



## Autumn 1 2025-2026 Newsletter

### Year 3/4



### Welcome to Y3/4!

We would like to welcome all of our families back to Scargill after the summer break. We hope you are all well and we are so pleased to be warmly welcoming your child into our Year 3/4 department.

Whether they have moved from Year 3 to Year 4 or are joining the department from KS1, we hope they have enjoyed their start to the new academic year and we are looking forward to a great year together.

Our aim is to inspire, support and encourage your child to fulfil their potential and thrive during their time in Y3/4.

### Department Staff

We have three mixed cohort classes in Y3/4 - Lions, Tigers and Leopards.

Lions are taught by Miss Roper (Mon-Wed) and Mr Askew (Thurs-Fri), Tigers are taught by Mrs Taylor (Mon) and Mrs Guest (Tues-Fri), Leopards are taught by Miss Joy.

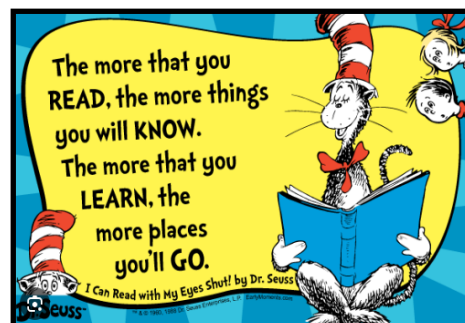
PPA cover in the classes will be taught by Mr Askew (Lions/Leopards) and Mrs Rowles (Tigers).

We have several TAs that support children across our year group, these include: Mrs Rowles, Mrs Claypole, Mrs Perry, Mrs Riley, Miss Bletcher, Miss Speller, Miss Dexter, Miss Smith, Mr Morris, Mrs Swift and Mrs Brown.



### Reading

Reading is such an important life skill and helps all children to access learning at school. Reading frequently really does make the greatest difference to children's ability and confidence.



All children should have received a reading record and reading book by the end of their first full week back.

If your child is new to Key Stage 2, they will be responsible for changing their own book in our library area and time is allocated for this first thing every morning.

Children are able to choose from a wide range of books at their reading level and ones that they feel they will enjoy reading. Reading continues to be vitally important to a child's academic success as they move through school so please try to hear your child read daily. All children benefit from a daily read and the opportunity to discuss the book they are reading.

