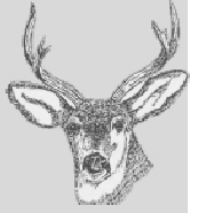


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EMBRACE CHALLENGE!

SOUTH DARLEY C.E.
PRIMARY SCHOOL



Celebrating Our Week

Friday 19th September 2025

Infants looking back at last week

We read David McKee's 'Oscar Got The Blame' and used it to write our own stories about an imaginary friend. We continued with our number work, counting on and back and partitioning numbers in different ways. We learnt about programming and used Scratch to explore ways to make changes and movements of the character on screen. Reception enjoyed the story "Handa's Surprise" and used Google Earth to see where Africa is in the world before tasting a variety of fruit. They had fun acting out the story by using animal masks that they so cleverly made. In Maths they counted to ten and had fun putting cars down a car ramp to match a given number. They formed numbers to ten using paint, sand, chalk and pen and sung lots of number rhymes.

Juniors looking back at last week

Juniors explored the inventions which caused so many changes during the Industrial Revolution, finding out about items such as the Spinning Jenny and Cotton Gin! Y5/6 learnt about gravity and found the weight of items in Newtons and the mass of items in grams before comparing them. They used Crossy Roads to explore coding ready to create their own version. Y3/4 looked at several characters in 'Street Child' and continued to develop their place value knowledge in Maths – they made a huge tower out of base ten cubes with a value of over 16,000! Everyone had their first swimming and violin lessons (without instruments yet) of the year.

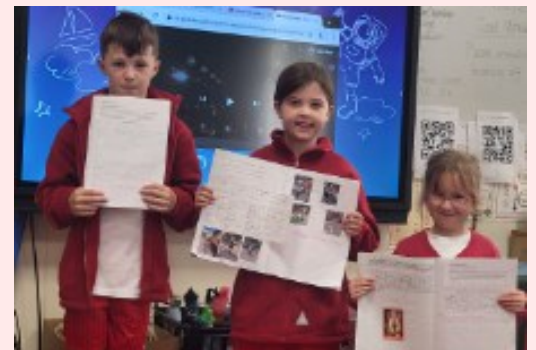
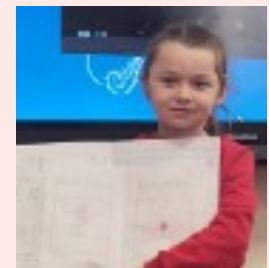
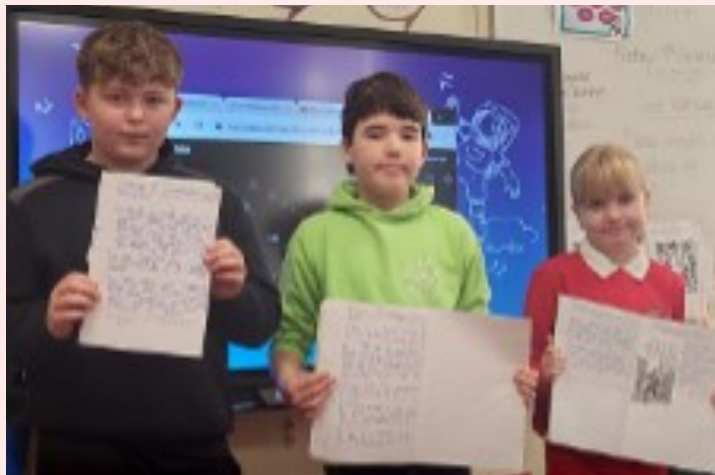
Infants Looking forward to next week

We will do more observations of the weather, paying particular attention to the wind and how useful it is in creating natural power. We will create our own windsocks and spinners to identify wind strength and direction. We will start to look at signs, labels and captions and think about the information they give us. Reception will read "Little Rabbit Foo Foo" before acting out the story using props and looking at magical spells!

Juniors looking forward to next week

Juniors will create an Industrial Revolution skyline for their topic book covers and will finish looking at inventions. Y5/6 will begin to plan an experiment involving air resistance and will write a first person account of having to go to the workhouse. Y5/6 will walk to Ivonbrook Care Home on Tuesday to take part in an intergenerational baking session whilst Y3/4 will write dialogue between characters in Literacy and will position numbers on number lines in Maths.

Best work of the week was awarded to George SG, Walter, Ralph, Stevie, Nicholas, Poppy, Beshlie and Olivia



House Points

Haddon—48

Riber— 68

Chatsworth — 62

House Points Prize winner—
Rosa M & George S

PE Stars of the Week

Alice &
Walter

Poppy &
Joshua

PE at school



Football League Match Team



What's on next week

Mon 22nd	
Tues 23rd	Y5/6 to Ivonbrook Care Home 2pm—3pm for intergenerational baking session. No after school club tonight due to staff training.
Weds 24th	Juniors Swimming. No jewellery, please tie back long hair and remember a swim hat. Little Darlings Toddler Group 10.30am—12 noon. All welcome to attend.
Thurs 25th	Football league match at Darley Churchtown. 3.30pm—4.30pm. Parental help with transport required please. Please collect children promptly at the end of the match. Highfields School Lumsdale Open Evening 6.15pm
Fri 26th	PE on the school playground. Full PE Kit please—white T shirt, red school jumper, red shadow stripe shorts or grey or black joggers in colder weather. Trainers suitable for PE. No leggings. No jewellery (including earrings) and please tie back long hair). Please bring bookbags when PE is at school. Juniors individual and class music lessons. Y6 Forest School. Long sleeved tops and trousers, suitable outerwear for the weather on the day and outdoor boots please.

Reminder: Y5/6 pupils. Please log into Parentpay to see details of juniors trip to Cromford. Please ensure consents are completed by Friday 26th September 2025.

Reminder: All parents: Please ensure you have activated your Parentpay account to receive letters, important circulars and information from the school. Please ask in the school office if you need a reminder of your initial access code.

Information: Academic School Year Calendar now populated on the school website. Please visit www.southdarley.derbyshire.sch.uk

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