



NEWSLETTER 7

14th March 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

The Scargill Way – Over the past year, we have noticed a slow and steady deterioration in the behaviour of some children when it comes to doing the things that we expect all children at Scargill to do. We sometimes refer to these things as, ‘The Always Things’ and they are behaviours which the children should not need constant reminders to do. A full list can be seen below but they include things like not running in the corridor, having good manners in the lunch hall and being ready to learn to name but a few.

I have discussed these with the staff and all children will be going through the list this week in class. We are calling this ‘The Scargill Way’ and a copy will go up in every class to remind the children.

It should be noted that there is nothing new for children on the list – it is simply the first time that they have been recorded in this way. All children will be expected to do the things on the list and if not then they can expect to have a warning resulting in a card turn. We want the children to have a fair chance to remember these things without having their card turned, so, until the Easter holidays failure to abide by the things on the list will only result in a reminder that this would have been a turned card if it were after Easter.

I am sure that after Easter, we will see a short term increase in the number of cards given but I am hoping that the children will learn quickly and that you will encourage them to abide by the following list.

‘The Always List’ for pupils

1. Follow the 3 school rules
2. Follow the guidelines on the Class Presentation Poster
3. Wear school uniform
4. Walk around school in a quiet and respectful manner
5. Keep the cloakroom, classroom and shared areas neat and tidy
6. BE LINE READY:

Join the line sensibly and silently

Remain in line until you reach the destination

Quietly move around school

7. BE WORSHIP READY:

Enter worship in silence

Listen carefully

Do not distract others

8. BE LUNCHTIME READY:

Show respect in the way you talk and act

Use good table manners

9. BE LEARNING READY:

Already been to the toilet

Be in the classroom on time

Have all equipment ready and to hand

Sitting safely

Listening and following instructions

Sensible use of ICT

Follow the noise scale in class

Try your best and work hard

10. Be a good Scargill Citizen and always try your best

If there is anything in the list that you would like to talk to me about then please contact me at school.

Hopefully, this reminder of the things that they should be doing without being asked will enhance the behaviour around school and in so doing make all classrooms places where even more learning can take place in a sensible and happy atmosphere.

Roads – We have had a number of recent reports about inconsiderate parking outside school and some driving which our parents have described as dangerous and nearly resulting in a possible accident.

With even more children coming on site every day, when we include the Village Pre School, it is even more important to keep our children as safe as we can.

Please be considerate to others both parents and children at Scargill but also of our neighbours by parking in a legal and safe manner. Please do not park on the yellow zigzag lines – they are there for a reason and gives some space around school for children to enter the site safely.

I fully understand that it is often difficult to find somewhere to park if the roads are busy but I would ask you to leave a few minutes more so that the situation is made better for all. Thank you in anticipation of your help in this matter.

India fundraising – We have now started to raise money for our partner school project in India at Mahamaya. I would like to thank everyone for their kind donations so far. The Dress down Friday initiative has raised £1,525 so far and this will increase as some have decided to give weekly and some have made a one off donation.

This means that overall the school is approaching £3,600 in donations so far. We are working in close partnership with the Derby Diocese and they will be helping us to raise some money towards our eventual total of £14,000. They have an initial contribution, which means that we are almost at £6,000 already. This is great news and will mean that the building work can get started again in the near future.

Further fund raising initiatives will take place over the rest of 2018 as mentioned in previous correspondence. However, I wish to make clear that although the PTA indicated that it would perhaps do a combined event at some point during the year, normal PTA events will still take place and these will raise money for the school and will not contribute to our India fund in any way. I apologise if there was any confusion over this in previous letters.

PTA – At the last PTA meeting a number of things were discussed and decided that would make the PTA more accessible and more accountable to the parent body within the school. Firstly, they would make sure that minutes from meetings were posted on the school website shortly after the meeting has taken place. The first set are on the website for you to see. Secondly, a PTA section would form part of many of the school newsletters and these would also be posted on the website for your convenience. Thirdly, after events a short, electronic response form would be requested from parents so that the PTA would have even more information about what is going well and what could be improved. Finally, you should be aware that meetings are open to all parents and if you want your voice to be heard in meetings then please do not hesitate to join us. Meetings are usually held at the Punchbowl and you will be reminded about future meetings by text.

World Book Day

Mrs Daykin has asked me to remind you that the closing date to spend World Book Day vouchers has been extended to 31st March 2018.

Awards

Winners of the class award were Badger class in the Infants and Owl class in the Juniors. Well done also to Westwood house who have won the house cup since the last newsletter.

Class	Scargill Star winners – 9/3/18	
Dolphins	Archie	Reece
Seahorses	Una	Maia
Deer	Harry	Ben
Badgers	Maisie	Teddy
Rabbits	Harry	Finlay
Hedgehogs	Sam	Poppy
Panthers	Kizzie	Callum
Tigers	Niamh	Katy
Rhinos	Henry	Efrem
Lions	Zak	Alfie
Owls	Henry	William
Flamingos	Dalton	Annabelle
Merlins	Harley	Daniel

Diary Dates 2017/18 academic year

2017/18	INSET DAYS
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
15/3/18	EYFS trip to National Forest Adventure Farm
15/3/18	Y3/4 Production PM
16/3/18	Y3/4 Production AM
19/3/18	IOW meeting at 6.00pm
20/3/18	Y3 Cathedral event (Panther and Tigers)
20/3/18	Governors meeting – 7.15pm
21/3/18	Y1/2 Animal dress up day
22/3/18	Y3 Cathedral event (Rhinos and Lions)
22/3/18	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
16/4/18	Lea Green meeting 6.00pm
7/5/18	May Day
10/5/18	Owl Class Worship 9.15am
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
24/5/18	KS1 Food Day
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
10/7/18	Y5/6 Production at Kirk Hallam 7.00pm (please note change of date)
12/7/18	Reports out
12/7/18	Governors meeting – 7.15pm
16/7/18	Open Evening for Parents 3.30pm to 5.30pm
20/7/18	School Closes
NB Following a request from parents any changes to previous diary dates sheets will be highlighted in green	