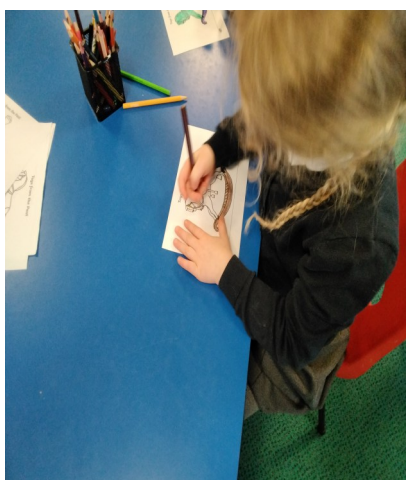




Reception Spring Term 1 2026 Newsletter

Our second half of the Autumn term has definitely been very busy with lots going on. Our learning has taken us on a journey comparing the past to the present in multiple contexts, we've build an even bigger bank of phonic sounds to help us with our early reading and writing. Then there were all of our festive elements starting with our Nativity performance and continued into our Christmas arts and crafts as well as exploring the traditional nativity story itself. We have also been busy out and about enjoying visiting our village church; St Wilfrids. Here are a few pictures of us in action across the half term:



Curriculum- What will the children be learning this term?

Below is a brief overview of what we will be learning this term. Our Topic is all about Environments and Habitats. We have lots of interesting and exciting activities planned for the children. We will continue to send home phonic cards as they are taught, with reading books and library books continuing to be swapped on a Friday.

Week	Topic	Phonics	Maths	Literacy	Other
1 5.1.26	Artic/Antarctic— Why don't penguins get cold?	ai ee igh oa	Composing, adding and subtracting to 5	Report Six Dinner Sid	INSET Day—5.1.26 Children return to school-6.1.26
2 12.1.26	Forest/ woodlands— If you go into the woods today can you survive?	oo oo ar or	Composing, adding and subtracting to 5	Report Six Dinner Sid	
3 19.1.26	Jungle—What makes the rumble in the jungle?	ur ow oi ear	Mass and Capacity	Rhyme Rumble in the Jungle	
4 26.1.26	Safari—What do your binoculars spy?	air er words with double letters: dd mm tt bb rr gg pp ff	Composing, adding and subtracting to 8	Rhyme Rumble in the jungle	
5 2.2.26	Under the sea— What will you see?	longer words	Doubling, Pairs Odd & Even	Dialogue Handa's Surprise	
6 9.2.26	Farm—Where does our food come from?	Assess and Review	Length and Height	Dialogue Handa's Surprise	Parents Evening- 9.2.26 + 12.2.26 Children break up— 13.2.26

A request from Mrs Rowles for Junk Modelling

Please could we have any of the following saved from Christmas for our art session on the first week back in the Spring Term:

- Small Boxes
- Ribbon/ Twine
- Sparkly used wrapping paper
- Colourful plastic bottle / jar tops
- Used card fronts (especially sparkly ones)

Thank you if you can help with this.



Communication

Communication can be made via the department email: eyfs@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk

Some one will also always be on the door at the beginning and end of the day.

The newsletter will be on the website under year groups—Reception

Important Dates

Start of term— Monday 5th January

INSET Day— Monday 5th January

Children Return— Tuesday 6th January

Parents Evening—9th and 12th February

End of Term—Friday 13th February

Finally, a thank you!

Thank you to everybody who contributed towards our Christmas gifts. They were a lovely surprise to receive and definitely put a smile on all of our faces. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year!