# Derwent Vale Primary & Nursery School Newsletter 5th July 2024

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## **Star of the Week**

#### <u>Nursery & Reception</u>

Frankie – for a fantastic effort in Maths

Year 1/2

**Tyga** – for amazing story retelling in R.E

**Freddy** – for a great effort in R.E

Year 5/6

Year 3/4

Libby – for playing several different parts in play rehearsals and doing a brilliant job!

Highest Attendance this week: Year 5/6 96.6%

#### **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.

#### Years 3-6 Summer Show

There will be two performances of this year's summer show of 'Grease' on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> 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.



#### Year 5/6 Forest School trip

This Tuesday sees Derwent Vale visit Escape Education at our specialist site near Whitehaven! Your child will take part in 4hrs of activities exploring the forest deeper than ever before! Lunch in the woods, meeting creatures and flora, games and much more! It's going to be epic!

#### What to bring?

Please wear layers and bring spare clothing (a back pack is recommended). Sturdy footwear/trainers are perfect for this terrain. Wellies are fine but are not the comfiest footwear for long periods of time. All attendees are encouraged to wear long sleeves and bottoms - no shorts!

The woodland canopy and weather especially in May will likely mean we could be colder and potentially wetter than people expect. A decent jacket or coat and any waterproofs are a wise pack especially as we live in Cumbria. If the forecast is sunny or warm please still bring warm clothing.

#### Snacks

Please bring a refillable drinks bottle with you - we will have a supply of water on site to refill any empty bottles (we are trying our best to be sustainable!). Please can all attendees bring a snack. Simply put, food = fuel so please pack them supplies with that in mind. Packed lunch required!

Why not follow us on Instagram: escape\_education

I look forward to welcoming your child to Escape Education!

#### John Lee

# **Achieving Together**

### Whole School Attendance

88.7%

#### **Below target**

Our Local Authority target is 96%.

# **Upcoming dates**

#### Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July

Year 5/6 Forest School trip

Year 1/2 Multi-Skills Festival

Full Governing Body meeting

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July

1.30pm & 5.30pm Years 3-6 Summer Show

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July

1pm Dazzling Dash

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July

2pm Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July

Year 6 visit to Clarendon Grange

#### Friday 19th July

1.30pm School closes for summer holidays

#### Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September

School reopens after summer holidays

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September

Year 1/2, 3/4 Gymnastics

Year 3/4 Gymnastics after school club



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  $\pounds 3$  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!

