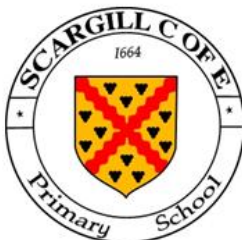


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Newsletter – September 2026
Head of School – Mrs S Hallsworth



Living Our Values Everyday



WELCOME
Back To
SCHOOL

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Welcome back. What a wonderful start to term we are having. A warm welcome to any new families that have joined our school. It has been wonderful to see great relationships developing as the children settle into their new classes.

Our School Rules

Follow instructions with thought and care.

Care for everyone and everything.

Show good manners at all times.

We expect all children to behave well at our school. Please can parents help their child to learn these rules and understand their importance in school.



As many of you are aware, we use Class Dojo. This means children earn Dojo points as a reward and their eggs hatch into little monsters and they continue to earn points! You will be able to see the points that your child is earning, each week, via the Class Dojo App.

For new children to school, your child's teacher will be sending home a letter which explains how you can connect to Class Dojo. This will involve giving you a unique code and you can set up your account. This will enable you to receive notifications (if you want to) about the number of points your child has received from their teacher. For parents who connected last year, you should have noticed and automatic move to your child's new class.

As I'm sure you will agree, teachers need to spend their time teaching your children during the school day so the Dojo App is not to be used for communication with your child's teacher. You can

contact any school staff that you need to as indicated in the chart below. Please appreciate that staff will only respond to emails when they are not directly teaching and only during their working hours.

Below are some Parent Account FAQ from Dojo. Please note that the Dojo App is free and you will not require any additional subscriptions for use with our school.

How far back in time can parents see feedback points? Parents can see the last two weeks of their child's feedback points. Parents also have the option of subscribing to ClassDojo Plus which allows them to see their child(ren)'s all-time point history. They can set goals and create customized at home skills which are separate from their school points. Home points and skills and are not visible to their classroom teacher(s).

When do parents get notified by ClassDojo? ClassDojo notifies parents if their child(ren) received points during the week, but the parent hasn't logged in recently, they will get a reminder to login and view their child(ren)'s feedback at the end of the week.

Helpful resources - ClassDojo Privacy Centre Visit www.classdojo.com/PrivacyCenter to see how ClassDojo protects its entire community of teachers, parents, and students.

For every 50 dojo points, children can choose from:

- Dip in the class prize box
- Come to school in non-uniform for a day
- Go first into lunch Mon-Thurs for a week (For you and a friend)
- Choose the Thrive task for the week
- Get 10 dojo points
- Library time at lunchtime (for you and a friend)



Scargill Star

On Fridays, we have a special celebration worship. Each class teacher as well as other members of our school community award Scargill Star certificates in recognition of learning and behaviour.

Starfish Values



In recognition of children demonstrating our STARFISH values children collect small (diddi-dot) stickers on a special chart in their classroom.

5 diddi dots on 3 values= bronze award certificate and 1 golden ticket.

5 diddi dots on 6 values= silver award certificate and 2 golden tickets.

5 diddi dots on all 8 values= gold award certificate and 3 golden tickets.

When each certificate is achieved children will receive this along with their golden tickets in our Celebration Worship on a Friday. Golden tickets will be placed into the Golden box for a chance to win a mystery prize at the end of the school year.

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School Ready!

We are very pleased with how smart our children look. Thank you for ensuring that your child has the correct uniform. We have not changed our uniform policy for a number of years but we have noticed some children wearing fleeces instead of a navy cardigan/jumper/sweatshirt. Fleeces are great for playtimes and for outdoor PE. If your child is wanting another layer on top of their polo shirt then a navy cardigan/jumper/sweatshirt is required. Thank you.

Items	Optional or required	Branding	How to acquire	
Regular school uniform				
Navy blue cardigan / jumper / sweatshirt	Required	optional	Branded sweatshirt and cardigan available from school supplier or second-hand from PTA. Plain sweatshirt or cardigan can be bought from regular retailers.	
- White polo shirt - Grey skirt - Grey pinafore dress - Blue and white summer dress/ playsuit - Grey trousers - Grey tailored shorts. - White/grey/black socks or tights	Required	optional		
Black shoes	Required	Not available		
Baseball cap or hat	Optional	Optional		
PE kit				
Indoor Lessons - Plain Navy Shorts, - Plain white T-shirts - Black pumps	Required	Optional	From regular clothing retailers	
Outdoor Lessons - As above, but with long sleeved Navy sweatshirt or tracksuit for when the weather is cold. - Trainers may be worn.				
Swimming - Children require either a one-piece swimming costume/swimming trunks. - Swimming cap - A towel.				

