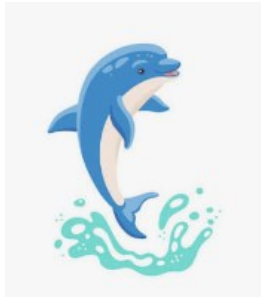




Autumn 1 2026-2027 Newsletter

KS1 & Reception



Welcome!

Welcome back to Scargill and a very warm welcome to all of our new families joining us for the first time!

We hope you all had a wonderful, relaxing summer break and are feeling refreshed, re-energised and ready for the exciting academic year ahead. The school is absolutely buzzing with life again. It is wonderful to see our hallways and classrooms filled with your children's smiling faces, high energy and enthusiasm for learning.

We are incredibly proud of our new starters in Early Years, who have settled into school life beautifully.

They have already been very busy learning their new daily routines, exploring their classrooms and making lovely new friends. Meanwhile, Year 1 and 2 have made a fantastic start to the term. Years 1 and 2 have thoroughly enjoyed exploring the concept of friendship in English while completing our Empathy Lab work and have loved learning more about our new topics in Geography and Science.

We look forward to working closely with you this year to ensure every child thrives. Thank you for your continued support, and here is to a brilliant year filled with curiosity, growth, and shared success!

Communication

The easiest way to contact us is by using our email address:

Y1-2department@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk

EYFS@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk

Please be aware that the email address isn't permanently manned, therefore please contact the school office if it is an urgent matter or an email relating to the same day.

We will also use phone calls, texts and the school website to keep you informed.

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 Clutterbuck, Miss Joy, Mr Swift and Mrs Harper-Lang

Autumn 1 Our Year 2 Curriculum

English

Empathy Lab and Oracy

Fiction - Jack and the Beanstalk (Diary Writing)



Maths

Place Value

Addition and Subtraction



Science

Animals including Humans



Computing

Making music



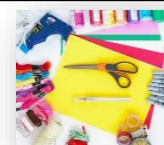
Geography

What do we know about our home island?



Art and Design

Drawing: Understanding tone and texture



PSHE

Being Me



Thrive

Our individual class focus



Religion and Worldviews

Who is a Muslim and what do they believe?



Music

Our home island—Singing



PE

Outdoor PE: Fundamental skills (Thursday)

Indoor PE: Gymnastics (Friday)



Read-a-Rainbow

Well done to all of our children who have already started our 'Read-a-Rainbow challenge. Once a child has completed the rainbow it means that they have read over 175 times which is amazing! It doesn't matter which colour bookmark your child is working on, please just encourage them to read for pleasure as much as possible and colour a segment of their bookmark in for each individual read.

Please also continue to make a note of home reads in your child's reading diary, this really helps us support your child by knowing how they are progressing with their reading at home.

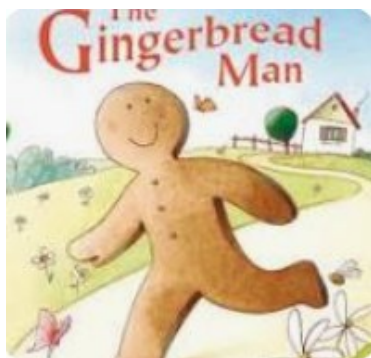


Autumn 1- Our Year 1 Curriculum

English

Empathy Lab and Oracy

The Gingerbread man – retelling the story through drama and written sentences.



Maths

Place value within 10

Addition and subtraction within 10



Science

Animals including humans. Thinking about different animal groups and their features.



Computing

Logging on. Online safety- including privacy and security.

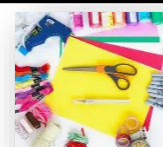


Geography

What can we see around our school? Finding out about physical and human features

Art and Design

Drawing - Exploring line and shape



PSHE

Being me



Thrive

Our individual class focus



Religion and Worldviews

What do Christians believe God is like?



PE

Outdoor PE: fundamentals (Thursdays)

Indoor PE: Gymnastics (Tuesdays)



Music

Keeping the pulse.

Using body, voice and instruments.



Please ensure earrings are removed on these days.

Homework

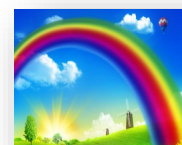
Paper homework will be sent out fortnightly, with online homework set every other week. Homework books must be sent in by the following Wednesday.

