



NEWSLETTER 3

10th November 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

One year ago ...

What a lot has happened over the past year! One year ago today we had our visit from Ofsted that didn't go as well as we would have hoped. Thankfully, Ofsted did come back in January to correct some of the errors that they made. In the past year, I have been constantly amazed by the resilience of both the staff and the children who have simply got on with the job of making Scargill as good as we can make it. This was highlighted in the Summer term of the last school year when we received an Outstanding church school inspection report.

There have also been a number of changes that are worthy of note. Firstly, we became an academy – although I hope that this has not even been noticed by the pupils. Our work with the Derby Diocese Academy Trust will help us to improve further and mean that our next Ofsted experience will be very different than the last one where we are recognized for being the good school that we believe that we are.

Another major change has been our many moves at the end of last year where we created a significant amount of space in the EYFS department so that we can accommodate the Village Pre school who will be moving onto the school site in January 2018. I am very excited about this change at school and look forward to seeing the benefits as we learn from one another by working very closely together.

With an eye to the future, I am also hopeful that the coming year will see significant building work and improvements to the school building. If 2017 was a big year in the life of Scargill then 2018 promises to be exciting as well.

PTA – Christmas Fayre

I would like to remind everyone that the Christmas Fayre will be held at school on Friday 8th December from 5.30pm to 7.30pm. It should be a fun evening for everyone and there will be lots of exciting stalls and events.

I would like to remind everyone of the wear something festive day on 4th December where children can come in non-uniform in exchange for something for the fayre.

EYFS – Items for hook-a bag stall, eg. Sweets, pencils, small books, bubbles, etc

Y1/2 – Chocolate for the chocolate tombola

Y3/4 – Tombola items such as toiletries, small toys, stationery, etc

Y5/6 – Bottles of any kind for the bottle pull

Parish Magazine Cover

We have been asked to design the cover of the December issue of the Parish magazine. We were going to do this as a class activity but unfortunately the date needed for entries has been moved forward by two weeks. Therefore, if your child would like to enter this mini competition and get their art work on the cover of the December issue then it needs to be completed over the weekend and returned to school on Monday in order to be considered. Entries should be on A4 and should be based on a Christmas theme. Happy colouring!

India Link

Last year, Mrs Wilderspin visited the Cathedral schools in Kolkatta on behalf of the school in order to develop a link with one of them. The school that we have been linked with is a small school in a poor area called Awami school. It is situated in one small room with up to 50 children squeezed in at times.

We are hoping to develop this link further over the academic year and we will be holding an India Day in school in January to learn more about Awami. At the same time, Mr Poole will be going out to Kolkatta and visiting the Cathedral schools.

There is much that we can do to remind our children how fortunate they are that they have an education system that is free. We also need to recognize that there is much that we can learn from the children in our link school and hopefully the children will see that there are things that we can do that will both help and support the children in our link schools.

Over future newsletters (especially after January) there will be lots of information shared about our link school.

Assessment Update

During the Autumn term, the department for education releases lots of information about how our results from last year compare with other schools nationally and locally. Our aspiration is always to be above the National Average and to have positive performance measures. This means that the progress made by children at Scargill is above that expected nationally. This is done on a scale that ranges from -7 to +7 with 0 being the expected progress and any measure with a positive number being above that expected nationally. The further away you get from zero, the less schools will be working at that level as (for all budding mathematicians out there) it is based around a normal distribution curve!

I would like to share our performance measures (for Reading, Writing and Maths) for last year with you as an example of how we are doing. I am pleased to say that in almost all cases for all groups we have positive progress measures. The only negative shows up in maths and that is one of the main reasons why maths is a key part of our School Improvement Plan for this year.

Progress Measures for 2016-2017 (KS2 SATs)			
	Reading	Writing	Maths
Whole Cohort (52)	0.96	1.74	0.04
Boys (35)	1.26	1.30	1.00
Girls (17)	0.36	2.63	-1.93
Disadvantaged (6)*	1.00	2.33	0.28

*Disadvantaged indicates those children who benefitted from pupil premium.