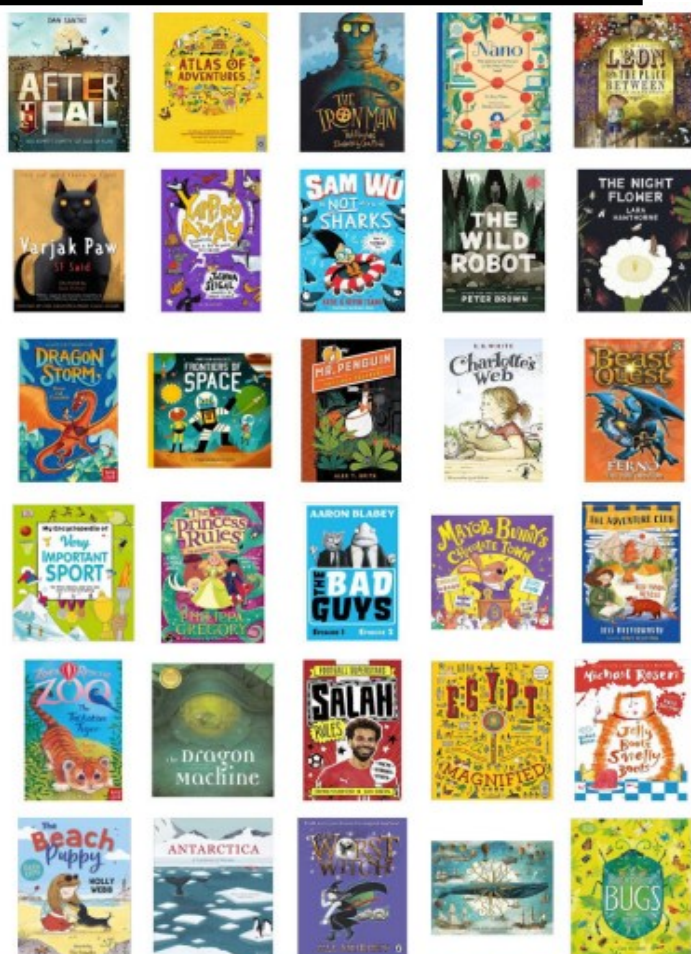
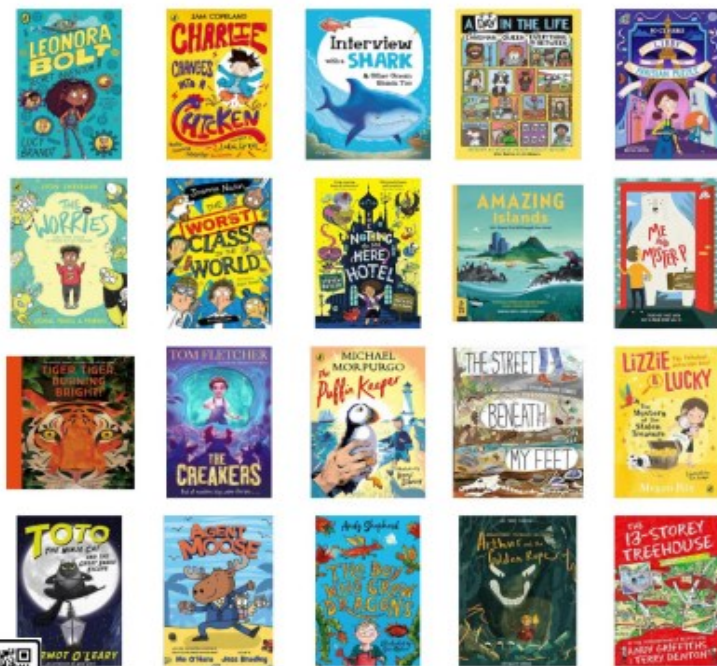
In line with our Dojo reward system, we award 3 Dojos for each time your child reads to an adult at home and 2 if they read it independently.

All reads can be logged in your child's reading record. This can be in the form of a comment or simply just an initial to acknowledge a read has taken place. Teachers will check the children's reads regularly but please remind your child to let the class teacher know if they are owed Dojo points for reading.

Thank you for your cooperation.  
We really do appreciate your support with promoting reading.

If you are not sure which books to recommend to your child, here are some recommended reads that are suitable for ages 7-9. In our school library, there are clearly labelled books as recommended reads for all year groups that your child can choose from to enjoy.

