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The St Mary's CE Academy School Newsletter

24th October 2025

“ Rise up, take courage and do it ”

Ezra 10:4



Dear Parents and Carers,

It's hard to believe we've already reached the end of our first half term! Time really has flown by! School has been full of laughter, learning and a lovely buzz of activity. The children have thrown themselves into every opportunity, showing curiosity, kindness and great determination along the way.

Our attendance continues to be brilliant, and it's wonderful to see so many children in school each day, ready to give their best. Thank you for helping to make that happen and for all the support you give from home, it really does mean a lot.

I hope you all enjoy a well-earned rest over the October Half Term. Have fun, stay safe and make some special memories. We're already looking forward to welcoming everyone back and seeing what the next half term brings!

Mrs Burgess x



Dates for your Diary

12th Nov Y3 Grimm & Co

13th Nov Y5 Magna

9th Dec FS2, Y1 and Y2 Theatre trip

Return to school **Tuesday 4th November 2025**





Foundation

Developing fine motor skills

This week in Foundation Stage, the children have been developing their fine motor skills.

They have used counters to place on the superheroes and have rescued the evil peas from the jelly.

The children in Reception have been practising forming letters.

We are really proud.

Well done!



Congratulations



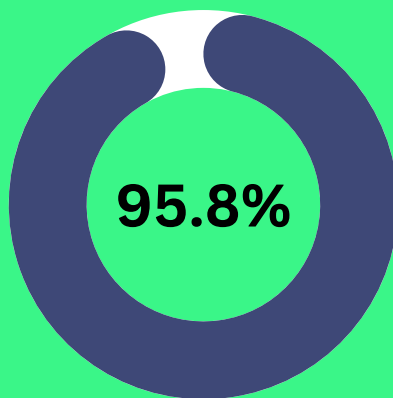
Congratulations to the Y5/6 girls' football team who finished second in their league.

Some great playing and teamwork!

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



WELL DONE YEAR 2

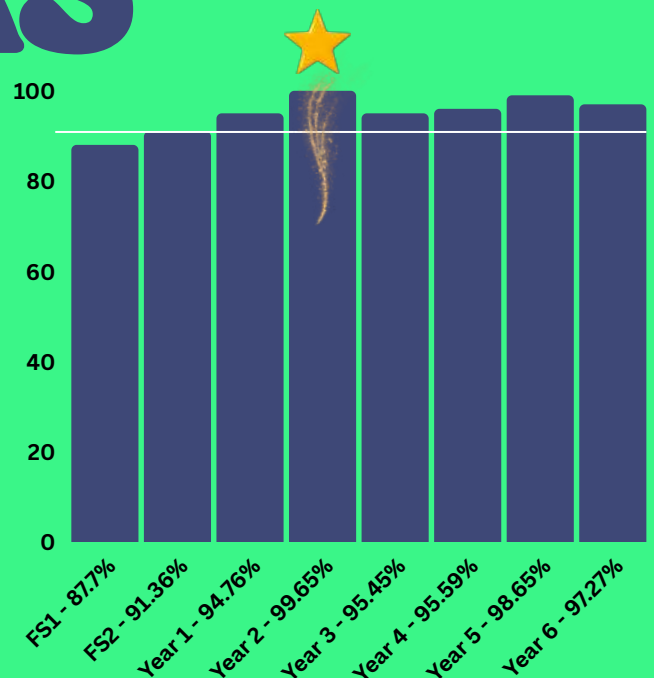


Our whole school attendance for the week 96.79%

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

Year 2 are class winners this week with 99.65%!

AMAZING! WELL DONE!





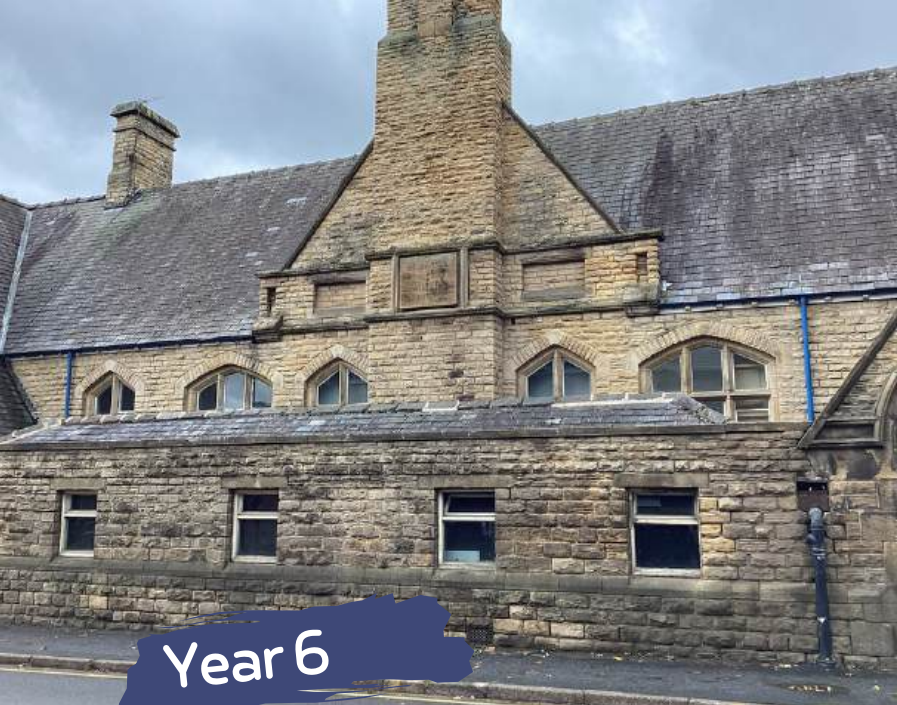
Year 1

A fantastic Fab Finisher

Y1 had a fantastic time at their Fab Finisher!

