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Newsletter – December 2024
Head of School – Mrs S Hallsworth



Toy Service

Thank you to the families who donated toys to school. There was a great response and these were very much appreciated at the Toy Service a couple of weeks ago at St Wilfrid's Church.

Nativity Performances



Over the last couple of weeks our Reception and Y1&2 children performed their version of the Nativity Story. It was great that the children could remind everyone why we celebrate Christmas. All the children had worked very hard to learn their lines, songs and dances. Well done to all of them – superstars indeed! Thanks to all the parents and grandparents who came along to watch and for your generosity in donations. £334.48 was raised which will be split between Friends of Scargill (FOS) and the children's chosen charity the RSPCA.

Ofsted

As you will have seen in the report sent home last week, our school has been rated good in all areas judged. We are delighted with this recognition of all the hard work and improvements we have made over a number of years. Thank you to the families that continue to support school life and work with us as we continue on our journey. Moving a school from a Requires Improvement judgement to Good is not a quick fix and I want to say a huge thank you to the dedication of all our staff who have worked tirelessly and continue to do so to ensure the very best for your children. Their commitment to uphold the vision and values of our school is second to none. Scargill really is a very special school for all children to flourish and it was great that the team of inspectors recognised this clearly.

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Church Visits

During this week, all classes have visited St Wilfrid's Church. They held a special worship and have the opportunity to look at all the wonderful decorations. Our Y5/6 children made Christingles for the Y3/4 childrens visit to church when they held a Christingle Service.



Theatre Trips

The children have had a marvellous time visiting the theatre. It has been magical to watch them in awe of the whole theatre experience. They have returned to school wowed by the different shows; retelling funny stories of what they have watched and their amazement of the sets and actors. Well done to those who have been super brave and been up on stage!



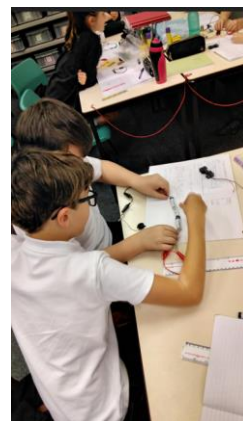
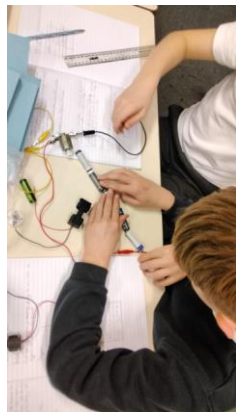
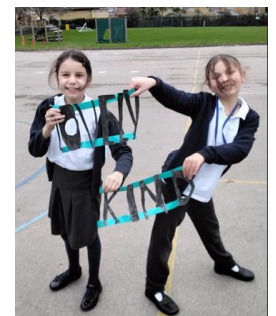
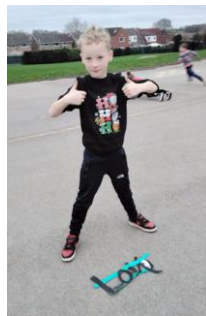
Data Sheets

Unfortunately, due to a delay by the publishing company of the delivery of the termly tests for the children and then a complication with our central server for printing them, the data sheets will now be coming home in January.

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Other activities in school this term



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A Christmas tree with a difference!

During Thrive, the children have created Christmas tree baubles of their favourite books to read. It is lovely to see such a wide range of book covers from all over the school.

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Sustainability from the sensory garden

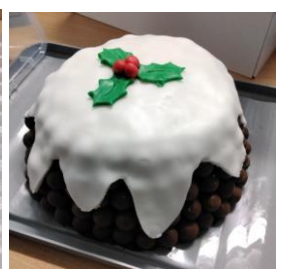
As part of learning about sustainability, some of the children have helped to grow their own produce in the sensory garden. The lovely kitchen staff have worked their magic and created wonderful baked goods for the children to enjoy at lunchtime.



Christmas Bake Off and Cake Sale



We had a record number of entries for the Scargill Christmas Bake Off and I know the School Council had a really tough time deciding who the winners were. Well done to everyone who took part.



