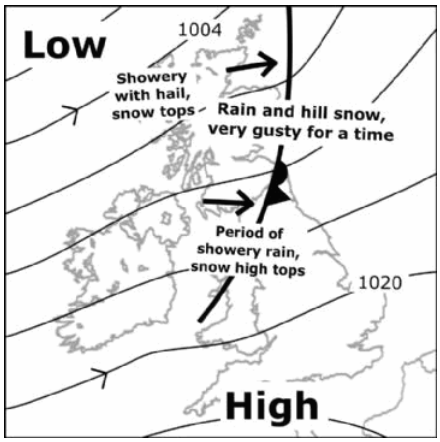
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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 Sunday, 29 November, 2026



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 29 November, 2026

Southwesterly winds often gale-force on higher mountains with significant chill factor; more severe gusts for a time. A band of showery rain passes eastwards in the morning, snow on higher tops; showers follow into western areas, some hail mixed in. Snow cover on many Scottish mountains.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Windy, gales high fells; showery.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 29 November, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly, speeds varying during day, 30mph to often 40mph higher tops, particularly N Pennines, but squally gusts 50mph for a few hours by mid morning; speeds rising again into night.
Effect of wind on you?	**Frequent buffeting over high terrain, more challenging for a time, then moderating a little in afternoon. Considerable wind chill.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Bursts of rain develop from west** Patchy rain at first, then a showery band of rain passes eastward late morning to middle of day, heavy for an hour or so, with wet snow on higher slopes, possible hail. Very wet underfoot after previous rain, streams in spate.
Cloud on the hills?	**Sometimes covering tops** Patchy cloud banks drifting over higher slopes most often north and west, but filling in for a time in rain widely on tops.
Chance of cloud free summits?	**50%**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun mostly eastern dales early in the day. Visibility very good, but then poor in rain.
How Cold? (at 700m)	3 or 4C. Feeling like -7 to -10C in stronger wind.
And in the valleys	3C rising to 7C afternoon.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Monday 30 November	Tuesday 1 December
How windy? (On the summits) **Effect of wind on you?**	Southwesterly 50 to 70mph, tending to increase during the day; marked rise of speed with height, gusty lower down. **Increasingly severe conditions on high terrain; challenging walking in places on lower hills with significant wind chill.**	Southwesterly 50 to 70mph possibly all day; marked increase of speed with height, powerful gusts around high passes. **Severe conditions potentially all daylight over higher fells, challenging walking and sudden gusts on some lower slopes.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Rain developing, heavier west** Rain likely to start light and patchy, mainly in western dales, whilst further east and north may start dry. Increasingly persistent rain likely develops, becoming heavier in western areas up to Tebay.	**Risk of constant rain, heavy west** Rain likely to continue from overnight into the daytime, heavier persistent falls at times over western Yorks Dales to Tebay; may only fade by evening into night. Very wet underfoot, streams in spate.
Cloud on the hills? **Chance of cloud free summits?**	**Increasingly extensive** Varied cloud banks in the morning, mostly higher and western areas. Lowering extensively over the fells above 600m with time, or lower western Yorks Dales. **20%**	**Extensive** Blanket cloud across most fells, from lower elevations up western Dales. Occasional breaks may form northeasternmost hills. **Below 10%**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and becoming murky in west. Hazy at best, visibility becoming generally poor due to rain.	Overcast and dull, poor visibility west, some brighter moments east/northeast.
How Cold? (at 700m) **And in the valleys**	Rising from before dawn up to 6C, then little change all day. Feeling like -7C in the wind. 8C from dawn, rising to 11C.	8C, to locally 10C toward east, then lowering quickly by evening into night. Wind chill feeling near -5C. Very mild, above 10C from dawn, up to 12 to 14C, locally some warmer spots east of the North Pennines; cooling into evening.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 30 November, 2026

A near-total thaw of snow cover early in the new week as southwesterly winds bring much milder air, well above freezing to tops Monday-Tuesday; severe gales widely on the mountains, storm-force higher terrain, accompanied by incessant heavy rain reaching all western mountains of Britain - expect flooding and some routes to be impassable.
Dropping back sub-zero on Scottish tops by Tuesday into Wednesday, with a showery mix of rain, snow and hail. High pressure then builds later in the week - drier conditions for a time, but a mixed west-southwesterly may persist or soon return for Scotland; temperatures varying.

Forecast issued at 7:31 on Sunday, 29 November, 2026

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