

Newsletter—Week 29

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Year 3 have had their first taste of our new history resources this week, each class spending an afternoon in the hall immersed in Roman history with Mr O'Donnell. They had a go at making Roman roads, bridges and catapults and everyone got the opportunity to hold a replica Roman shield and try on some of the body armour a Roman soldier would have worn.

Remember that school is closed on Monday 6th May 2024 for the May Day Bank Holiday.

With the warmer weather, it is nice to be able to allow the children onto the field at breaktimes, so this provides a timely reminder to make sure school jumpers and cardigans are named please, so that they are easily returned if they are left outside at the end of break. On a similar note, please also make sure your child brings a <u>named water bottle</u> with them each day to keep them hydrated: we are going through disposable cups at an alarming rate for children who are forgetting to bring water bottles to school!

Class Attendances—Week beginning 29th April 2024

Our attendance for this week is **95.2%**. Thank you for your support with promoting good attendance in school, it is much appreciated.

| Class 1 | 88.9% |
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| Class 2 | 96.3% |
| Class 3 | 96.8% |
| Class 4 | 96.5% |
| Class 5 | 96.3% |
| Class 6 | 95.2% |

| Class 7 | 100% < | 3 |
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| Class 8 | 92.6% | |
| Class 9 | 98.2% | |
| Class 10 | 95.8% | |
| Class 11 | 96.8% | |
| Class 12 | 90.9% | |

Please remember that I am still *unable* to authorise any term-time leave of absence requests this year and, in the majority of cases, these will incur fines. These requests should be made in advance and not retrospectively please.

Kind regards, Mrs / Hill

Term Dates Consultation

Derby City Council are consulting on the term dates for the academic years spanning 2025-26 and 2026-27. This revised consultation has arisen due to the feedback they received on a previous consultation where feedback identified that alternative term arrangements might impact positively on pupil attendance and achievement. Therefore,



they are now consulting on Option A and Option B as detailed in the survey. Please click <u>here</u> to view both options and submit your preferences. Please submit your response to each year using the survey by **Midnight, Sunday 23 June 2025**.

| 2023-24 DATES | | | |
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| Monday 6th May | All Day | May Day Bank Holiday—School Closed | |
| Wednesday 8th May | 9:30-11:30am | Coffee Morning—Transition to new schools/classes | |
| Monday 13th—Thursday 16th May | Mornings | Year 6 SATs Week | |
| Friday 17th—Sunday 19th May | All Weekend—times TBC | Year 6 PGL | |
| Friday 24th May | 3:30pm | End of Summer 1 Term—BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM | |
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| Monday 3rd June | All Day | INSET 5 | |
| Tuesday 4th June | 8:55am | Summer 2 Term begins—BACK TO SCHOOL | |
| Wednesday 5th June | 9:30-11:30am | Coffee Morning | |
| Wednesday 5th June | АМ | Class Photos | |
| Tuesday 18th June | All Day | Year 3 Adventure Farm Trip—details to follow | |
| Wednesday 19th June | All Day | Year 4 Yorkshire Wildlife Park Trip—details to follow | |
| Tuesday 25th June | 12:15pm | Picnic Day | |
| Wednesday 26th June | Afternoon | Year 4 Halle Orchestra Trip, Derby Arena | |
| Tuesday 2nd—Thursday 4th July | 3 days | City-wide Transition Days | |
| Friday 5th July | All Day | Year 5 Seaside Trip | |
| Tuesday 23rd July | 3:30pm | End of Summer 2 Term—BREAK UP FOR SUMMER | |

Dogs on School Site

Despite sending out reminders on the app, we are still seeing parents and carers bringing dogs onto the school site during drop offs and pick ups. Standing with dogs inside the gates is still on the school site and we would ask you to stop doing this please, however well-trained or calm your dog is. Please also ensure that you make other relatives/friends who collect children aware. Thank you for your understanding.



<u>Coffee Morning—May 8th</u>

Our next Coffee Morning on Wednesday 8th May will be led by Julie Fearn from Autism Derby and will be based around how to support your child with their transition to their next school or class in September. Please join us from 9am for coffee—session starts at 9:30am. Please click here to sign up.

<u>Breakfast</u>

This week we have provided breakfast to **30** children. Children can come to the hall when doors open to collect a breakfast bar if they wish.

School Dinners

Next week, we will be back to Week 3's menu. Please remember that school dinners cost £2.40 and MUST be paid for, ONLINE, IN ADVANCE. Week 3 Menu



breakfast

fuel for learning

