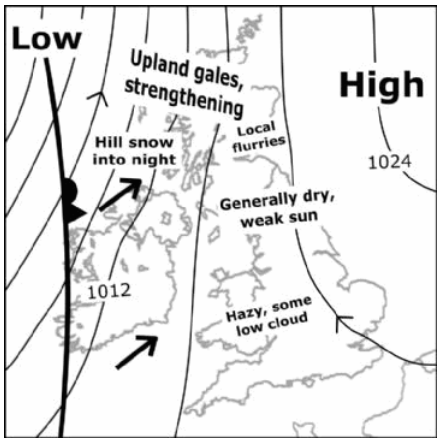
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

The entire Yorkshire Dales National Park and North Pennines AONB, including the Three Peaks and Cross Fell, plus Howgills, also south to Forest of Bowland.

Evening with MWIS - Kendal - Thursday 19th November 2026
Classroom weather workshop supporting Kendal Mountain Search and Rescue Team

General Summary for Thursday, 26 November, 2026



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 26 November, 2026

Much mountain terrain frozen, snow cover most substantial southern Highlands, but beware icy surfaces widely on hills. Staying sub-zero on tops all day, significant wind chill in strong to increasingly gale-force southerly winds. Largely dry daytime, then snow moves onto western hills into the night.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Breezy, increasingly windy; hazy, a little sun, some cloud banks.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 26 November, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southeasterly 25 to 40mph, strengthening during day, 50mph by dusk onward at least in gusts in north, later in day more sustained; 60mph into night.
Effect of wind on you?	**Strenuous walking becoming increasingly challenging on high terrain, powerful downslope gusts. Deteriorating into evening. Significant wind chill.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Largely dry day** Chance of an odd light snow flurry northeast Pennines during the day.
Cloud on the hills?	**Covering tops for periods** Varying cloud banks around higher slopes, most persistent toward south of the region, but may drift across higher slopes elsewhere at times.
Chance of cloud free summits?	**50% east and south, 70% west.**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine tending to weak as a veil of high cloud moves in from the west. Visibility very good, some low haze possible toward the south.
How Cold? (at 700m)	-1C. Feeling like -10C to later nearer -15C directly in the wind on high tops.
And in the valleys	Frost in valleys from dawn, lasting all day out of sunlight. Max 4C by early afternoon.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Friday 27 November	Saturday 28 November
How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly 35 to 50mph, risk 60mph high tops in the morning, may ease to 20mph or late in the daytime.	Southerly, speeds varying - high uncertainty - most likely 20 to 30mph, but risk of increasing to 45mph for periods.
Effect of wind on you?	**Risk of difficult conditions and significant wind chill in the morning at least, tending to improve gradually.**	**Expect considerable wind chill, risk of strenuous walking and may become more challenging on exposed high terrain.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Mix of snow, freezing rain, then rain** Possibly dry for at dawn mainly in east, but snow flurries develop from west to become persistent; turning to sleet or freezing rain on lower slopes, later mostly rain.	**Risk frequent or persistent rain** Some uncertainty, but a risk of rain falling much of the day, possibly steadier or heavier falls setting in from the south; potentially still falling as snow on higher slopes, perhaps freezing rain in places.
Cloud on the hills?	**Fairly extensive** Shrouding high terrain widely, from some lower elevations upward much of day western dales, higher breaks northeast.	**Likely persistent across fells** Extensive sheet of cloud shrouding the fells, in places to some lower elevations on south-facing slopes; some breaks between cloud banks mainly toward the north.
Chance of cloud free summits?	**20%**	**10%**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull. Poor visibility widely, or whiteout over hills in snow and cloud.	Overcast, dull and misty, hazy at best most lower terrain, locally some brighter moments northernmost Pennine valleys.
How Cold? (at 700m)	0 or -1C, rising slowly to +2C. Risk of wind chill feeling like -15C at least in the morning.	1 to 3C, more likely rising. Risk of wind chill feeling like -10C if speeds rise.
And in the valleys	1C from dawn, rising to 3 or 4C.	Little change night into day around 3 or 4C, small variation with height.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 27 November, 2026

Snowfall most substantial over southern mountains in the Highlands during the days ahead. Then by Saturday, a risk of heavy rain for England & Wales as temperatures rise here, and even in Scotland a rise of the freezing level, though likely lowering slightly again by Sunday. Gale-force southerly winds will be common over many mountains through the weekend and into early next week, but intermittent lulls will occur. By Monday to Wednesday, potentially milder air and risk of a period of sustained heavy rain, but some uncertainty about local details - early December may then vary markedly, signs of a drier window for a time, whilst colder conditions could also soon return.

Forecast issued at 16:10 on Wednesday, 25 November, 2026

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