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ENJOY LEARNING:  
EMBRACE CHALLENGE!

SOUTH DARLEY C.E.  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



## Celebrating Our Week

Friday 24th October 2025

### Infants looking back at last week

We enjoyed sharing the story of Croc and Bird, identified what made it a 'fantasy' story and thought of other fantasy stories we knew. We reflected on the story's theme of friendship and thought about what other unlikely pairs of animal friends might teach each other to do. We elected our school councillors for the academic year and were proud of our spelling bee participants. Reception thought of things they like or like to do. They made a lovely "I Like" book with lovely writing and drawings. In Maths they counted Autumn objects, making number sentences by adding objects together.

### Juniors looking back at last week

Juniors looked back on their trip to Cromford and pictures of the things they saw and learnt about. Their knowledge was excellent and they were able to write lots of great information to go with the pictures. Y5/6 were busy writing newspaper reports about the escape of Jim Jarvis from the workhouse and used some great journalistic vocabulary. Y3/4 wrote a letter to Richard Arkwright, telling him about the conditions in his mill, and plotted Jim Jarvis's escape from the workhouse. They have been learning column addition in Maths.

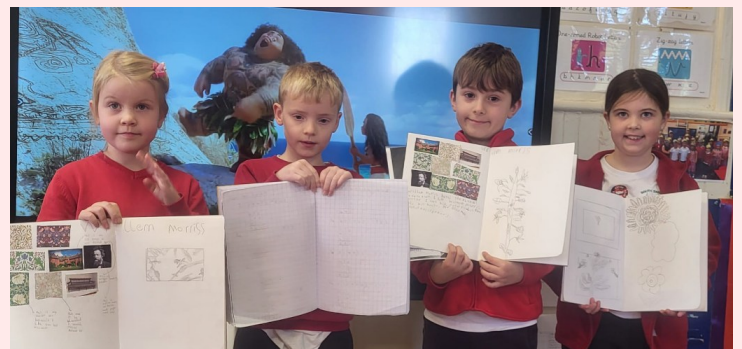
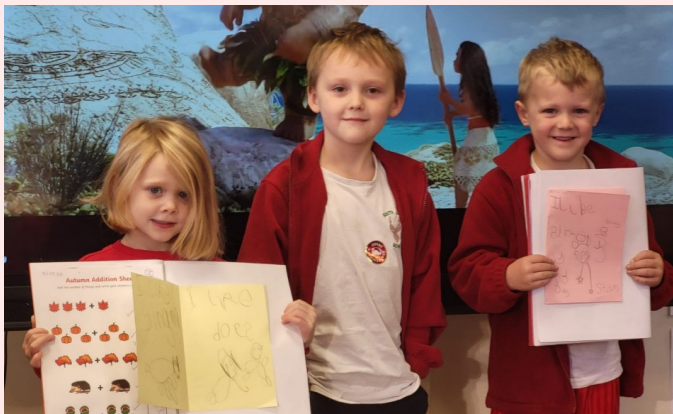
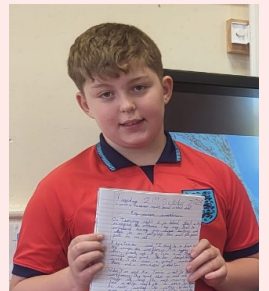
### Infants Looking forward to next week

We will compare the lives of Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth II, start our 'Brilliant Builders' science unit and bake some delicious parkin ready for bonfire night. Reception will find out about Fiction and Non-fiction by sorting a variety of books. Their book will be a Non-fiction book about a farm. They will learn lots about life on a farm and make their own farm book. In Maths they will measure objects to find longer and shorter and will learn how to measure using a ruler.

### Juniors looking forward to next week

After the half term break juniors will be finding out more about the other mills in the Derwent Valley and what they produced there; they will then add this information to a map. Y5/6 will be looking at the poem 'The Kracken' and writing about a sea creature of their own. Both Y5 and Y6 are starting new topics in maths – Y5 multiplication and division and Y6 fractions. Y3 and Y4 will move onto subtraction in their maths and will be reporting on Jim Jarvis's escape in their literacy.

**Best work of the week was awarded to** George SG, Leo, Alfie, Libby, Alice, George S, Olivia, Stanley, William H, Ava and Isabella



## House Points

Haddon— 44

Riber— 63

Chatsworth — 101

House Points Prize winners—  
Isabela MG & Margot

## PE Stars of the Week

Arnie &  
Ralph

Anna &  
Flo

Well done to our cross country team for trying their very hardest this week. Pictured below—the team



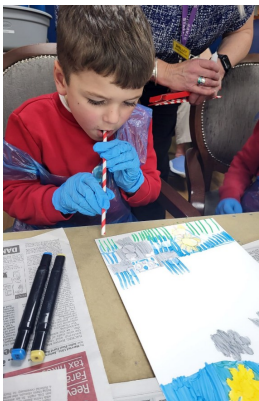
## What's on next week

Mon 3rd	First day of Term 2 2025. Juniors individual music lessons. Y6 Bikeability PM. Please bring bikes and properly fitted helmets. Wear clothes that are comfortable and safe to cycle in.
Tues 4th	Small school soccer competition. 3.30pm—5.30pm. Highfields Lumsdale. Parental assistance with transport to the event required. Please collect pupils from Highfields Lumsdale at the end of the event. After school club pupils will be brought back to school. Please see letter for list of participants and more information.
Wed 5th	Little Darlings Toddler Play and Stay Group 10.30am—12 noon. Girls soccer competition 3.30pm—5.30pm. Parental help with transport required please. Parental assistance with transport to the event required. Please collect pupils from Highfields Lumsdale at end of the event. After school club pupils will be brought back to school. Please see letter for list of participants and more information. Juniors Swimming lessons 10.30am—12 noon. Please ensure full swim kit including swim hats are brought in. Long hair to be tied back and jewellery removed please.
Thurs 6th	FOSDS Cake Sale at 3.30pm. Please bring cake donations to the office in the morning. Don't forget your ££££ when collecting children.
Fri 7th	Celebration Assembly in St Mary's Church. 9.10am. All welcome. 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 class music lessons AM. Y5 Forest School PM. Long sleeved tops and trousers, suitable outerwear for the weather on the day and outdoor boots please.

**Reminder: Y5 Parents:** Please complete your forest schools consent form by Monday 3rd November 2025. Link. <https://forms.office.com/e/z5weAT1KH9>

**Reminder: All Parents:** Flu Immunisation consents are due by **28.10.25**. A response is required from **ALL** parents. <https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/c1049f62>

## Infants taking part in intergenerational work at Ivonbrook Care Home



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