<i>Children are not allowed in the pool if they are wearing earrings</i>			
Accessories			
School book bag (Rucksacks not permitted)	Required	Optional	Branded bags available from Hamilton's, unbranded are available from many high street retailers.

Full details of uniform expectations can be found here in our policy:
<https://scargill.eschools.co.uk/web/policies/638006>
 An additional reminder to parents that children need to bring a book bag to carry their belongings. Rucksacks are not permitted due to space on individual pegs.

Please, please, please ensure that your child's name is in all their school clothing!



Mobile phones, airtags & smartwatches

These are not allowed in school at all. Any device found in school will be sent to the office and returned only to parents at the end of the day.

Our school device policy states: The DfE's non-statutory mobile phone guidance says that pupils should not use mobile phones throughout the school day. Pupils are not permitted to bring mobile phones and other devices into school unless they have been given express permission by the Executive Headteacher. Permission must be sought in writing by the child's primary carer. Permission will only be granted in 'exceptional circumstances'. Walking to and from school alone, will not normally constitute 'exceptional circumstances'. The decision of the Executive Headteacher is final. If a pupil is given permission (by a member of the SLT) to have a personal device in school, it will not be used on the school premises. The device will be brought directly to the school office at the beginning of the day and collected at the end of the day prior to leaving. Access to the phone during the day is not permitted. On occasions, a child may accidentally bring a device into school. If this is the case, it should be handed into the office at the earliest opportunity. The parent will be notified by a senior member of staff and be expected to collect the device in person from the school office.



Please ensure your child does not bring these devices into school.
 Thank you for your support.

Medical Needs and Contact Details

If your child has any changes to their medical needs or contact details, please ensure you inform our school office.



If your child requires a special medical diet, for example they have a food allergy, you must complete this form

[CTL - Food Allergy & Intolerance Form V2](#)

Home Time



Collecting Children at the end of the school day

Reception children are dismissed at 3.20pm. The rest of the school (Y1-6) are dismissed at 3.25pm. Please ensure you are ready to greet your child at the correct time.

Parents must please ensure that any older siblings collecting children adhere to the following and that class teachers are informed of any change to the usual arrangement:

Collection of Reception children - Minimum age 16 years.

KS1 & KS2- Minimum age 14 years.

Y5 and Y6 children can walk home independently - please ensure the school office is aware of this in writing.

We understand that unforeseen circumstances can very occasionally lead to a late pick up. If you are going to be late, please ensure you have informed the school office.

Unfortunately, we are unable to offer child care provision by teaching staff or admin staff after school has ended. If you are unable to make the end of the school day collection time on a regular basis, the JAG after school club (situated in our new hall) could be able to offer your child a place.

Scargill Church of England Primary School - Before & After-School Provision

Polite Request 1 Water Bottles

Please can parents only send a small reusable bottle into school. These should be filled up before coming to school and taken home to be washed every day. Inexpensive bottles with a sports cap like the ones below are ideal because if they are accidentally knocked over they are less likely to spill everywhere!



Recently we have noticed an increase in very expensive bottles and even bucket sized ones that there is simply not the room for! If your child drinks all their water, they can refill their bottle in school.

Polite Request 2 Scooters/Bikes

It is wonderful to see that so many families are walking and scooting/bike riding to school rather than using the car.

For safety reasons, can you please remind your child to always push and walk with their scooter/bike when they are on the school playground to prevent any accidents.

Thank you.



Is your child due to start school in September 2022?

Love of learning,
Love of community,
Love of people,
Love of God and
Love of life itself

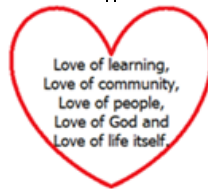
Yet all that you do,
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Please come along to our Open Morning on
Tuesday 10th November 9.30am or 10.30am
sessions

Beech Lane
West Hallam
Ilkeston
Derbyshire
DE7 6GU

If you would like to come and have a look around school please contact our
school office on 0115 9320005 or send us an email
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DDAT



Our uniform drop/swap shop is available again located in the bike shed at the front of school. If you can donate any uniform (including PE kit items or coats) that are in good condition, please bag them up in clear plastic bags and clearly label what is inside and the size. All parents can drop off, swap or take any of the clothing. This is completely free and simply a way for parents to support each other as well as help the environment.

