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## The St Mary's CE Academy School Newsletter

19th September 2025

**“ Rise up, take courage and do it ”**

Ezra 10:4



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much for supporting the book fair - it was really well supported. An enormous £450 pounds was raised by all of you who supported this fabulous event. This money will be spent on even more books for school.

Some children have been working on the road safety around school.

Thank you to all of you for parking in safer positions near school and a big thank you to the children who have volunteered for this project and are busy working with the traffic officers in a morning and after school. You are making a difference!

Please remember we are a nut free school. If you send your child with packed lunches please make sure they do not have anything containing nuts. We have several children in school with a significant nut allergy.

Happy weekend, Mrs Burgess x



## Dates for your Diary

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October** - SEN coffee p.m. with Katie Hancock

**1<sup>st</sup> October** y2 trip to Conisborough Castle

**20th October** Y4 trip to y4 Jorvik

**21st October** - Parent Evening

**22<sup>nd</sup> October** - Parent Evening

**12<sup>th</sup> Nov** Y3 Grimm & Co

**13<sup>th</sup> Nov** Y5 Magna

**9<sup>th</sup> Dec** FS2, Y1 and Y2 Theatre trip

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Year 2

# Building skills in place value

Year 2 showed some fantastic knowledge of place value this week by building numbers using tens and ones, really showing how confident they are becoming with this important maths skill.

They used a range of manipulatives, such as dienes and counters, to explore the many ways numbers can be made and represented and enjoyed sharing their ideas with each other.

Well done, Year 2, for working so hard and showing such enthusiasm!



## Nursery & Reception

# Exploring and settling in!

The children in Nursery and Reception are settling in really well.

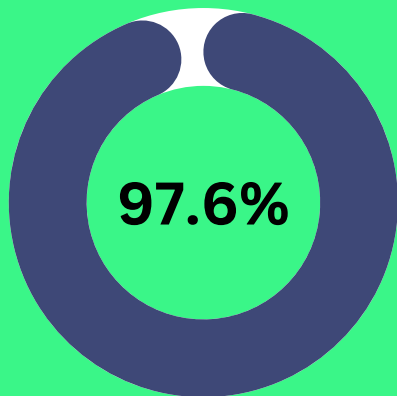
They are enjoying building relationships and exploring our classroom.

The children have been really busy taking part in different activities such as painting and building.

We are really proud of them!



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS



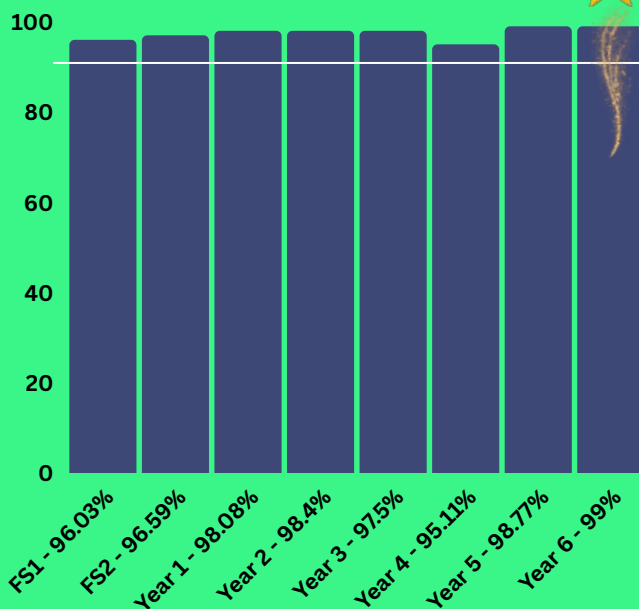
Our whole school attendance for the week 97.62%

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

Y5 are class winners this week with 99%!

WELL DONE!

WELL DONE Y6





Year 3

# Our new science unit- Rocks

Year 3 are enjoying their new science unit, rocks.

This week, we investigated the hardness of rocks by conducting a scratching test and observing the changes to the rock.

We discussed how to make it a fair test and the children made some great observations and conclusions!





Year 6

# The National Holocaust Centre.

Y6 had such an informative day at the National Holocaust Centre.

They followed Leo's journey and learned about what life was like for him and others Jews living in Berlin in 1938.

They experienced his living room, his classroom, his family's shop and a German Street during Kristallnacht and what it would be like on the Kinder transport.

They even got to look at artefacts from children who escaped to England from Prague during that time.

The children were so respectful and were praised for their excellent behaviour.

**Well done, Y6.**







# Big smiles and lots of energy - Year 1 PE

**We just wanted to share how brilliant Year 1 have been in PE this term!**

They've had so much fun learning the fundamentals of movement – things like running, jumping, balancing, and moving safely in space.

The children have really thrown themselves into every activity with big smiles and lots of energy. We've seen huge improvements in their coordination, confidence, and teamwork – and most importantly, they've had a blast doing it!

It's been lovely to watch them cheer each other on, take turns, and celebrate their achievements together. We're so proud of how hard they've worked and how much progress they've made already.

We can't wait to build on these skills next term with even more exciting games and challenges!





Year 4



# Different types of teeth and their functions



In Year 4's science lesson on the human digestive system, pupils explored different types of teeth and their functions.

They examined their own and each other's teeth, identifying incisors, canines, and molars.

By trying various foods, they discovered how each tooth type helps with biting, tearing, and grinding during ingestion.

