection by sending in donations today.







