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Special Events and Dates:

Thursday 26th June—

- New Reception starters—8.55am-11.55am

Friday 27th June—

- **River Day** in preparation for Derwent Pulse

Monday 30 June—

- Y6 to Lady Manners for Science Day

Tuesday 1st July -

- Derwent Pulse Art Project—Day 1

Wednesday 2nd July—

- Y6 to Lady Manners for Numeracy Day
- Derwent Pulse Art Project—Day 2
- PTA meeting—7.30pm—Sir William Hotel

Thursday 3rd July—

- Derwent Pulse Art Project—Day 3

Friday 4th July -

- New Reception Starters—11.55 -3.15pm

Monday 7th July—

- Y6 to Lady Manners All Day

Tuesday 8th July—

- KS2 to EIS for Sports Day—10.30-2.30pm

Wednesday 9th July—

- Last language lessons with Dominique till next year

Thursday 10th July—

- New Reception Starters—All Day
- Y6 to HVC - All Day
- School Transition Day
- Last language lessons with Joanna till next year
- PTA Picnic 3.30-7.00pm—all welcome

Friday 11th July—

- Year 1 and 2 to HVC for Infant Sports Day—am

Monday 14th July—

- KS2 Production—pm and eve—2pm (dress rehearsal) and 7pm



Grindleford Primary School Newsletter

26th June 2014

Summer Term 6



EXCITING TIMES AHEAD!

NUMBER ON ROLL

As you know from the last newsletter just a couple of weeks ago, our school numbers are going up and up! We have just had the go ahead from the County Council to admit 12 Reception starters for September, which will mean we will start September with 72 children on roll! Now we are officially full!

THE DERWENT PULSE PROJECT

You may or may not have heard of the Derwent Pulse Project that will be happening during the lunar month of October 2014. If you missed it on the bbc news, check out this link: www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-derbyshire-27746522 or go to www.derwentpulse.org

The project is made up of three parts and we have been invited to take part in two of them!

So...what is it?

The Derwent Pulse is a Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage Site commission for the residents and visitors to Derbyshire in 2014. It is based on the idea of one thousand lights, being 'shepherded' by riverside communities, flowing the length of the Derwent from its source on Bleaklow to its mouth at the Trent. The lights will symbolise the ancient pulse of the river alongside the factories, the settlements and the past, present and future histories of Derbyshire, its river and its people.

The three parts of the project are called the Derwent Chart, Charting the Future

and Shepherding the Lights.

The Derwent Chart will be a new multimedia chart of the Derwent based on eighteenth century parish and estate plans and nineteenth and twentieth century Ordnance Survey maps.

We will be helping with the Charting the Future and Shepherding the Lights part of the project.

The first part involves creating a massive piece of art work which will be photographed and shrunk down to become part of the layers of the Derwent Chart. In order to do this school will be being visited by the artist, Judy Hawdon, who will complete three full days of art work with our three classes next week.

Judy will also be visiting us **tomorrow** to take the children down to the river to generate words, pictures sounds, etc that the river evokes. We shall be playing in the river a lot, therefore the children will need old clothes on and shoes that you don't mind getting wet, e.g. wellies. A change of clothes may also be a good idea!

Then on October the 14th 2014, the children will take part in walking alongside the thousand lights floating in the water. The children will also have lights which talk to the ones in the river, changing colour as they do and 'pulsing' at the same beat.

This sounds like a really exciting project, which the children should really enjoy.

NATIONAL MUD KITCHEN DAY

National mud kitchen day is this Sunday! To celebrate we are going to have our school mud kitchen open **tomorrow**. As the children should all be in old clothes,

**Special Events and Dates:-***Continued:***Tuesday 15th July—**

- KS2 Production—eve—7pm

Friday 18th July—

- Y6 Leaver's Meal—7pm

Monday 21st July—

- Whole School Trip Out

Tuesday 22nd July—

- Leaver's Assembly—9.15am

- Sports Day—pm—Pavilion

Wednesday 23rd July—

- INSET DAY
- FINISH for Summer Holidays

Dates for 2014/2015**Autumn 1****Friday 5th September—INSET**

Monday 8th September—School opens

Friday 24th October - INSET—School closes**Autumn 2**

Monday 3rd November—School opens

Friday 19th December—School closes

Spring 3**Monday 5th January—INSET**

Tuesday 6th January—School opens

Friday 6th February—school closes

Spring 4

Monday 16th February—School opens

Friday 27th March—School closes

Summer 5

Monday 13th April—School opens

Monday 4th May—Bank Holiday

Friday 22nd May—School closes

Summer 6

Monday 1st June—School opens

Friday 24th July—School closes

NATIONAL MUD KITCHEN DAY—Continued

then they should be able to make mud pies to their heart's content without getting worried about getting messy!



Our plan after tomorrow is to have the mud kitchen open on the days that we can go in the garden. The children will be able to use it if they have a kit of old clothes in school that they can change in and out of.

Carnival Update

Thank you so much to everyone who provided us with donations for our tombola stall at the Carnival. We managed to raise a fabulous £247 for school fund.

All the children were, as always, incredibly well behaved at the Carnival Disco and were a pleasure to spend Friday evening with!

I hope you all managed to watch the Tai Chi display at the Carnival. If you missed it, you missed a real treat. The children were absolutely brilliant and so professional in their display. I was very proud of them all, as was Master and Mrs Calow who teach them every week. They openly tell the children they are the best school they work

KS1 Free School Dinners

Thank you to everyone who has returned their free school meals forms—if you have forgotten it is not too late! Just pop it in to the office for Mrs Callis. The school meals will all be cooked on site, as they are at present, by Emma. Any dietary issues can be catered for, just fill in the separate form alongside the acceptance form.

TODDLER GROUP

As you may already know, Mrs Harby has been running a very successful Toddler Group in the school hall on a Thursday afternoon from 1.30ish to 3.10ish. Everyone who comes along seems to have a really good time (adults and children!) and the activities are changing all the time, from playing with toys, reading and sharing books to playdough and painting. Sadly, Mrs Harby is not going to be able to run the club from September due to work commitments, so if you fancy picking up the reigns we would be very grateful. It would be such a shame if the group had to end. If you would like to know more about what the role entails please feel free to talk to Mrs Harby or pop into school.