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Dear Parents and Carers,

Due to the success of the Geography challenge over the last summer holidays, I'm excited to announce that we will be paticipating in another challenge to help continue raising the profile of Geography at Scargill.

For this year's challenge, we will be taking part in Royal Geograpphical Socieites' (RGS) Young Geographer of the Year competition. The competition has been running for over 20 years and this years theme is: **A blueprint for the future**. Children are required to create their own blueprint for the future by creating innovative ideas to address problems in areas such as food production and supply, energy and sustainability, water security, resources, population growth, economic crisis, transport, travel, urbanisation, risk management, trade, environmental management, biodiversity and more. Your ideas and recommendations should be forward-thinking, taking into consideration the depth of the problems and the reasons behind them, as well as what can be done to mitigate them.

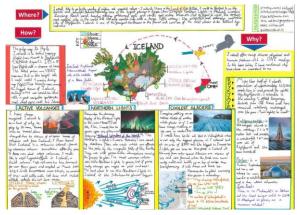
Your blueprint must be an **A3 size** poster entry and can be either made by hand or electronically. You should provide a plan for at least one geographical issue that was mentioned above, using annotated images, maps or diagrams. It is important to mention that all entries must address this years theme and meet the following criteria:

- A well-annotated and informative geographical overview which demonstrates understanding of the issues addressed and shows innovation and connected thinking.
- Good use of images, maps, data and other sources of information.
- Excellent attention to spelling, punctuation and grammar.
- Use of accurate geographical terminology.
- Original and independently produced class sets of identical entries or entries which have copied information from other sources, such as the internet, will not be accepted.
- If produced electronically, please use a minimum font size of point 10. Entries must be written in English.

Entries for the competition should be handed into school and the deadline is **Monday 25**<sup>th</sup> **September 2023** as this allows us to run an in-house competition to determine the top 10 entries that will be sent into the national competition.

Here are some Key Stage 2 examples from previous winners to give you some inspiration:





For more information, please find the competition's guidelines on our school website or visit the Royal Geographical Socities website on:

https://www.rgs.org/schools/competitions/young-geographer-of-the-year/

Yours Sincerely,

Mr Ord Geography Coordinator