The results from KS1 were similarly pleasing and the percentages of children attaining at the expected level and at greater depth were above the national and the local average in all areas. Again, this shows the good work of the pupils and the dedication of the staff. Well done to everyone.

KS1 Assessments for 2016-2017- Attainment						
	Expected and above			Working at greater depth		
	School	National	LA	School	National	LA
Reading	80	76	75	34	25	25
Writing	78	68	68	23	16	16
Maths	80	75	75	27	21	20

Children in Need

As a school, we will be supporting Children in Need on Friday 17th November 2017. Children can come to school in non-uniform clothes and include spotty or Pudsey items as you wish. All donations will be gratefully received.

Operation Christmas Child - Christmas Shoe Boxes

Once again, we are supporting the Operation Christmas Child scheme to collect filled shoe boxes to be donated around the world. Leaflets have been sent out and all boxes need to be back in school for Monday 13th November at the latest. Many thanks for your support.

Awards

Winners of the class award were Deer, Seahorses and Hedgehogs in the Infants and Panther, Owls and Merlins in the Juniors. Well done also to Cavendish, Royce and Westwood houses who have won the house cup since the last newsletter.

Class	Scargill Star winners – 29/9/17		Scargill Star winners – 6/10/17	
Dolphins	Emilio	Jack	Zachary	Elias
Seahorses	Charlie	Noah	Lily	Annaleise
Deer	Harry	Ollie	Ethan	Lily
Badgers	Amelie	Fraser	Harvey	Ben
Rabbits	Emily	Ben	Ella	Matilda
Hedgehogs	Percy	Joseph	Leo	Imogen
Panthers	Lucie	April	Archie	Thea
Tigers	Kyron	Gracie	Rory	Joseph
Rhinos	Alfie	Oliver	Feighlan	Lucie
Lions	Eliza	Louisa	Ollie	Henry
Owls	Mary	Matthew	Max	Annie
Flamingos	Dalton	Annabelle	Isabelle	Arthur
Merlins	Olicia	Joshua	Blake	Niamh

Class	Scargill Star winners – 13/10/17		Scargill Star winners – 3/11/17	
Dolphins	Jake	Theodore	Melissa	Reuben
Seahorses	Harvey-Lee	Koby	Isabella	William
Deer	Brooke	Phoebe	Harry	Oliver

Badgers	Kara	Grace	William	Alfie
Rabbits	Thomas	Isabelle	Brandon	Bailey-Kane
Hedgehogs	Lawrence	Thomas	Thomas	Evie
Panthers	Dylan	Emily-Jayne	Lewis	Lennon
Tigers	Jack	Logan	Olivia	Brendan
Rhinos	Ewan	Paige	Grace	Alfie
Lions	Alfie	Rosie	Liam	Sophia
Owls	Harry	Alyssa	Lewis	Phoebe
Flamingos	Imogen	Adam	Holly	Frankie
Merlins	Jessica	Finn	Daniel	Alistair

Class	Stevens Award nominees – Oct 2017
Dolphins	Daisy
Seahorses	Alfie
Deer	Calvin
Badgers	Matilda
Rabbits	Francine
Hedgehogs	Charlotte
Panthers	Lydia
Tigers	Thomas
Rhinos	Isabella
Lions	Megan
Owls	Lucy
Flamingos	Oliver
Merlins	Ella

Scargill Citizen Award

Well done to Calvin from Deer class and Finn from Merlin class who were the first winners of the Scargill Citizen Bronze Award this year. I am sure that they will be the first of many but it is a great achievement to be the first!

Just to remind you, we have ten Scargill citizen values and if a pupil demonstrates one of these values through their behaviour or actions then they get a sticker. If they collect five stickers for one particular value then they can claim that value. A bronze award is given to pupils who have claimed three values. If a pupil claims six values then they can have a silver award but gold is only given to a pupil who has claimed all ten values within an academic year. I hope that, by the end of the school year, everyone will have an award of some kind and we will see many children achieving a gold award.

