

Derwent Vale Primary & Nursery School

Newsletter

13th September 2024



★ Star of the Week ★

Nursery & Reception

Kyle – for great enthusiasm with his den building

Year 1/2

Elias – for settling in well to Year 1

Year 3/4

Rory – for writing some brilliant poetry

Year 5/6

Hope – for using her fantastic knowledge to answer questions

Highest Attendance this week:

Year 1/2 100%

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.

Nursery Applications

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

It has been a fantastic start to the new academic year at Derwent Vale. I have been extremely impressed by how well the children have settled into their new classes and in some cases their new school. We have already welcomed our friends from Escape Education back into school who are busy working with groups of children. Mrs Hampson is back in school delivering high-quality gymnastic sessions for children in Years 1 -4 and Mrs Tuffin has been in school today teaching drumming with Miss Johnstone's class.

As always, there are lots of fun and interesting events and activities planned for the rest of the Autumn Term. Remember to check our Newsletter and our Facebook page for future events and updates.

Finally, I would like to thank you for your continuing support in our drive for good school attendance. This plays a vital role in helping your child reach their full potential. I am happy to report that our whole school attendance is currently at almost 97%, which is above the Local Authority's target of 96%.

Thank you for your continued support

Mr Lucey



Achieving Together

Whole School Attendance

96.8%

Just above target

Our Local Authority target is 96%.

Fundraising

We are looking for parents, carers and family members to join our fundraising team even if you can only spare an hour now and again. There is a fundraising meeting on Wednesday 18th September at 8.45am and everyone is welcome. Please contact the school office for more information. Thank you.



Upcoming dates

Wednesday 18th September

8.45am Fundraising meeting

Reception to Year 6 Nasal Flu Immunisations

Thursday 19th September

Year 1/2, Year 3/4 Gymnastics

Year 3/4 Gymnastics After School Club

Monday 23rd – Friday 27th September

Year 3/4 Swimming every day

Wednesday 25th September

Year 5/6 REACT Science Show

Thursday 26th September

Year 1/2, Year 3/4 Gymnastics

Year 3/4 Gymnastics After School Club

Monday 30th September – Friday 4th October

Year 5/6 Swimming every day

Swimming

Year 3/4 will be going to daily swimming lessons between Monday 23rd and Friday 27th September.

Year 5/6 will be going swimming every day the following week, Monday 30th September – Friday 4th October.

Please could children bring their swimwear and a towel into school every day. They will be getting changed at the pool. Thank you.

