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## The St Mary's CE Academy School Newsletter

23rd July 2024

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

Ezra 10:4

Dear Parents and Carers,



Last week we saw an amazing production from Y6 . Their sense of teamwork and singing was just out of this world. A huge thank you to Mrs. Binney and Mrs. Greig for making this happen and to all of you who attended the shows. They were fabulous and I'm sure made you feel very proud.

Check out the attendance section - five classes are 96% or above and have a bonus playtime!

Have a great summer holiday. We look forward to seeing all the children back at school at 8.40 a.m. on Thursday 5th September.



Mrs Burgess x

## Autumn Dates to Save...



**Thursday 5th September -**  
Return to school for the children

**Monday 9th September -**  
**History Experience Day** - children to dress up please if they would like to

**Monday 30th September -**  
Harvest Festival - St Mary's Church from 9.15 - all families/friends welcome  
(refreshments available from 9.00am)

**INSET DAYS** - school closed to children: Friday October 25th and Monday November 4th

**Saturday 14th December -**  
Christmas celebration at St. Mary's Church - details to follow



Year 1

# Bringing it all together!



This week, we had our final lesson with the PE coach.

We created a sequence including a starting position, a balance, a jump, a roll, a movement and an ending position. We have thoroughly enjoyed our sessions with the coach. **Thank you Faye!**

## Reception

In maths this week we have been problem solving and exploring numbers.

The children were challenged to find how many addition facts they could find from rolling two dice.



## Exploring Numbers

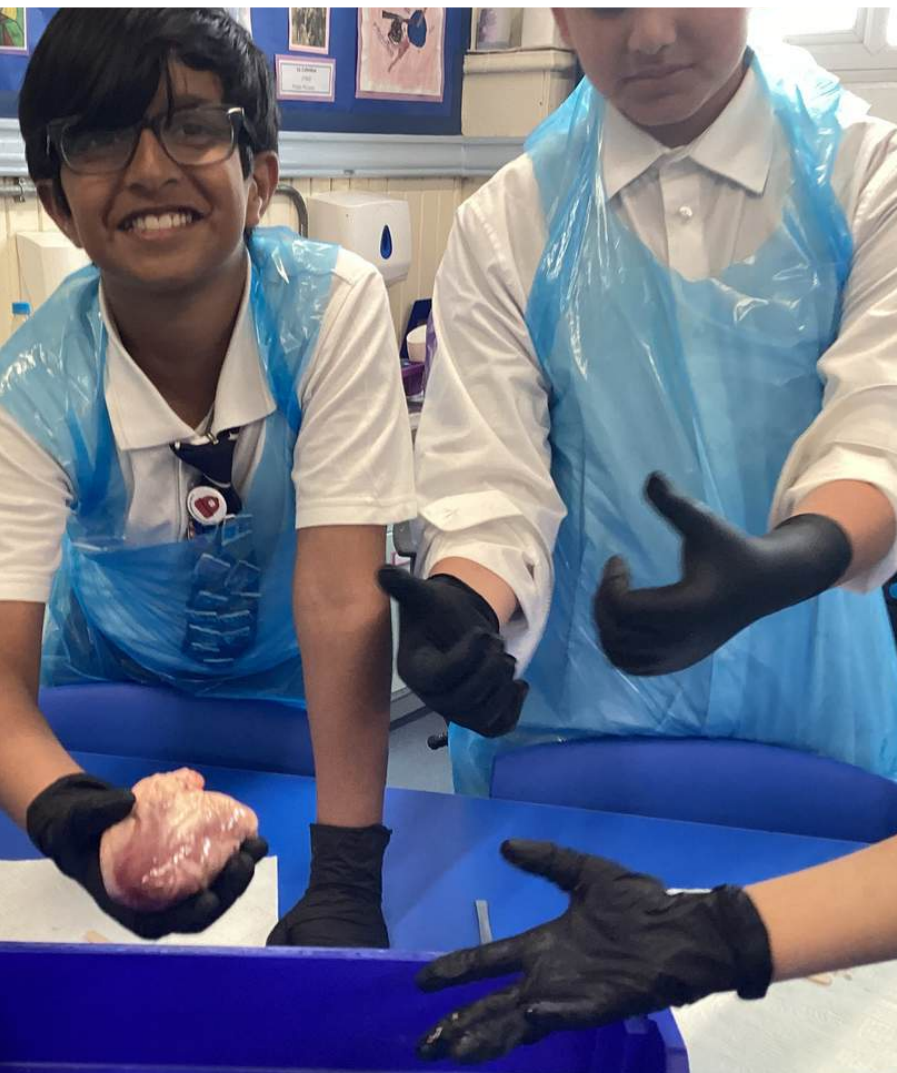




Year 6

# The Circulatory system

Y6 have been revisiting their learning on the circulatory system this week by dissecting hearts.