Thank you so much to everyone that attended!

We look forward to sharing more with you next time!

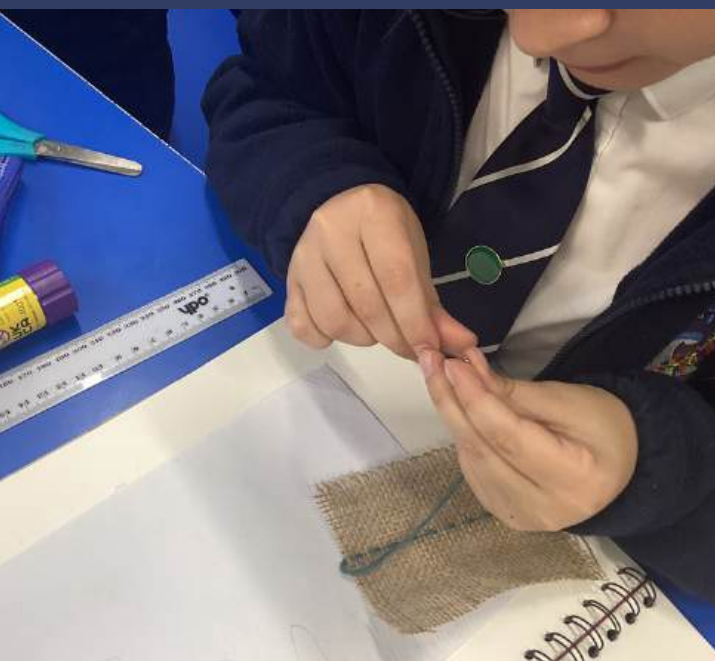
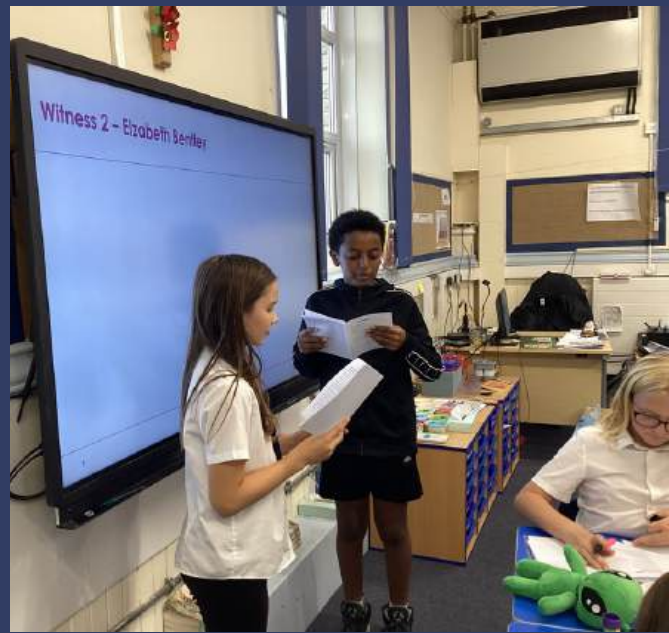


Year 6

STEPPING BACK INTO HISTORY

Y6 have had another busy week. In history, we visited where St Mary's used to be on South Road. We also looked into what life was like for children working in the factories in Sheffield.

We continued building skills in DT by revisiting running and back stitch and started to use these when joining two pieces of fabric.





Eco Club

A great time in the garden

Many thanks to Maddy from the charity Foodworks for bringing lots of fresh plants to school.

Eco-club had a great time smelling and tasting some of the seedlings before planting them out in the school garden.





Year 4

An exciting trip to the Jorvik Viking Centre

Year 4 had an exciting trip to the Jorvik Viking Centre in York this week. The children enjoyed a thrilling ride through 960 AD, meeting Viking life up close.

They also marvelled at 1000-year-old artefacts and even took part in a fun Viking battle tactics workshop!



Year 5

Step back in time! fab finisher

Step back in time with our Y5 Egyptian explorers this week! Our classroom transformed into a bustling ancient museum where young archaeologists mummified oranges and crafted incredible artifacts showcasing Egyptian innovations. From calendars that tracked the Nile's flooding to miniature sphinx guardians and pyramid wonders, our students' creativity was absolutely phenomenal!

The highlight was watching our little historians transform into professional tour guides, leading grown-ups through their exhibition with impressive historical knowledge and confidence. The look of amazement on parents' faces said it all! Our time-traveling adventurers certainly made the ancient world come alive - who knew learning about history could be this exciting?