Read-a-Rainbow

All Y1 children will be given a red bookmark so that they can start their read-a-rainbow challenge. Children start on the red bookmark, and colour a segment each time they read at home. Please just encourage them to read for pleasure as much as possible and colour a segment of their bookmark in for each individual read.

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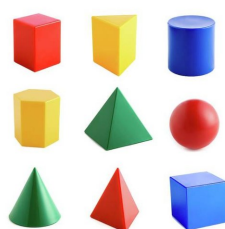
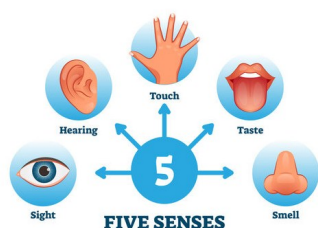
Reading books will be changed every Friday. Library books can be changed whenever your child wants to change it.



Curriculum- What will the children be learning this term in Reception?

Below is a brief overview of what we will be learning this term. Our Topic is all about Our-selves. We have lots of interesting and exciting activities planned for the children; however, at this stage the most important part of their learning is that the children enjoy coming to school, feel happy, safe and confident during the school day.

Week	Topic	Literacy	Phonics	Maths	Other
1 7/9	Starting school / My new class / routines Handwashing / toileting / staying safe	Sharing stories	Listening to sounds	Number songs and rhymes	
2 14/9	What is a family? / My family/ family tree	Nursery rhymes Jack & Jill	s a t p	Number songs and rhymes	Monday—Return your family house sheet (we will share these across the week)
3 21/9	Healthy eating and living	Nursery Rhymes Humpty Dumpty	i n m d	Match, Sort & Compare	Friday—Bike and scooter day - bring a bike or scooter to school.
4 28/9	What could I do when I was a baby?	Nursery Rhymes Incy Wincy Spider	g o c k	Match, Sort & Compare	Monday—Bring a photo of when you were a baby
5 5/10	Where do I live? What does my home look like?	Nursery Rhymes Heads, shoulders, knees and toes	ck e u r	Measure & Patterns	Monday—Bring a photo of your house
6 12/10	What's in my local area?	Nursery Rhymes 5 currant buns	h b f l	Measure & Patterns	
7 19/10	What are my senses?	Nursery Rhymes 5 little monkeys	Assess-ments	Verbal Sequencing & Patterns	



Reception Information

Physical Education

All children will take part in PE each week this will include changing time. PE will commence on Wednesday of the second week so please can you ensure that full indoor and outdoor kit is in school so that your child can partake. If your child has earrings please can you ensure that they can remove them or that they come to school with them already taken out on PE days.

Water Bottles

The children need to come to school each day with a bottle of water so that they can have a drink throughout the day. Early Years National Guidance requests that only water, not juice and please ensure the bottle is clearly labelled with your child's name—we have a lot of similar bottles. For children with sandwiches please feel free to send an additional bottle within the lunch box for whilst the children are eating.

Visiting Friends!

Within this half term we will introduce the children to our friends Danny Dolphin, Terry Turtle or Serena Seahorse. These cuddly friends will be sent home with one child to have a little adventure with them. They are yours for a weekend or a few days where he can go on adventures around the home or beyond! All details will be enclosed when they are sent.

Additionally, a little later in the year we send 'Once upon a Story Book' which is where children can share their favourite book to recommend to others in the class. We aim to send these apart so they shouldn't both arrive too close together for you.

Bike and Scooter Day

On Friday 25th September children are invited to come to school wearing shorts/leggings, t shirt, jumper (if needed) and trainers plus we ask them to bring their bike or scooter with them. We will be looking at the importance of exercise and looking at how to stay safe when out and about on bikes and scooters. Please ensure bikes/scooters and helmets are labelled. These can be parked along the wall to the side of the Reception entrance door up to the pre school wooden fencing.

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

5.10.26—Harvest Festival

w/c **19.10.26** – Book Fayre

19.10.26 – Parents' Evening

22.10.26 – Parents' Evening

8.12.26 2:30pm Nativity– Everyone Loves a Baby

9.12.26 & 10.12.26 9:15am Nativity– Everyone Loves a Baby



Nuts

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!

Reminder

Please could you take a little time to check all your child's clothing to ensure they all have your child's name clearly labelled on them. This has improved,

however there are still some items left at the end of the school day without names.

It really helps!