

# HERBERT STRUTT PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER



SPRING 2 TERM 2026

### SPRING TERM OVERVIEW

What a fantastic Spring term we've had! From our Easter Bonnet Parade and Mock SATs week to a series of exciting geography field trips, Year 6 residential trip, parent lunches, the always-popular human fruit machine, and our delicious bake sale, it has certainly been a busy and vibrant few months. We've also enjoyed parents' evenings, phonics sessions for families, Red Nose Day celebrations, a fresh update to our school website, and so much more.

Thank you to all of our families for your ongoing support—your involvement helps make the children's time in school such a success.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

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MARCH

27

Last day of Spring 2

APRIL

13

First day of Summer Term

MAY

3

Bank holiday - school closed

### REMINDERS

Please can we kindly ask everyone to be mindful when parking on the surrounding residential roads. Residents have shared their frustrations about not being able to get out of their driveways, and school coaches and larger vehicles have also struggled to access the roads due to obstructive parking. It is essential that enough space is left for all vehicles to pass through safely, including emergency vehicles such as fire trucks. Thank you for your cooperation.

### SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

- Mon - Orchestra Club
- Tues - Yr 3-6 - Striking & fielding
- Wed - Golden Mile
- Thurs - Year 6 Booster Group
- Thurs - Rec - Yr2 - Athletics

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## World Book Day

Our school had an incredible World Book Day, filled with excitement and imagination. We enjoyed seeing a fantastic range of characters—from Harry Potter to The Cat in the Hat—brought to life by the children. A huge thank-you to our families for supporting the day with such creative costumes and wonderful ideas, helping the children share their love of reading in school. Each class produced an impressive display of their work, now showcased beautifully in the hall. We hope you enjoyed viewing them during Parents' Evening.

## Friends PTA

Our PTA group 'Friends' would like to share information to all families using a Whats app group for our school community.

If you would like to be a part of the Whats app group please email the following email address:

[friendsofhsp@yahoo.com](mailto:friendsofhsp@yahoo.com)

## YEAR 6 TRIP TO WHITEHALL

Our Year 6 children had a fantastic time on their residential trip to Whitehall in Buxton. During their stay, they challenged themselves with a range of exciting outdoor activities such as rock climbing, team-building challenges, stream scrambling and high-ropes adventures. The children represented our school beautifully—their behaviour was impeccable throughout, and the Whitehall staff and school staff were full of praise for their attitude, teamwork and enthusiasm.

We are incredibly proud of how they supported one another and embraced every opportunity.



## OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY UPDATES

We are working closely with our Community Police Officers and PCSOs to provide well-rounded support for both our school and the wider community. As part of this partnership, Luke Wren and Keeley Hancock will be visiting school to work with the children. Their sessions will help pupils understand how to keep themselves safe in the community, learn about legal responsibilities, and strengthen links between school and the local police force.

If you see them out and about in the community, please do say hello—they are always happy to chat and answer any questions you may have.



Our Local MP, Jonathan Davies, has asked parents if they would like to take part in a local consultation to find out how Mid Derbyshire residents feel about social media usage for under 16-year-olds. If you would like to share your views, follow the link below:

[Smartphone Free Childhood and Social Media for Under 16s Survey - Jonathan Davies MP - Jonathan Davies MP](#)

### **Food Bank in the local area from Kelly Haslam:**

A foodbank is available should any families need our support.

We are here all year, not just at Christmas. Should you want to contact us at foodbank the number you need is 07939594404 . Food bank is open Tuesdays from 1-4 and Fridays from 11-2. The phone line is open at those times and Monday's between 11-1 and Wednesday's at the same time.

Please call rather than email for food parcel requests, as this is much simpler.



Date	Event
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Start of the Summer Term
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 4 starts swimming lessons
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 3/4 football at Belper Leisure Centre 4-6pm
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Well-being Warriors training starts
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Year 2 and Year 6 Fire Safety workshop
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Year 6 group and leavers photos
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	KS1 Cross Country at Shipley Park – 3-4pm
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	KS2 Cross Country at Eyes Meadow – 4-5:30pm
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	BANK HOLIDAY – school closed
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 Parent lunches at 11:45
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	KS1 football at Eyes Meadow – 4-6pm
Week beginning Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Year 6 SATs week</b> Breakfast is provided each day from 8:15
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 trip to the Space Centre  Open classrooms – please come and visit your child’s classroom and view their work and environment from 3:15-3:45

Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 3/4 football (round 2) at Belper – 4-6pm
Week Beginning Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	HALF TERM
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	School reopens Year 4 Multiplication Check
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Non uniform day – bring a bottle for school fair – more information to follow
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	New reception parents welcome meeting 9am
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 and 4 trip to Cresswell Craggs
Week Beginning 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check  Year 1 – 5 assessment <a href="#">week</a>
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception new starters stay and play 3:15-3:45
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Summer Fair after school – more information to follow
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Compass Changing Lives year 6 transition workshop
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception new starters stay and play 3:15-3:45
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	INSET DAY
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Parent Lunches
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 transition day to Belper Whole school – Big Move Up New reception starters 9:30-11:30
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 transition day to Belper
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Funky hair day
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception new starters  Disco – more information to follow from Friends PTA
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Tough Runner Day

Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Show
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Chevin walk  Reports sent to parents
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 trip to Parliament
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers assembly 9:30  Last day of the Summer Term