Thanks to everyone who has helped or contributed to our fundraising this term. Details of what has been raised are as follows:

Nativity refreshments £101.36

Nativity performance donations – Shared between FOS & the RSPCA £334.48

Raffle £707

Cake sale £392.77

Movie Night £677.10



Don't forget to take part in the reindeer hunt around the village over the Christmas holiday. £1 to enter and the entry form has previously been sent home or a printable version can be found in the December section of News on our website. All entries to be in by 8th January please to be entered into the prize draw.

The FOS funds are going towards the repair of the wooded play equipment on the school field for all the children to use. FOS funds have also paid for the Christmas parties and dip-in-the-box rewards.

Michael's Way Sensory Garden



We are expecting a visit from Father Christmas on Sunday the 22nd of December. He will be around the garden during our opening time 10am-12pm. The Church Wilne Satellite Rotary Club will be providing hot chocolate to purchase, and donations bucket will be out.



We are raising money for the garden. The garden will need new plants in the spring and some parts will need replenishing from the winter months.

Please come along and join us.



Our uniform drop/swap shop will be available again next term 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.

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

Thank you.

St Wilfrid's Church events over Christmas

Sunday 22nd December 5.00pm

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Carols by Candlelight

Christmas Eve 11.30pm

Midnight Service with Holy Communion

Scargill CE Primary School Beech Lane West Hallam ILKESTON DE7 6GU

Tel 0115 9320005

Email info@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk

Website www.scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk

Polite Request 1

There are a number of dogs accompanying their owners on the school run. It has been brought to my attention, that there now seems to be a some dogs waiting near the gate entrance off the rec. Please can dog owners be mindful that this can be very overwhelming and upsetting to young children. Please can you ensure dogs are well back from the path and stop them from jumping up at children and other parents.



Thank you

Polite Request 2

Please can you ensure pre-school age children waiting on the playground at the end of the day are waiting with their adult. There are an increasing number of children playing on the bank, bars and steps near to the Y2 & Y3/4 classrooms. The bars are not safe for climbing on. Also at this time of year, the school field and play equipment area are too wet to play on safely.



Thank you

Friends of Scargill (FOS) needs YOU!

7 Reasons to join FOS



Your Child benefits. FOS is an important part of the school and helps to enrich your child's school experience. Our fundraising has provided extras for the school such as the screens and sound systems in both halls, extra books for the library and treats for the children on special occasions.

To make a difference. FOS also organises events which add so much to your child's experience. School discos, Winter Wonderland and the Summer Fayre. This creates a real sense of community and benefits the children.

We have fun. Being part of FOS is a fun and rewarding experience as we plan and host events where parents can get together and make new connections. Holding more social evenings for parents such as a Race Night is something we'd love to do more of.

Make friends. Many friendships develop from being part of FOS. Volunteering your time and working towards a common goal is a rewarding experience and many long-lasting friendships are formed while being part of our team.

Feel involved. Every parent is welcome to our meetings and we love to see new members. Please consider coming along to our meetings or volunteer a few hours of your time to help at an event. It is a great way to get involved and feel part of the school family.

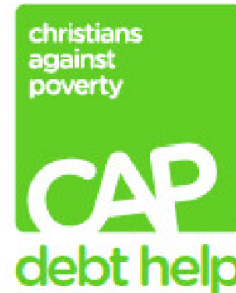
Give a helping hand. We realise that every parent is busy so we really appreciate any time you can give. Many hands make light work so if more people come forward we can share the work making it fun for everyone.

Keep our FOS going. As parents move on from the school. There is a real danger that there will no longer be a FOS to carry on providing this valuable resource. Please do consider helping, maybe teaming up as a group of parents to take over running FOS in the future.

Contact us via email:
scargillpta@yahoo.com

Facebook
facebook.com/friendsofscargill

Twitter @scargillfriends



If you're looking for help to get out of debt, find a job or gain vital life skills, Christians Against Poverty provides a range of free professional services across the UK through local churches. West Hallam Methodist Church is a Centre for CAP, they offer help to anyone regardless of their religious beliefs. They are committed to their services being available to all individuals regardless of age, disability, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, gender identity, sex or sexual identity. For local FREE, confidential help please call Ian 07504 507347 Lesley 07594 256177 Or call the CAP national debt line free on 0800 328 0006. For more information go to <https://capuk.org/get-help>

ASDA



Thank you to everyone who helped raise funds for school from Asda's Cashpot for Schools.
£253.55
was the grand total.