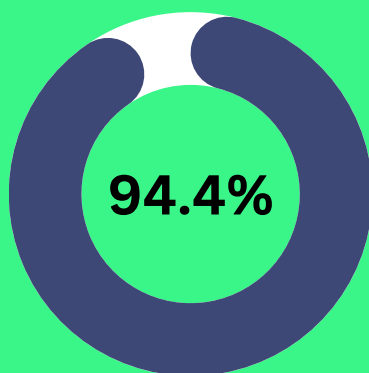
Year 5

# A Spectacular Show



Year 5 put on a spectacular show at the end of year cornet concert. There was some beautiful singing and some even better playing. Well done everyone!

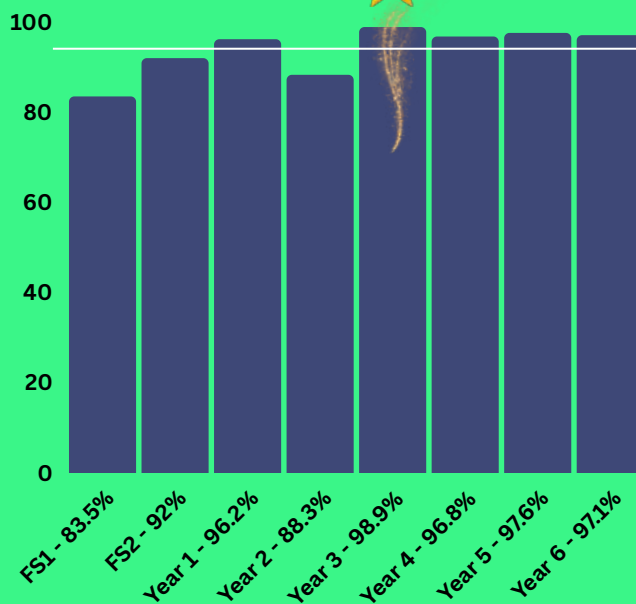
## ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Our whole school reporting attendance for this week (08 - 12 July) is sadly at 94.4%. However, our winning classes this week are: Reception, Year 1, Year 4 with over 96% and get an extra 10 minute play time.

**Year 3** are our class winners for a second week running! They have an extra break and can also choose an extra 10 minute attendance treat - iPad time, class game etc...  
**WOW! WELL DONE!**

### WELL DONE YEAR 3



## Staffing Updates:

### School Office:

As from September, Mrs. Rachel Hutchinson will work in the office for one day - on Wednesday. Miss Molly McMahon will be in the school office every day to answer any of your questions.

### New Teaching Assistant:

Mrs. Gregory will start to work as a teaching assistant in school.

### Best Wishes and thanks to:

Mrs Fox who as you know, retires today.

*Best Wishes*

### Breakfast and After-School Club:

In the very capable hands of Miss Waller, Miss Fox, Mr. Webb, Miss Jacobs and Mrs. Tweddle, this will continue to thrive!





Year 3

# BUILDING BRIDGES

This week, Y3 have been investigating structures in DT.

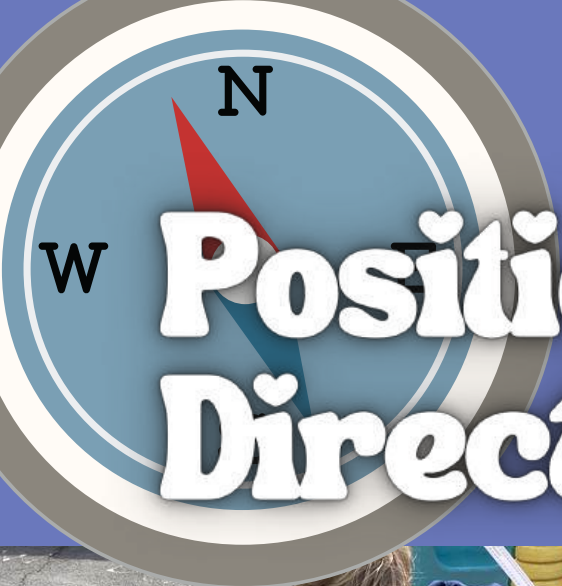
The children were challenged to create a strong bridge that could hold as much weight as possible.