Community Events

BUILDING FAITH

AT KIRK HALLAM COMMUNITY CENTRE

HAVE FUN BUILDING LEGO
LEARN ABOUT BIBLE STORIES AND FAITH
HOT DRINKS AND SNACKS
DUPLO & TOYS FOR PRESCHOOLERS

SUN 19TH JULY, 3-4
WED 5TH AUG, 10-12
SUN 13TH SEPT, 3-4
SUN 11TH OCT, 3-4
SUN 8TH NOV, 3-4
SUN 13TH DEC, 3-4

FREE ACTIVITY.
ALL LEGO PROVIDED.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.
For further info please contact Rev Ailsa on 07356 064856.

Junior Adventures Group

Action-Packed Before & After School Experiences

SUPER SPORTS • POWER TEAMS • GLOBAL KIDS • FLAVOUR FEST
CREATIVE INVENTORS • BRAIN BOOSTERS • WELLBEING WARRIORS

Fun packed multi-activity clubs running every school day!

- ✓ ACTIVITIES DESIGNED FOR ALL AGES AND INTERESTS
- ✓ CREATE LIFELONG FRIENDSHIPS OVER EXCITING ADVENTURES BEYOND THE CLASSROOM
- ✓ DELIVERED BY A TEAM OF EXPERTLY TRAINED PROFESSIONALS
- ✓ WEEKLY CHILDREN'S MEETINGS TO PUT THEM IN CONTROL OF THEIR EXPERIENCE
- ✓ PROMOTES FUN, CURIOSITY AND MINDFULNESS
- ✓ HEALTHY BREAKFAST & NUTRITIOUS AFTER SCHOOL SNACK AVAILABLE EACH DAY

RISE THEN SHINE AND STAY AND PLAY

SCAN HERE TO BOOK NOW!

0333 577 1533
junioradventuresgroup.co.uk

Ofsted

For more information:
Scargill Church of England Primary School - Before & After-School Provision



500 Words is the UK's largest story-writing competition for 5-11 year-olds. This year, entries open from Tuesday 29 September and will close at 9pm, Friday 6 November.

The competition celebrates children's creativity and imagination, encouraging children from across the UK to create an original story in 500 words or fewer.

There are two age categories: 5-7 and 8-11 year-olds.

Spelling, punctuation and grammar are not marked - as has

always been the case for 500 Words, it's all about our writers' brilliant creativity!

Click here for more information:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words>



Hello Yellow Day – Friday 9th October

We are excited to be taking part in Hello Yellow Day, a special day that helps children understand that it is okay to talk about how we feel and ask for help when we need it. The day builds on our schools caring ethos and Thrive work. It is all about friendship, kindness, feelings and looking after our mental wellbeing. Through our lessons we will encourage children to talk about their emotions, listen to others and understand that everyone has feelings. We will also be celebrating the importance of being there for each other and reminding children that they can always talk to a trusted adult if something is worrying them.

To help us spread a little sunshine, children are invited to wear a yellow item with their uniform on Hello Yellow Day for a donation to Young Minds. Examples could be, a yellow hair accessories, a yellow top or socks. They will need to wear the usual school uniform with their item.

We will be raising money for the Young Minds Charity. Please follow this link to make your donation: <https://fundraise.youngminds.org.uk/fundraisers/scargill/hello-yellow>

Thank you for helping us make mental wellbeing a positive and important part of school life.

Harvest

This year we will be collecting donations for the West Hallam Methodist Church Food Bank.

Suggested items to please donate: Tinned fruit, Rice pudding, tinned meatballs, tinned potatoes, kitchen cleaning products, kitchen rolls, toilet rolls. Individual sponge pudding, tinned soup, biscuits. Shower gel of any kind.

Please can items be brought into school on **Monday 5th October.**

St Wilfrid's Church are having their Harvest Festival on Sunday 4th October starting at 11am and all our families are invited to come along to this family service.

Exciting News!

We now have an Amazon Wishlist!

We are eternally grateful for all those that are able to support us by attending and helping at events and any other support

We now have a wishlist of items that will be of use to the school, at events or as prizes that can be purchased to send straight to the school to help us continue to support the school and give the children the best educational and social experience we can

From all at Friends of Scargill

Thankyou!!

wishlist

Please use this link, if you would like to help with the Amazon wishlist.

<https://tinyurl.com/38jztyr>

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Parking

Please can we ask that parents show respect and consideration to our neighbours when parking near school and not block drives and leave engines running unnecessarily. There are cars parking/pulling in on the zigzags on Hallam Way. I have asked our PCSO to monitor this. The markings are there to help keep all our children safe. It is extremely dangerous when people park illegally. PLEASE FOLLOW THE RULES!

