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# Mrs Parry's Newsletter



It has been a busy half-term, with end of Key Stage 1 assessments and of course a successful SATS week for our oldest children. I have been blown away by the level of maturity and calmness with which the children have approached these and they should be very proud of their efforts. We have a very full diary for the rest of the summer term with lots of fun events planned. Miss Kay, the newly appointed Headteacher, has been in school for a day this week and she will be in school regularly over the last half-term ensuring a smooth handover and transition. It was lovely for her to start to get to know our children and staff and to understand how things currently work at Furness Vale. She thoroughly enjoyed her day with us and is very excited to be taking the reins from September. She will be joining me on the playground at some point so that you can put a face to the name and say hello.

## School Council/TESCO Stronger Starts Project



The money from TESCO Stronger Starts has arrived and our school council are busy spending it! So far, they have had the planters fixed and planted a herb garden and have ordered a giant Connect 4 for the playground. In an assembly this week they asked the rest of the school to come to them with further ideas that, if approved, will be added to our playground over the coming months. Get your thinking caps on kids and let's make our playground even better.

**NEXT EVENTS**

**COLOUR RUN** £5 PER PERSON  
SATURDAY 13<sup>th</sup> JUNE - STARTS AT 10 AM

Little kids race ..... 10:30 AM  
Big Kids race ..... 11:00 AM  
Adults race ..... 11:30 AM

**SUMMER FAIR** FREE ENTRY  
SATURDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JULY - STARTS AT 12 PM

Live music, delicious food, drinks, stalls, games, and fun for all!

FURNESS VALE COMMUNITY FIELD  
Park Ave, Furness Vale  
SK23 7PT, High Peak

As a teaching staff we often attend the on-line Derbyshire Inclusion Support Services webinars. These are now open to parents and carers; the schedule can be viewed using the link below. The 'Strategies to Support Transition' webinar on 01/07/2026 may be of interest to some of you. <https://www.localoffer.derbyshire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/inclusion-support-advisory-service/isas-webinars/isas-webinars.aspx>

### Strategies to Support Transition

Date: Wednesday 1 July 2026, 3:45pm to 4:45pm  
Location: Online - Via Teams

Dame Rachel de Souza, the Children's Commissioner for England, has asked all Headteachers to share a link to **The Big Future survey**. She wants to hear from children of all ages, from every background, in every part of the country about the things they enjoy, the challenges they face, the changes they want to see in their communities, and what they think a good childhood should look like today. If you have chance over the half-term please consider completing this with your child.

<http://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture>



**A huge thank-you to our fabulous PTFA for funding the Y6 hoodies - We are very proud of all of our Y6's and the way in which they approached their SATS week. They really deserve to spend their last half-term with us wearing these!**



On a wet and windy day in April, six of our hardy Y5/Y6s took part in a Cyclo-Cross event with some other school from the local area. They arrived back at school covered in mud and in need of a hot bath but a fun day was had despite the weather. Our next Y5/Y6 events will be athletics and Bikeability in June.



### **🎻 Congratulations Corner 🎻**

We were treated to a fabulous violin recital in a Friday assembly recently by Isabelle in Y5. She has been having lessons during school time through the Derbyshire Music Partnership and played beautifully and confidently. Please get in touch if your child is interested in starting lessons.

## **Upcoming Events**

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - Last day of term

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June - INSET Day

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June - First day of term

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June - Class B's trip to Poole's Cavern and The Crescent

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June - 'Drumh' Drumming workshops for all classes - PTFA funded!

W/C Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June - Y1 Phonics Screening Check

W/C Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June - Y4 Multiplication Tables Check

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June - High Peak Kids Council

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June - Groups and Leavers photos

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June - Colour Run!

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June - Class C & D trip to see a Wallace and Gromit show

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June - Athletics for some Class A children

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June - No Technology Day!

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June - Sports Day (13:00 start)

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June - Y5 trip to see 'We Will Rock You'

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June - Bikeability

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July - Bikeability

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July - Class Swap Day

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July - Y6 Transition Day, New Mills School

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - Y6 Transition Day, New Mills School

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July - Water Safety Talks

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July - Chapel High School Y6 Induction Day

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July - Class A's production of 'Annie' 2:00 pm and 18:00 pm

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July - Y6 Leavers trip

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July - Summer Fair

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Y6 Leavers Assembly 9:15 am

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Last day of term

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July - INSET Day

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September - INSET Day

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September - First day of new school year