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The St Mary's CE Academy School Newsletter

10th October 2025

“ Rise up, take courage and do it ”

Ezra 10:4



Dear Parents and Carers,

Lots of exciting learning has been taking place again this week. Madam Roux organised a great orienteering activity for Year 4, 5 and 6 and all of the children seemed to really enjoy it. Lots of great work happened and there were some very fast times recorded!

Lots of children are also achieving their 100% times table badges for their work on Reflex. So many children are close to!!! Keep practising them. If your child is in Y2 they need to know their X2 X5 X10. If they are in Year 3 they need to know all of the facts from Y2 and also X3 X6 X4 X8. Year 4, 5 and 6 need to know all of them. Multiplications are really the root of everything and if you can help your child learn these facts - that helps them so much.

Happy weekend!

Mrs Burgess x



Dates for your Diary

20th October Y4 trip to y4 Jorvik

21st October - Parent Evening

22nd October - Parent Evening

22nd October - Photographs - individual/sibling groups from 8.15 a.m.

12th Nov Y3 Grimm & Co

13th Nov Y5 Magna

9th Dec FS2, Y1 and Y2 Theatre trip

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Year 1

TOUCHING, OBSERVING AND DESCRIBING MATERIALS

We're excited to share some fantastic news from our Year 1 classroom – the children have been having a brilliant time exploring the properties of materials in our recent science lessons!

Over the past few weeks, Year 1 have become little scientists, investigating a wide range of everyday materials.

From wood and metal to plastic and fabric, the children have been busy touching, observing, and describing different items based on their properties – such as whether they are hard or soft, bendy or rigid, rough or smooth, and even whether they float!

Well done, Y1!



Foundation

**SUPER
HERO**

Topic

The children in Foundation Stage have thoroughly enjoyed the start of our 'Superheroes' topic.

They have been rescuing the peas using their fine motor skills, creating 'wanted' posters and playing in our 'Secret Hideout'.

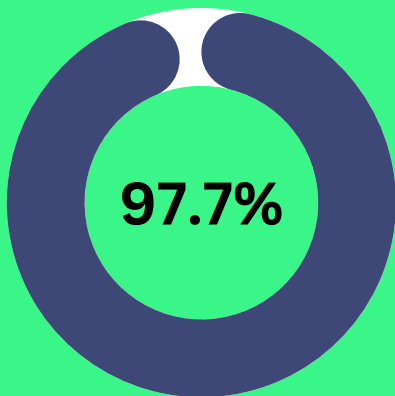


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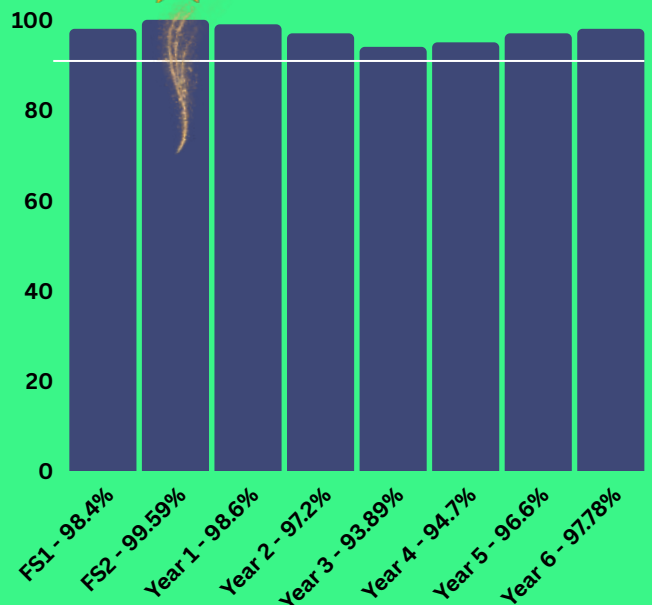


WELL DONE FS2



Our whole school attendance for the week 96.76%

All classes that achieved 97% and above will get an extra 10 minute break.



FS2 are class winners this week with 99.59%!

AMAZING! WELL DONE!



Working together

Y6 have been working with Y3 for their DT project.

Y3 have created designs that Y6 will be making.

They will interview the Y3 children to fully understand the designs they have created.

This week they thought about what questions to ask in their interviews.



Year 5

Mummifying Oranges in Year 5!

On Wednesday afternoon, the Year 5 children had a fantastic time mummifying oranges! This fascinating process actually began back in July, when we first covered the “body of the deceased” in natron—a type of salt from the River Nile—to dry it out.

This week, we continued our journey into Ancient Egypt by creating Egyptian amulets, each with its own special protective purpose, and carefully placing them within the layers of bandages as we wrapped our mummies. While we worked, our very own Egyptian shaman, Odin, recited prayers from the Book of the Dead to help guide the deceased safely through the underworld.

We finished by placing our mummies in beautifully crafted sarcophagi, which we’ll soon decorate with elaborate hieroglyphics.



Parents and carers are warmly invited to visit our Egyptian Tombs in the Year 5 classroom on:

🌤 Thursday 23rd October (3:00–3:30pm)

🌞 Friday 24th October (8:30–9:00am)

Come and see our ancient wonders brought back to life!