



SCARCLIFFE
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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School Newsletter

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The busy summer term is now underway!
Please see below for the latest information
and upcoming events at Scarcliffe.

Attendance

Another strong half-term of attendance! This means children have been in school regularly, learning well and making strong progress. 

Our attendance this half term: 97.13%

National average: 94.84%

Thank you for your support, as always.

Co-curricular events

On 21st May, a team of under 9s and under 11s from Scarcliffe took part in the Redhill Academy Trust handball competition at Park Vale Academy. All of our children showed great determination and improved as the games progressed. For many of our under 9s, this was their first experience of handball! Impressively, our under 11 team went unbeaten throughout the tournament before winning a tense sudden death final against Arkwright Primary School, securing a 6–5 victory. 

Governor monitoring morning

On Tuesday 5th May, some of our school governors were invited in to school to monitor the progress we have made in relation to one of our school improvement priorities.

They focused on one of our priority areas – Enhancing the curriculum: Continue to evaluate, refine and improve our curriculum offer. They discussed our curriculum documents and plans for progression across school, visited classrooms and talked to the children about their learning.

Initially, they met with Mr Horton to explore the recent enhancements made to the curriculum completed since September.

They learnt about the way that staff have worked hard to ensure that children develop a deeper understanding and knowledge of the curriculum through clarity of substantive knowledge, disciplinary knowledge as part of their learning themes. Governors then spent time in classrooms to see this in action exploring how the children were applying and remembering their learning over time.

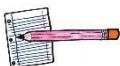
Governors commented on how children were able to explain the new concepts and explain their learning – particularly in geography and history. They saw lessons where children were applying this learning in Class 3, who were focusing on geography and Brazil, and in Class 4, who were focusing on history and crime and punishment through time.

Governors felt that children were able to talk about their learning over time and how this understanding had developed – they also discussed how teachers try to help them remember more by using “Can You Still?” activities. Children also spoke about the things they didn’t know before (but now do). For example, a child in Class 1 spoke about the dangers of the road and a child in Class 3 spoke about their understanding of lines of latitude and the Tropics of Capricorn and Cancer.

Statutory assessments

(11th – 14th May)

Huge well done to our fabulous Y6s, who have really strived to shine in their SATs tests. We are incredibly proud of all of them this week, as we have been all year. They really are a special group! Our implementation of the tests was also moderated by the local authority who commented on how brilliant the children were at checking and how calm the atmosphere was for the tests. Special thank you to all of the staff and governors who have given up their time to ensure the process has been smooth and so that our children had the opportunity to be their very best!



Cosy Castle and New KS1 Books

As you may have seen, our Cosy Castle is now up and running thanks to the hard work of Mrs Wigley and her team of librarians. The bookcase has been filled with a range of comics, magazines and annuals to entice the children into the quiet, shaded area to enjoy a book – and that's exactly what's happened! We're really pleased we've been able to provide this for the children since it was requested in the World Book Day survey from earlier this year. Further to this, thanks to your generous contributions and fundraising, we have been able to purchase around 150 new books for KS1!



Educational visits / experiences

Class 2 visited Lea Green for one night from 23rd – 24th April along with Mrs Ward, Miss Lewis-Jones and Miss Sidwell. The sun was shining and the children had a great time taking part in their stream walk, treasure hunt, climbing activities, rock scrambling before having toasted marshmallows around the campfire.

Our Y5s and Y6s visited White Hall from the 18th – 20th May. Their three days and two nights were full of fun, but also required resilience, teamwork and plenty of

determination to overcome the various challenges.

25 Years of Service!

We would also like to take this opportunity to celebrate a very special milestone. Mrs Wigley has now completed 25 years of service at Scarcliffe as a valued member of our support staff team. Over the years, she has made an enormous contribution to the school and has supported and inspired so many children. We would like to thank Mrs Wigley for her continued dedication, care and commitment to our school community.

Parent Survey Feedback

Thank you for taking the time to complete our survey this year, your feedback is incredibly helpful. A summary of the findings along with our response to the key themes is in the attached pages.

Key dates for the Summer Term

1st June: Year 4 multiplication check window opens

8th June: Phonics screening window opens

16th June: Sports day first choice

23rd June: Sports day back up day

26th June: INSET

29th June: INSET

1st July: Scarcliffe Colour Run

6th – 7th July: Class 3 Gulliver's residential

10th July – End of year reports out

14th July – Transition Day in school

14th July – Open evening to discuss reports

15th July – Class 4 ukulele concert

17th July – Y6 Bikeability

20th July: Dojo treat day

22nd July: Y6 Leavers' Night @ Scarcliffe

23rd July: Last day of term and dress down Thursday