<https://www.think.gov.uk/road-safety-laws/>

Please also note that parents should not park in the staff carparks. This includes parents using JAG before after school club.

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and



Pupil Premium

As a school, we offer funding for afterschool sports clubs run by AM sports for all of our children who are eligible for Pupil Premium funding.

[Free school meals \(FSM\) - Derbyshire County Council](#)



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

Volunteers Needed!



Do you have some spare time and you would like to help in school?

Our children have really benefitted from some wonderful volunteers we have had in school this year. If you are interested in coming into help, please contact the school office for an application form (this is really easy to complete).

If you would like any more information regarding this, please come and chat to me on the playground or give me a call.

Communication

The chart below gives you key information regarding who to contact about the different aspects of school and how you can contact them should you need to:

Where to go?

School Website	School Office	Class Teachers	SENDCOs	Head of School
Information about: - Term dates - Key dates - School policies - Newsletters - Key people in school - Early Help - Safeguarding - Curriculum - Statutory school information - PTA information - Governor information www.scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk	Information about: - Admissions - Pupil illness/absence - Medicines in school - Medical conditions - Changes to contact details - School meals - Payments - Afterschool clubs information info@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk	For questions or concerns about: - Homework - Achievement - Friendships - Behaviour - Lessons - Family matters which be affecting your child - Bullying concerns - Trips/residential Teachers are available on the playground at the end of the school day or you can email the department email addresses below.	For questions or concerns about: - Special Educational Needs or Disabilities - Issues or advice regarding SEND Miss Clutterbuck is SENDCO for EYFS & KS1 Mrs Hallsworth is SENDCO for KS2 You can speak to them on the playground at the start/end of the day, phone or email SENCO@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk	Information about: - Safeguarding - Sustained issues which the class teacher has been unable to resolve - If the Head of School is unavailable, the Deputy Head will respond to any concerns. You can speak to the Senior Leadership Team on the playground at the start/end of the day, phone or email info@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk
www.scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk email: info@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk Telephone: 0115 9320005	EYFS@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk Y1-2Department@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk Y3-4Department@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk Y5-6Department@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk		 Twitter @scargill_school	

Please follow us on Facebook



Scargill CE Primary School

Contacting Teachers

If you would like to talk to us about your child and any concerns you have, please get in touch. In the first instance, please contact your child's class teacher. You can do this by phoning the school office or using the email addresses below for each department.

EYFS@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk
Y1-2Department@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk
Y3-4Department@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk
Y5-6Department@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk

Where can I find more information?

Please keep using our website for additional support and information.

A half-termly newsletter for each department detailing specific aspects of the curriculum that your child will be learning can be found in the Year Groups tab on our website.

Also, follow us on X (Twitter) @scargill_school as we often share helpful information and it gives you an up-to-date view of what is happening in school.

TERM DATES - 2026/27

Friday 4th September – Friday 23rd October 2026
Monday 2nd November – Friday 18th December 2026

Monday 4th January – Friday 12th February 2027
Monday 22nd February–Thursday 25th March 2027
Monday 12th April – Friday 28th May 2027
Monday 7th June – Monday 26th July

INSET Days 26/27

Friday 4th September 2026
Monday 4th January 2027
Monday 22nd February 2027
Friday 28th May 2027
Monday 26th July 2027

Diary Dates

Autumn Term

18.9.26 – Y6 Heanor Gate Taster Day
22.9.26 – Changing Lives – Y5/6 wellbeing workshops
23.10.26 – Y5/6 Anglo Saxons Visitor
5.10.26 – Harvest Festival

Diary Dates cont....

8.10.26 – Y5/6 Humanist Speaker
9.10.26 – Hello Yellow Day
12.10.26 9.30am – Y3 Bible Presentation at St Wilfrid's Church – All Y3 parents welcome.
w/c 19.10.26 – Book Fayre
19.10.26 – Parents' Evening
22.10.26 – Parents' Evening
22.10.26 – Y6 trip to the Open Centre
10.11.26 – Open morning - New Starter Reception 2027 parents welcome
16.11.26 – Individual School Photographs
Spring Term
23.3.26 pm (time TBC) – Y3/4 Production
24.3.26 am (time TBC) – Y3/4 Production
w/c 15.3.27 – Y4 Edale
w/c 12.4.27 – Y4 Edale
Summer Term
w/c 5.7.26 – Y6 IOW

