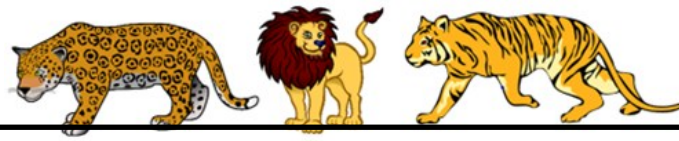




Spring 1 2024 Newsletter Year 3 and 4



Happy New Year!

We hope that you and your family had a restful, joyful Christmas and we wish you a happy, healthy New Year!

As ever, the Year 3-4 team would like to thank you for your cards, gifts and Christmas well wishes, you have been very generous.



A Warm welcome Miss Joy!

Miss Joy will be teaching in Tiger Class Monday and Tuesday while Mrs Wilderspin is on maternity leave. The pupils had opportunity to meet their new teacher towards the end of last half term and are very excited to welcome her into the team, we are all sure she will fit right in! We know that all members of the Scargill Family from pupils, to parents/carers and staff will make her feel really welcome.



Some Highlights from Autumn 2

Last half term was a busy one in the department, with the pupils working very hard right up until Christmas. They continued to hone their creative writing skills and have produced some fantastic and imaginative biographies for Santa as well as using their observations from the snowy weather to produce some brilliant descriptive writing inspired by the 'Ice Palace'. Science was rather noisy last half term, with the pupils learning and experimenting with sound.

And of course, it wouldn't be Autumn 2 with lots of excitement for Christmas! Year 3-4 were a credit to the school and you during their trip to the panto. It was a great that all children in across the school had the opportunity to experience a trip to the theatre and thank parents for their support in this. There were also visits to St Wilfrids Church to explore the Christian meaning behind festivities and of course, the long anticipated Christmas

Our Christingle Service at St Wilfrids

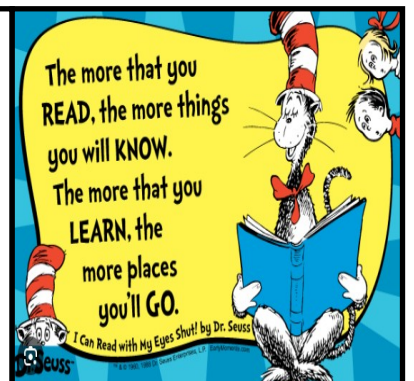


Exploring the church after our service.

Reading

Reading is such an important life skill and helps all children to access learning at school. Daily reads are an essential element of a child's reading progression and it is really good to see so many children and their families acknowledging this and working so hard. Many thanks for your continued support with this, it really does make the greatest difference. Remember that reading for pleasure can be reading a sign, recipe, comic strip or magazine as well as your child's school reading book.

Please continue to log all reads 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. Make sure your child hands in their reading record so their teacher can add on their Dojo points for reading at home.



Our Curriculum

Maths Year 3

Multiplication & Division
Length and Perimeter
Fractions



Maths Year 4

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English -

Poetry— The Sound collector by Roger McGough

The pupils will be working on writing a free verse poem and a poem about celebration.

Characterising Speech Text— Evil Sorceress vs The Three Fairies by Grammaraurus

The pupils will work on their own speech characterisation

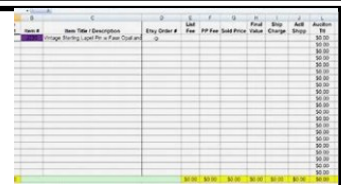
Science

Electricity and circuits



Computing

Information Technology—
Spreadsheets



R&W

Why are festivals important to religious communities (Jewish and Hindu)



French

Family Tree and faces



PSHE

Dreams and Goals



History

Stone Age through to Iron Age



PE

Outdoor PE 1: Dodgeball Outdoor PE 2: Tennis
Lions: Tuesday &
Tigers: Tuesday &
Leopards: Monday &



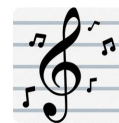
Thrive

Our individual class focus



Music

Developing singing skills



Upcoming dates:

6.1.25—Term Starts
21.1.25—Open morning (3rd time lucky!)
10.2.25—Parents Evening
13.2.25—Parents Evening
14.2.25—Theme Dinner
Break up for half term
24.2.25—Term starts
Jewish Workshop

Times Tables

In Summer 2 all children in Year 4 complete the statutory Multiplication Tables Check, to assess their recall of their times tables which is essential to future success in Mathematics.

As well as weekly coverage and practise across the Key Stage within Maths sessions, we also encourage children to practice regularly at home through Times Table RockStars.

We would hate for lack on internet access to be a barrier to any pupils success, there are regular opportunities across the week for pupils to access TT RockStars at lunchtime under the supervision of their class teachers. Please get your child to ask their teacher if they would to practise more in school!



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, sesame topped bread or hummus dips.

Thank you!

A few gentle reminders:

Water Bottles

Please provide your child with a 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

Fresh fruit is the only snack allowed at break times, again please avoid single use plastic packaging.

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 be in drawstring bags as these are easiest to hang on pegs. A flat book bag should be used for reading books and any homework. Rucksacks are not permitted.

Communication

The easiest way to contact any member of the Year 3/4 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 hope you have found this information sheet helpful. If there is anything else you would like to know please ask.