**(ages 7-8)**

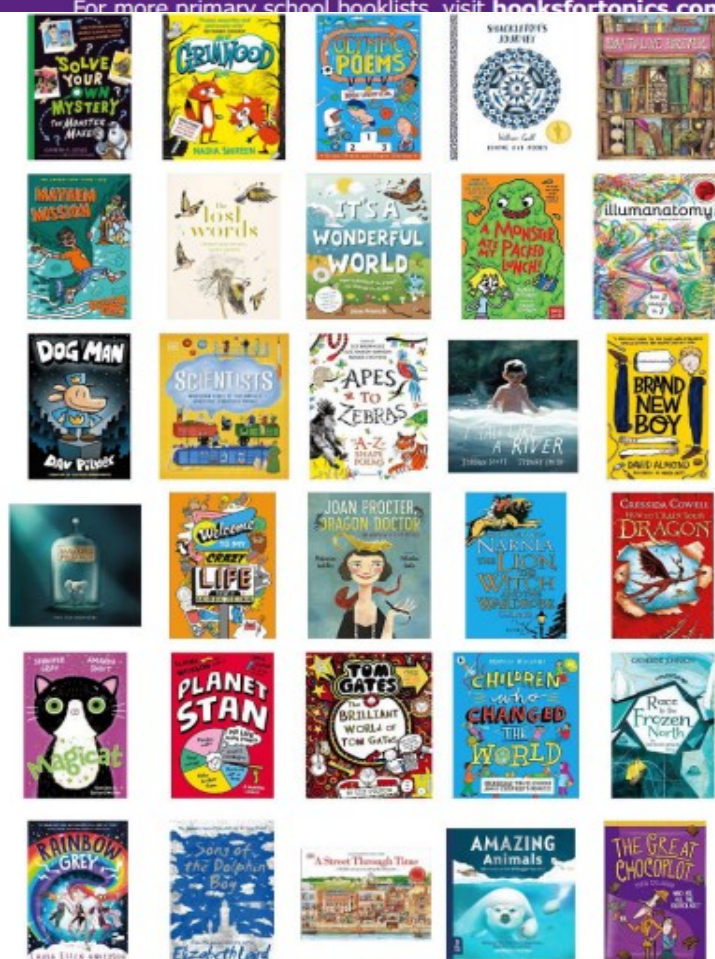


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**(ages 8-9)**



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## Autumn 1 25/26 - Our Y3/4 Curriculum

### English

Oracy: Speaking and Listening skills

Discussion Texts:

Should Ariel live on land or in the sea?

Should the Wonka factory close down?



### Maths

Place Value

Addition and Subtraction



### Science

Animals including Humans



### Computing

Digital Literacy - Online safety

**purple  
mash**

### Geography

How can we use maps to find out information about countries in the UK?

### Art

Drawing - Growing Artists



### PSHE

Being Me



### Thrive

Our individual class focus



### Religion and Worldviews

What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?



### Music

Ballads



### French

Greetings, numbers and colours



### PE

Outdoor PE: Ball Skills

Indoor PE: Yoga

Lions: Indoor – Monday

Outdoor – Thursday

Tigers: Indoor – Friday

Outdoor – Thursday

Leopards: Indoor - Monday

Outdoor - Thursday



**Upcoming dates:** (Please refer to our whole school newsletter for any additional or updated dates)

17.9.25 - Themed 'Back-to-School' dinner day

22.9.25 - Harvest Festival worship

24.9.25 - Pupil Flu immunisations

2.10.25 - Themed 'Space' school dinner day

10.10.25 - Hello Yellow Day - Wear something yellow!

W/C: 20.10.25 - Scholastic Book Fair

24.10.25 - Break-up for half-term

## **A few gentle reminders for the new term!**

### **Water Bottles**

Please provide your child with a suitability sized, named plastic water bottle. Please do not send disposable water bottles, as we are working hard to reduce waste and to encourage the children to use less single use plastic.

### **Snacks**

Please note that fresh fruit is the only snack allowed at break times, again please avoid single use plastic packaging where possible.

### **Pencil Cases**

We will provide all children with everything they need. Please don't bring any personal stationary or toys from home in to school, as they have a tendency to get lost and this causes unnecessary upset.

### **Bags**

PE kits should ideally be in drawstring bags as these are easiest to hang on pegs. A flat book bag should be used for reading books or any home learning as these are the perfect size and shape for A4 wallets, paper and books that may travel between school and home regularly.

Please note that rucksacks are not permitted in line with our uniform policy.

Having the correct uniform is important for all of our children to be part of the Scargill community and feel proud of their Scargill identity as they represent our school. If your child receives a uniform letter, please work with us to address it and if you have any questions then please don't hesitate to get in touch with us via our department email address.

## **NUT ALLERGIES**



Please be aware that we have children in school who could have an anaphylactic reaction if exposed to 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!

## **Communication**

The easiest way to contact us in the Y3/4 team is by using our email address:

Y3-4department@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk

We will also use phone calls, texts, X (Twitter), and the school website to keep you informed.  
We are looking forward to a wonderful Autumn term with your child.

If you have any questions or if there is anything else that we can help you with then please don't hesitate to contact us.

Miss Roper, Mr Askew, Mrs Guest, Miss Joy and Mrs Taylor