Diary Dates 2017/18 academic year

2017/18	INSET DAYS
Monday 30 October 2017 – Tuesday 19th December 2017	Monday 30 October 2017
Tuesday 2 January 2018 – Friday 16 February 2018	Tuesday 2 January 2018
Monday 26 February 2018 – Friday 23 March 2018	Monday 4 June 2018
Monday 9 April 2018 – Friday 25 May 2018	Friday 29 June 2018
Monday 4 June 2018 – Friday 20 July 2018	

DATE	EVENT
13-14/11/17	Parent consultations for Hedgehog class
17/11/17	Children in need
24/11/17	Non-uniform day to raise funds for 'Friends of Beech Lane' £1.00
28/11/17	Merlin Class worship – 9.15am
29/11/17	Y2 Production AM
30/11/17	Y2 Production AM
4/12/17	Non-Uniform day in exchange for something for the Christmas Fayre
6/12/17	Y1 Nativity AM
7/12/17	Y1 Nativity AM
7/12/17	Governors meeting 7.15pm
8/12/17	Christmas Fayre 5.30pm-7.30pm
13/12/17	EYFS Nativity AM
14/12/17	Rhino Class worship – 9.15am
14/12/17	EYFS Nativity PM
19/12/17	School Closes
2/1/18	INSET – School Closed
3/1/18	School Opens
8/1/18	Edale Parents evening – 6.00pm
18/1/18	Flamingo Class worship – 9.15am
24/1/17	Whole school INDIA day
25/1/18	EYFS Class worship – 9.15am
31/1/18	Rabbit Class worship – 9.15am
5/2/18	Governors meeting – 6.00pm
8/2/18	Badger Class worship – 9.15am
12/2/18	PARENTS EVENING
14/2/18	Valentine's Day discos

15/2/18	Tiger Class worship – 9.15am
15/2/18	PARENTS EVENING
16/2/18	School Closes
26/2/18	School Opens
2/3/18	Class photos
8/3/18	Deer Class worship – 9.15am
15/3/18	EYFS trip to National Forest Adventure Farm
15/3/18	Y3/4 Production PM
16/3/18	Y3/4 Production AM
20/3/18	Governors meeting – 7.15pm
2/3/18	Owl Class worship – 9.15am
19-23/3/18	Y4 trips to Edale
23/3/18	School Closes
9/4/18	School Opens
16/4/18	HOSPITALITY WEEK
7/5/18	May Day
14/5/18	KS2 SATs week
16/5/18	Governors Meeting 6.00pm
23/5/18	Y3/4 Cathedral singing event
24/5/18	Panther Class worship – 9.15am
25/5/18	School closes
4/6/18	INSET – school closed
5/6/18	School Opens
8/6/18	PTA Summer Fayre – 5.30pm- 7.30pm
11-15/6/18	IOW week for Y6
18/6/18	EYFS Sports Day
19/6/18	Y1/2 Sports Day
20/6/18	Y3/4 Sports Day
21/6/18	Y5/6 Sports Day
25/6/18	EYFS Sports Day – reserve date
25-26/6/18	Lea Green Trip for Y2
27/6/18	Y3/4 Sports Day – reserve date
28/6/18	Y5/6 Sports Day – reserve date
28/6/18	Hedgehog Class worship – 9.15am
29/6/18	INSET – School Closed
29/6/18	Y6 Leaver's Disco
2/7/18	Lion Class worship – 2.45pm
2/7/18	Y1/2 Sports Day – reserve date
3/7/18	Y6 Transition Day – Kirk Hallam
4/7/18	Y6 Transition Day – Kirk Hallam
12/7/18	Reports out
12/7/18	Governors meeting – 7.15pm
16/7/18	Open Evening for Parents 3.30pm to 5.30pm
18/7/18	Y5/6 Production at Kirk Hallam 7.00pm
20/7/18	School Closes
NB Following a request from parents any changes to previous diary dates sheets will be highlighted in green	