Year 3 used their knowledge of bridges to design and make their own successful structures. We were amazed at how much weight they could hold!

Well done, Year 3!







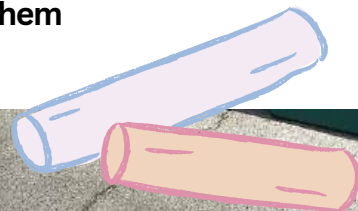
Year 4

# Position and Direction Lesson



Year Four were using compasses, protractors and measuring sticks in a position and direction maths lesson this week.

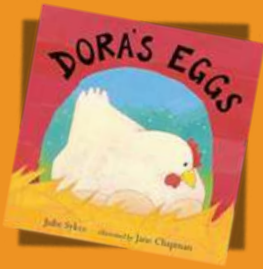
**There was more chalk on them than the playground!**





# Favourite Farm Animals

This week nursery have been painting their favourite farm animals, after continuing reading 'Dora's Eggs'.



Nursery

## LET'S GET

# SCOOTERING

Year 2

**Y2 had a brilliant time this week.**

We worked on our gross motor by scooting around the playground and showing off our excellent skills. The session was run by Rosie, from Modeshift Stars, and the focus of the session was on scooting to school safely.

**Keep your eyes peeled incase you see us on them in Walkley!**







# THE CU FESTIVAL OF FUN IS GO!

Sheffield's Children's University are super excited to announce that their programme of FREE taster activities is now LIVE and bookings are OPEN!

Returning for our special 10th year anniversary, the CU Festival of Fun promises to be the best one yet, and there's plenty to try right across the summer holidays...

📅 44 sessions

🕒 72 hours of FREE activity

👥 820 places available

🎨 Art

🔬 Science

💃 Dance

🎭 Drama

🎮 Gaming and LEGO

🏃 Sport

🤹 Circus skills

📖 Study Support

🌳 Environment

🚑 First Aid

🚒 Fire Station visits



CLICK HERE



The activities are located right across the city, so there should be something close to everyone!

Some activities book up really quickly, while others don't need to be booked in advance - just turn up!

For more info on each activity visit [www.welcometosheffield.co.uk/FestivalofFun](http://www.welcometosheffield.co.uk/FestivalofFun)

Remember, to take part, children and young people must...

☑ Currently attend a Sheffield school (comes under Sheffield City Council)

☑ Have a CU Passport to Learning (these can be bought for £3.50 from any Sheffield Library and this will also give them access to collect CU credits after the CU Festival of Fun has ended. They'll need one to book their activities, so encourage them to pop along to their nearest library today.

**Here's to a fabulous summer with CU Festival of Fun!**



# Learn Sheffield Opportunities

## - Summer Holidays



**WORTH A LOOK?**

Learn Sheffield

Learn Sheffield's summer holiday edition is made up of activities for children and parents for the summer break.

It has a number of free events, group discounts or local/ national initiatives that are being offered to Sheffield.

Feel free to take a look and see if there is anything of interest.

CLICK  
HERE!

### PRE-LOVED

## SCHOOL UNIFORM SALE

If you didn't manage to get to the uniform sale - don't worry. We've still got plenty of good quality second-hand school uniform, particularly for younger children. Please speak to Madame Roux, Mrs Twedde or the school office.

More links can be found about the uniform, and where to buy, from our website.

Click Here!





An exciting message from Mrs Mellow:  
We're having a

HISTORY

Experience Day  
Monday 9th September

Just letting you know in advance that we are holding a History Experience Day on Monday 9th September 2024 for everyone in school.

Each class will have a History focus and we would love your children to dress up as someone from this time period. This will make it more memorable and enjoyable for us all. **Staff will all be dressing up too!**

This is what you are learning about on your 'History Day':



Y1 - Fossils and a lady called, Mary Anning



Y3 - The Stone Age



Y5 - The Egyptians



Y2 - Castles



Y4 - The Vikings



Y6 - The Victorians