

Derwent Vale Primary & Nursery School

Newsletter

20th March 2026



★ Star of the Week ★

Nursery & Reception

Gracie – for a brilliant observational drawing of a daffodil

Year 1/2

Dakota – for a great effort in writing and science

Year 3/4

Shelby – for a fantastic description of the water cycle

Year 5/6

Freddy – for a wonderful work of art in the style of Frank Bowling

Highest Attendance this week:

Year 3/4 92.5%

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.

Nursery Applications

We are now accepting applications to our nursery for children who are due to start in April and September 2026. 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.

Parent Meetings

Parent meetings have started to take place and will continue next week. The online booking system is now closed but if you haven't booked an appointment already and would like to, please email the school office. Thank you.



Easter Egg/Bonnet Decorating Competition

There will be an egg/bonnet decorating competition for any children who would like to join in. It costs £1.50 to enter and the payment can be made on School Hub. Decorated eggs/bonnets should be brought into school by Thursday 26th March. Thank you.



Achieving Together

Whole School Attendance

92.0%

Below target

Our Local Authority target is 96%.

Year 3/4 Multi-Sports After School Club

There will be a multi-sports after school club for Year 3/4 starting on Tuesday 14th April, 3.15 – 4.15pm and running weekly until half term. If you would like a place for your child, please email admin@derwentvale.cumbria.sch.uk. Thank you.



Upcoming dates

Monday 23rd March

1-5pm Nursery/Reception Parent meetings

Tuesday 24th March

Nursery/Reception, Year 1/2 Yoga

Year 3/4 team – Football festival

3.30-5pm Parent meetings – all classes

Wednesday 25th March

1-5pm Year 3/4 Parent meetings

Thursday 26th March

Year 3/4 Rugby

1-5pm Year 5/6 Parent meetings

Friday 27th March

1.30pm School closes for Easter holidays

Monday 13th April

School re-opens after Easter holidays

Tuesday 14th April

Year 3/4, 5/6 Yoga

Year 3/4 Multi-sports after school club

Early finishing time – last day of term

School will close for the Easter holidays at the earlier time of 1.30pm on Friday 27th April.

