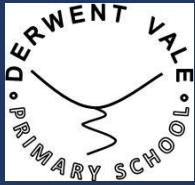


Derwent Vale Primary & Nursery School



Newsletter

19th January 2024



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www.derwentvale.cumbria.sch.uk

Star of the Week

★ Nursery & Reception ★

Isla – for brilliant imaginative outdoor building

★ Year 1/2 ★

Debanie – for a great effort with her speedy reading

★ Year 3/4 ★

Eve – for great attention to detail when following a recipe

★ Year 5 ★

Dixie – for a fantastic newspaper about the Windrush generation

★ Year 6 ★

Jayden – for a great daily effort this week particularly in writing



Nursery Applications

We are now accepting applications to our nursery for children who are due to start in April or September 2024. If you have a child who will turn 3 before April or September or know someone who does, please contact the school office for an application form or more details.

Highest Attendance this week:

Year 3/4 98.3%



Achieving Together

Whole School Attendance

92.9%

Below target

Our Local Authority target is 96%.

Best demonstration of being great communicator

Winning School: [Derwent Vale Primary and Nursery School](#)

Business Mentor: Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project

Social Enterprise: Derwent Vale Primary and Nursery School, "Whitehaven Harbour Project," planned and executed events, such as a festive bake sale and Christmas games. The highlight was the Christmas Cosy Day where various activities and stalls were set up, including selling hot dogs, hot chocolate, Christmas crafts, handmade jewellery, and popcorn. The students created a mini-Christmas market within the school, offering products and treats to their fellow students. The event aimed to bring a sense of warmth and festivity to the school community.

Reason for win: They had to arrange their events around an already busy school diary, communicating with their senior leaders to organise this. The pupils also learn how to communicate with younger pupils respectfully.

Bright Stars

We were delighted to receive news this week that we had won an award for our participation in this year's Bright Stars competition. Well done to Year 5/6 and Mrs Simpson for all their hard work!

Upcoming dates

Monday 22nd January

Nursery/Reception – Rainbow City trip

Tuesday 23rd January

Nursery/Reception, Year 5/6 Yoga

Wednesday 24th January

Year 3/4 Handball

Governors' meeting

Friday 26th January

Year 5/6 Hockey

Tuesday 30th January

Nursery/Reception, Year 5/6 Yoga

Wednesday 31st January

Year 3/4 Handball

Friday 2nd February

Year 5/6 Hockey

Monday 5th February

Years 4, 5, 6 – Young Voices trip

Tuesday 6th February

Nursery/Reception, Year 5/6 Yoga

NURSERY/RECEPTION



Earrings

A reminder that earrings shouldn't be worn to school for health and safety reasons. If ears are newly pierced and earrings can't be removed, they should be fully covered before coming to school. Thank you.