

Derwent Vale Primary & Nursery School

Newsletter

28th June 2024



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www.derwentvale.cumbria.sch.uk

Star of the Week

★ Nursery & Reception ★

Isla – for working scientifically when recording information

★ Year 1/2 ★

George & Jack-Ryan – for a great stop-motion animation

★ Year 3/4 ★

Eve – for great work on finding symmetrical shapes

★ Year 5/6 ★

Kiaya – for settling in well to her new class

Highest Attendance this week:

Year 1/2 93.4%

September Classes

We have now finalised our classes for September and are excited to share them with you. We will be having a whole school transition day on Wednesday next week when all of the children will get to spend the day in their new classes.

We are very sad to say that Miss Steel will be leaving Derwent Vale at the end of the summer term to take up a position in another school. I am sure you will all join us in thanking her for her contribution to our school during her time with us and wish her good luck in her new role.

We will also be losing Miss Thompson and Miss Petre this term and would like to wish them both the very best of luck in their new adventures.

We are delighted to welcome Miss Johnstone to our school who will be taking over the teaching of our Year 1/2 class. Miss Johnstone will be joining us for the transition day next week and we know that you will give her a warm welcome.

We are also looking forward to having Mrs Fletcher back from maternity leave before the end of term.

We look forward to your continued support in the new academic year. Thank you.

Year Group	Class Teacher	Support Staff
Nursery/Reception	Mrs N Steel	Miss D White Miss C Southward
Year 1/2	Miss J Johnstone	Miss A Cowan Mrs L Fletcher
Year 3/4	Mrs E Heron	Miss S Steel
Year 5/6	Mr G O'Townson	Miss A Varty Miss E Irving
PPA cover	Mrs H Simpson	
SENDCo	Mr D Lucey/Mrs H Simpson	

Years 3-6 Summer Show

There will be two performances of this year's summer show of 'Grease' on Wednesday 10th July at 1.30pm and 5.30pm. Tickets are now available to buy on School Hub for £2.50 each. Please add the names of those who will be attending in the comments section. Initially, each child in Years 3-6 will be allocated two tickets for each performance but there may be more available once we have confirmed numbers. Thank you.

Nursery Applications

We are now accepting applications to our nursery for children who are due to start in September 2024 or January 2025. If you have a child who will turn 3 before September or January or know someone who does, please contact the school office for more information.

Achieving Together

Whole School Attendance

88.9%

Below target

Our Local Authority target is 96%.

Upcoming dates

Tuesday 2nd – Wednesday 3rd July

Year 6 Cockermouth School transition days

Tuesday 2nd July

Years 3-6 Cumbria Sings event, St. Bees School

Year 1/2 Forest School (one week only)

Wednesday 3rd July

Whole school transition day

Thursday 4th July

Year 6 Workington Academy transition day

Friday 5th July

Year 5 English day, Workington Academy

Year 1/2 team, Kinder cricket festival

Tuesday 9th July

Year 5/6 Forest School trip

Year 1/2 Multi-Skills Festival

Full Governing Body meeting

DERWENT VALE

DAZZLING DASH!

Friday 12th July 2024 : 1:00 - 3:00 PM

We would love to invite all parents and carers to join our second annual 'Dazzling Dash', we will be running 2K in the school grounds & there will be stalls and games available afterwards. Pupils are advised to bring no more than £5 for the stalls.

Run 2K & get sponsors for your school!

We are excited to be holding our Dazzling Dash again this year. Children will be bringing home sponsor forms today and the event will raise money for school funds. Parents/carers will also be invited to take part for an entry fee of £3 and this can be paid on School Hub. Please add the name(s) of the person/people taking part. The event will be a run around the school grounds. Staff and helpers will be positioned around the route covering the runners with bright, colourful powder paint. Old white clothes are recommended to make the colours pop as well as sunglasses to protect eyes.

The children will be provided with a drink and treat on completion of 'The Dash' and we hope that lots of parents/carers and family members will be able to join us for a colourful afternoon of fun!

YEAR 5/6 FOREST SCHOOL



Derwent Vale



CAREERS DAY

Green Foodbank Day

A huge thank you to everyone who donated to Green Foodbank Day. Stuart and Timmy the Tuna from North Lakes Foodbank came into school to talk to us on Monday and your donations are very much appreciated.



Nursery/Reception