Together we raised
£ 394.50

TERM DATES - 2024/25

Monday 4th November – Friday 20th December 2024

Monday 6th January – Friday 14th February 2025

Monday 24th February – Friday 4th April 2025

Tuesday 22nd April – Friday 23rd May 2025

Monday 2nd June – Friday 25th July 2025

INSET Days

~~Thursday 5th & Friday 6th September 2024~~

~~Monday 4th November 2024~~

Monday 2nd June 2025

Friday 4th July 2025

BANK HOLIDAYS - school closed

Monday 21st April 2025

Monday 5th May 2025

Diary Dates

Spring Term

9.1.25- Changing Lives – Sleep Workshops Y1/2/3

13.1.25 – 3.30pm Friends of Scargill meeting at school

21.1.25 -Open Morning – All parents welcome

27.1.25 – 9am SEND Coffee morning

7.2.25-13.2.25 -Scholastic Book Fair

10.2.25 – Parents' Evening

I-vengers (Online Safety) pupil workshops throughout the day followed by two parent sessions (3.30pm and 4.30pm) during Parents' Evening.

11.2.25 – Internet Safety Day

13.2.25 – Parents' Evening

Diary Dates continued

Spring Term

24.2.2 – Y3/4 Jewish visitor

6.3.25 – World Book Day

w/c 31.3.24 – Y3&4 Performance (exact dates and times TBC) Church visits. Data sheets home to parents.

4.4.24 – 9.15am – Easter Bonnet Parade for Reception and Y1&2 children.

Summer Term

Each class will arrange a class visit for parents during the Summer Term

22.4.24 – World Earth Day

23.4.25 – 25.4.25 – Y4 -Edale

25.4.25 – Wollaton Hall trip Y1&2

w/c 12.5.25 – KS2 SATs week

w/c 2.6.25 – Multiplication Times Table Check week for Y4 children

9.6.25 – Phonics Screening check week – Y1 children

w/c 23.6.25 – Sports Days (exact dates and times TBC)

7.7.25-11.7.25 – Y6 Isle of Wight

8.7.25 – Y5 Trip to the Open Centre

w/c 21.7.25 – Y5&6 Performance (exact dates and times TBC) End of year reports to parents

21.7.25 – Open evening for parents – 3.25pm-5pm

25.7.25 – 9.15pm Leavers Service for Y6 at St Wilfrid's Church. All Y6 parents/carers welcome



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

Free School Meals for children


Please check if you are eligible for Free School Meals. If you qualify, your child will receive free school meals for their whole time at Primary School and we will give each child two school jumpers and a book bag. In addition to this, the school will receive funding which is used to support our children. Your child being on free school meal is completely confidential. To apply, please follow the link below.

Free school meals and Pupil Premium funding - Derbyshire County Council

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
<p>Information about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Term dates • Key dates • School policies • Newsletters • Key people in school • Early Help • Safeguarding • Curriculum • Statutory school information • PTA information • Governor information <p>www.scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk</p>	<p>Information about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Admissions • Pupil illness/absence • Medicines in school • Medical conditions • Changes to contact details • School meals • Payments • Afterschool clubs information <p>info@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk</p>	<p>For questions or concerns about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homework • Achievement • Friendships • Behaviour • Lessons • Family matters which be affecting your child • Bullying concerns • Trips/residentials <p>Teachers are available on the playground at the end of the school day or you can email the department email addresses below.</p>	<p>For questions or concerns about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special Educational Needs or Disabilities • Issues or advice regarding SEND <p>Miss Clutterbuck is SENDCO for EYFS & KS1 Mrs Hallsworth is SENDCO for KS2</p> <p>You can speak to them on the playground at the start/end of the day, phone or email SENCO@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk</p>	<p>Information about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. <p>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</p>
<p>www.scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk email: info@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk Telephone: 0115 9320005</p>	<p>EYFS@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk Y1-2Department@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk Y3-4Department@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk Y5-6Department@scargill.derbyshire.sch.uk</p>		<p> Twitter @scargill_school</p>	

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.

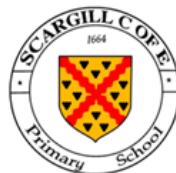
A half-termly newsletter for each department detailing specific aspects of the curriculum that your child will be learning can be found in the Year Groups tab on our website.

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.

We wish all our families a wonderful Christmas and all the very best for the new year.



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