



SPARKEN HILL Newsletter



22.09.2026

Key Stage News

Foundation Stage are settling into Big School life and really enjoying making new friends as well as being back with old ones! We have all been busy painting self-portraits...take a peak inside the classrooms and you'll see them!

Key Stage 1 have been busy learning all about the Great Fire of London. Pupils have enjoyed visiting our school time-line and finding this historic event, as well as exploring where and why it happened! Our reading target, for the KS1 reading reward, is 45 this term! Please help your child to attend by reading regularly with them at home and recording each day of reading in their journals.

Please can any outstanding payments for the Cadbury World Trip be made on Arbor as soon as possible. Thank you.

In history UKS2 have been looking at why mining occurred in Worksop and the surrounding areas. They have been learning the skill of using 4 and 6 figure references to locate collieries of the Nottinghamshire coalfield.

SCHOOL DINNERS

Please ensure you keep your child(s) dinner account in credit prior to them having a school dinner.

Payments need to be made via the Arbor app.

Meals are priced at £2.95 per day unless in receipt of Free School Meals.

EVENTS

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Thursday 1st October at 9.15am for Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 only.

This year we are collecting for Bassetlaw Food Bank in Worksop.

Community Team

Our next parent/carer coffee morning is taking place on Tuesday 6th October. All welcome!



MAGIC MENTIONS



Thomas J

Kajus V, Rio-Autumn, Zack G, John-Ryan and Katalayah D

Carter A, Alexander B and Joshua J

Jenson R, Violet T and Jacob T

SWIMMING ACHIEVEMENTS

Well done to the children below who have recently achieved the following swimming certificates!

5M

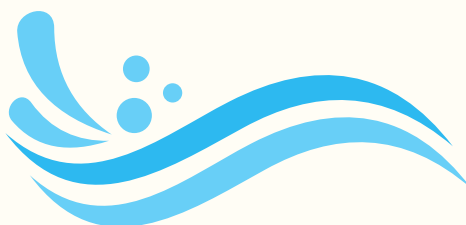
Ronny-Thomas W and Dolcie Mue O

10M

Harris R and Lottie Rose B

25M

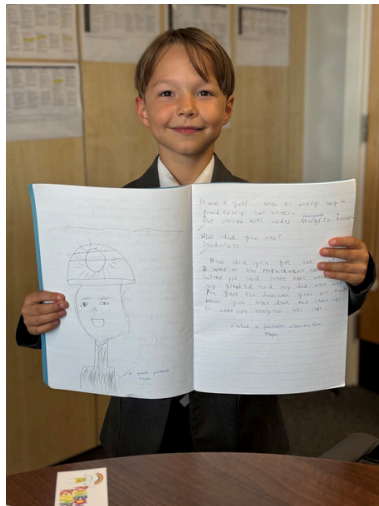
Stevan M-S, Rocco C, Joanna D and Luca H



SHOUT OUTS!



Well done to T.J from Foundation – not only has he read his book 'How To Make a Maracca' he has also made his own! It looked and sounded amazing. This recieved Mr. Lilley's first Rainbow Reward of the school year!



This has to be read to be appreciated! As part of his Y56 topic on "mining", F.A conducted an interview with his Grandad who worked at Shireoaks Colliery and provided superb first hand experiences of what it was like to work in this industry.

F.A's work also explains the impact of the Miners Strikes in the 80s. It is a SUPERB piece of homework and an easy Rainbow Reward!

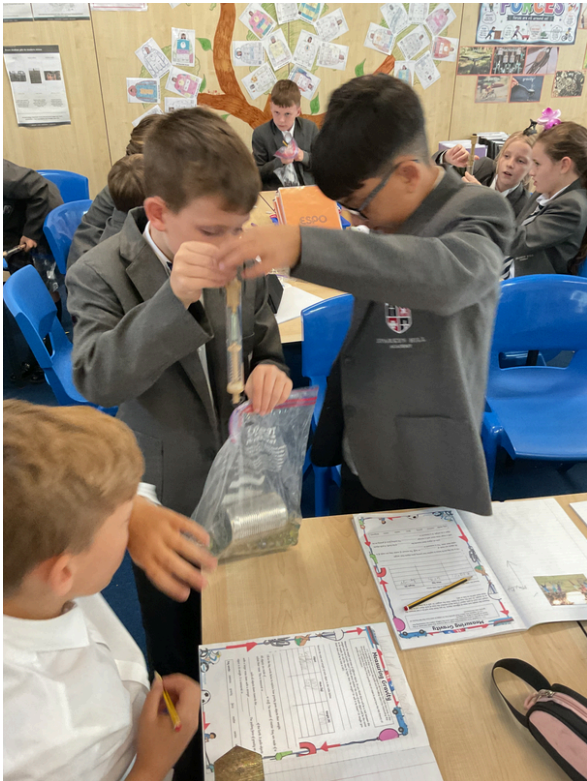
Well done to M.L with her AMAZING working model of a coal mine! Look carefully – you can see SO many details on this model. Utterly superb homework!



UPPER KEY STAGE 2



Last week we conducted an investigation into mass and the effects of gravity.



PE NEWS



Here are some photos from the recent football match against Redlands a few weeks ago. Well done to everyone who took part!





Food Donations:

Can you help with any of the following for our Harvest Festival?

All donations will go to the Bassetlaw Food Bank

Tinned vegetables

Tinned Fruit

Tinned hot meals (stewing steak, chilli meatballs etc)

Soup

Washing up liquid & sponges

Cooking sauces

Instant noodles

Tins/jars of rice pudding, custard, jam

Toilet rolls

toiletries such as shampoo, conditioner, deodorant,

toothpaste, soap

Laundry tablets

Long life milk



Supporting Parents, **BUILDING FUTURES**

We're here to help you take the next step
towards work, training or a new future.



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**Because when parents thrive,
families thrive.**

WE CAN SUPPORT YOU WITH:



CV WRITING SUPPORT

Stand out with a CV that
showcases your strengths.



JOB INTERVIEW HELP

Build confidence and feel
prepared for success.



TRAINING & COURSES

Explore learning opportunities
to gain new skills.



ONE-TO-ONE GUIDANCE

Personalised support to help
you reach your goals.



JOIN US DURING OUR PARENT COFFEE MORNINGS FROM SEPTEMBER

Come along for a friendly chat, useful advice and
help taking steps towards your future. 

YOU'RE NOT ALONE – WE'RE HERE FOR YOU!



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FOR MORE INFORMATION





SPARKEN HILL
— ACADEMY —

YOUR COMMUNITY TEAM



Here to support you, your family & your wellbeing

We know that family life can be busy and challenging at times.
Our friendly Community Team is here to **listen, support and help**
parents and carers access the right advice and services.

*No issue is
too small!*

WE CAN HELP WITH:



Behaviour support and strategies

Practical advice and support for children
at home and school.



Children's emotional wellbeing

Support to help children feel happy, confident
and ready to learn.



Adult emotional wellbeing and support

Looking after you, so you can look after
your family.



Job searching, CVs & training opportunities

Support to help you take the next step.



Coffee mornings & opportunities to connect

Meet other parents and build your community
in a friendly, relaxed space.



Budgeting, money & financial support

Advice and guidance to help you manage
your money with confidence.



Supporting with attendance – breaking down any barriers and helping you to get your child to school

We are here to support you every step of the way.

Whether you need practical advice,
someone to talk to, or simply
aren't sure where to start –
come and speak to us.



**YOU DON'T HAVE TO
FACE THINGS ALONE.**

**Our Community Team
is here for you.**



Come and talk to a member of the team or ask at the school office
to find out how we can support you. ❤️