



## Autumn 1 2024 Newsletter

### Year 3 and 4



### Welcome to Year 3 and 4

Welcome to another exciting and fun packed year at Scargill. We are so pleased to be welcoming your child to our Year 3 and 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 look forward to a great year together.

### Department Staff

Our mixed cohort classes are:

Lions – Taught by Mrs Benn (Mon – Thurs) and Mrs Higgins (fri)

Tigers – Taught by Mrs Wilderspin (Mon – Tues) and Mrs Guest (Wed – Fri\_

Leopards – Mrs West

PPA across the department will be covered by Mrs Rowles and Mrs Speller.

Mrs Perry, Mrs Truman, Miss Dexter and Mrs Moore will work alongside the teachers to support children with their learning.

### Communication

The team look forward to working closely with you over the coming year to help your child have a successful year. Any queries, questions or concerns should be directed to your child's class teacher(s) in the first instance, they will more than happy to discuss anything raised. The easiest

easiest way to contact any member of the Year 3/4 team is by using our email address:

**Y3-**

**[4department@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:4department@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk)**

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

Towards the end of the half term parents will be invited to book a parents evening consultation to discuss their child's progress so keep an eye out for communication about this nearer the time. We look forward to meeting with you.

### A few gentle reminders:

#### Water Bottles

Keeping hydrated is important and vital to learning.

With is in mind please ensure your child has a named plastic or metal water bottle in school.

Please do not send disposable water bottles, as we are working hard to reduce waste and to encourage the children to be more sustainable and cut their use of single use plastic.

#### Snacks

Children are able to bring a snack of fresh fruit to enjoy at break times. Again, please avoid single use plastic packaging.

#### Pencil Cases

We will provide all children with everything they need, so please don't bring any personal stationary or toys from home in to school. They tend 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.

## Curriculum- What will the children be learning this term?

### Year 3

### Year 4

**Maths-** Place Value within 1000  
Addition and Subtraction



Place Value – 4-digit numbers  
Addition and Subtraction



### **English -**

Iron Man  
The real Wonders of the World  
Marshmallow  
The Cataract at Lodore

**Science-** Animals including Humans (Teeth and Digestion)

**Computing-** Digital Literacy & Online Safety



**PSHE-** Being Me

**R&W-** What do Christians learn from the Creation Story

### **PE-**

Please make sure that children have the correct PE kit in school so they are able to participate in lessons. It is important to ensure that all items in PE kits named, it makes it much easier for stray kit to be returned it's rightful owner!

**Hair** - For safety it is important that long hair should be tied back securely for P.E sessions.

**Earrings** - Earrings may not be worn for PE for safety reasons. If your child has had their ears pierced recently within the last 6 weeks or has an infection that means removing earrings is discouraged please let the class teacher know and provide surgical tape to cover the earrings. In all other cases earrings must be removed for the session, if your child is able to do this safely and independently then provide a small box to store them in, if not the best option is to leave earrings out on PE days!

### **Indoor PE – Dance**

### **Outdoor PE – Team building**

Lions: Indoor – Tues afternoon/Outdoor – Thurs afternoon

Tigers: Indoor – Friday afternoon/Outdoor – Tues afternoon

Leopards: Indoor - Monday afternoon/ Outdoor – Thurs afternoon

**Geography-** What do we know about our European Neighbours?

**Thrive –** Transitioning activities and getting to know our new classes

**French-** Welcome to school, super learners!

**DT –** Food Technology – Healthy breakfasts.



### **NUT/SESAME ALLERGIES**

We have children in school who could have an anaphylactic reaction if exposed to nuts/sesame or nut/sesame traces. Please only send your children to school with packed lunches that do not contain nuts/sesame or products containing nut/sesame 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!

### Reading

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

If your child is new to Key Stage 2, then 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 are to 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. 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.

### DT – Cereal boxes required

The children will be designing and making a healthy breakfast in their DT lessons this term. Please can you make sure that the school are up to date with any allergies and/or dietary requirements.

As part of their learning the pupils will be looking at the nutritional information of breakfast foods, if you have any finished cereals or breakfast bar boxes at home could these be brought into school for the week commencing 16/9/2024. As per the note above please make sure that no boxes that have contained nuts or seeds are brought into school due to allergies. Thank you.

### Important Dates

**30<sup>th</sup> September** Harvest festival

**2<sup>nd</sup> October** Open Morning

**10<sup>th</sup> October** Hello Yellow

**21<sup>st</sup> October** Parents evening

**21<sup>st</sup> October- 24<sup>th</sup> October:** Scholastic Book Fair

**24<sup>th</sup> October** Parents evening

**25<sup>th</sup> October:** Last day of term