





Year 1 Spring 2 2025 Newsletter

What has happened this term?

Another fantastic term with the Brilliant Badgers! I am so proud of all their efforts and achievements this term. They have worked incredibly hard to develop and deepen their knowledge across the curriculum as well as developing their skills working as part of a team, showing resilience and reaching to achieve their personal targets.

In art and design children have created a range of 3D paper sculptures, which I hope you have enjoyed receiving as the children loved using their new skills to create art work inspired by a range of artists. Their confidence in trying new techniques led all children to successfully achieve their own inspiring sculptures.











In maths children have measured the length, height, mass and capacity, using a range of mathematical vocabulary to compare the different objects. One of their favourite maths lessons included the measuring of their shoes! So much energy and excitement when making the maths hands on.











In religions and worldviews children have thought about the Easter story, considering why it is often thought of as both a happy and sad times for many Christians. Colours have been a big part of our work this term, not only when thinking about Easter, using colours to emulate the feelings, but also when writing new poems in English inspired by a combination of 'Colour Monsters' by Anna Llenas and 'What is Pink?' By Christina Rossetti.

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Here are just a few photos taken from the term, there are far more photos which can be found at the bottom of the Year 1/2 section of the school website:

https://www.scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk/web/year_1_and_2_information/616157



Our pot of gold is filling with children's names who have achieved their read- a rainbow challenge! Seeing the children feeling so proud of themselves is beautiful to see, especially when their peers are also pleased for them and continue to be inspired to read/ listen to an adult read at home. If your child is working through the rainbow then please keep supporting them by reminding them to colour in a segment of the caterpillar bookmark and record in their reading record.

Curriculum- What will the children be learning this term?



Maths Multiplication and division, numbers to 100 along with position and direction

English- The Dark by Lemony Snicket, where children will create their own suspense story. They will also recite/perform a poem/nursery rhyme of their own- which will be linked to their homework.



Science - Seasonal Changes; finding out about autumn, winter, spring and summer









Computing- Technology outside of school- this will be linked to homework tasks.

History- Local **History-** Significant historical places and people. We will be finding out more about St Wilfrid's Church.



Design and Technology- **Making Models and Joining** – Playgrounds See further details within this newsletter for some exciting news!



PE- Outdoor- Net and wall games Indoor- Gymnastics PE is usually taught on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Earrings MUST be removed for safety reasons. If children come to school with them already removed this is even more helpful to your child. Tape is quite painful to remove.

Please ensure every item of clothing, including plimsols and trainers are labelled with your child's name. For a reminder of what is needed can be found here: https://www.scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk/web/uniform/523913

Religion & Worldviews- Who do Christians say made the world? CREATION



Power and Identity- Developing an identity - Distinguishing between fantasy and reality - Exploring power with responsibility

PSHE- Relationships; Belonging to a family, being a good friend to self, celebrating special relationships and physical contact preferences.

Music- Exploring pitch, with a superhero theme.

Club Information

This will be sent out via parent pay, so please keep a look out.



NUT/ ALLERGIES

We have children in school who could have an anaphylactic reaction if exposed to nuts or nut traces. Please only send your children to school with packed lunches that do not contain nuts or products containing nut traces. This includes Nutella and other chocolate spreads/products that contain nut traces or MAY contain nut traces.

Thank you!

Important Dates

22.4.25 First day of summer term

22.4.25 World Earth Day

25.4.25 Wollaton Hall trip Y1&2

5.5.25 Bank holiday- school closed

15.5.25 Parents invited to Badger class

20.5.25 KS1 Changing Lives workshop

23.5.25 Last day of term

2.6.25 First day of final term

9.6.25 Year 1 Phonics Screening Check week

25.6.25 KS1 sports day (9:15am- 10:30am)

21.7.25 Open evening for parents 3.25pm-5pm

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Paper homework will be sent home: 24.4.25, 9.5.25 and 23.5.25

Online homework (My Maths and Purple Mash) will be available from: 2.5.25, 16.5.25

Phonics and spelling information will be sent home each Friday.

Wollaton Hall Trip

On Friday 25th April KS1 will be off to Wollaton Hall. Children should arrive in school as normal as we will be leaving at 9:15am. We are hoping for lovely warm sunny day, however we will be keeping a close eye on the weather. Please remember to send your child in with appropriate clothing, this includes a top with the school logo on. Trainers/ sensible shoes are essential as the children will spend time outside in the playground area. Sun-cream must be applied before school. Children need to bring their lunch in a backpack as they will be carrying their lunch around with them. No money is needed as we will not be visiting the shop. We will be back before the end of the school day, so home time will be at the usual time.

We will tweet photos, however please be aware that these photos are more likely to be shared once we are back at school, so please do not worry if there are not many posted in during the day.







Well done to all the certificate winners for working hard on Nessy- it is great to see the children making progress with their phonics and spelling in particular. Don't forget children can access Nessy at home, it is recommended 15 minutes should be long enough to play a game.

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Year 1 have a daily phonics lesson, and as we move through the summer term these lessons will include some 'alien words', for example 'ot', 'elt', 'blang'. This is to help prepare children for the national screening check in June.

The phonics screening check is designed to confirm whether children have learnt phonic decoding to an appropriate standard. It will identify children who need extra help to improve their decoding skills. The check consists of 20 real words and 20 pseudo-words (alien words) that pupils read aloud to me. I will work with each child, in a quiet room. The children are prepared for this as they have taken part in practise screening checks throughout the year.

If you would like further information please visit

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/phonics-screening-check-information-for-

parents

The results will be shared with you within your child's end of year school report.

Invite to Badger Class

As you will have seen in the diary dates, parents are invited into Badger class on Thursday 15th May 2:30- 3:15pm to support the children in creating their model playgrounds in design and technology. Due to space we can only offer one parent per child.











Earlier in the year Changing Lives supported KS1 with some sleep workshops and I am pleased to say that they will be visiting us again on Tuesday 20th May, this time focusing on worries.

If you would like to find out more about how Changing Lives can support children and families then take a look

https://www.compass-uk.org/services/compass-changing-lives/

A Plea...

We have noticed an increase in the number of items of clothing being left in the classroom-unfortunately the children do no recognise them and they do not have name labels inside. Over the Easter break it would be a perfect time to check each item of clothing (including PE kit) and ensure the name labels are clearly visable.



Some Reminders

Some children have started to come into school with rucksacks- our school uniform policy states only book bags and PE kit bags are allowed in school.

There has also been an increase in a number of children coming into school with juice in their water bottle. Water only should be in the water bottles within the classroom. Juice is only permitted if there is a medical reason, with a note from a doctor. As we move towards the warmer months children will be encouraged to drink more water, therefore it is imporant that they bring their water bottle to school daily.



Donations

From time to time we have children in school who require a change of clothing (for example following a toilet accident) and our spare clothing stock is rather depleated. If you have any pants, socks, tights, trousers, t-shirts or dresses which your child has out grown, please could you consider donating these items so we can ensure that any child needing a change has clothes to change into.

Thank you for your help with this.





Have a wonderful couple of weeks- see you on Tuesday 22nd April.

'Let all that you do, be done in love'

1 Corinthians 16:14



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