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The St Mary's CE Academy School Newsletter

18th September 2026

“Rise up, take courage and do it”

Ezra 10:4

Dear Parents and Carers,



A huge thank you to all the children who dressed up for **History Day** - the costumes have been absolutely wonderful! Thank you also to **Mrs Mellow** for planning our History curriculum and making learning so enjoyable for the children and to all our families for supporting the day so brilliantly.

LONDON: On Tuesday, Mrs Binney has organised a fantastic trip to London for **Y4, Y5 and Y6**. Mr Webb will open school from **5.45am** so children can use the toilets, register and get ready for the coach.

Children who are not going to London should **attend school as normal**. Mrs Binney will keep families updated about the return journey and arrival back at school.

BOOK FAIR: Our Book Fair is here **Tuesday to Thursday next week**, after school! It's a great opportunity to discover some fantastic new books while also raising valuable funds for books and resources for school.

EYFS & KS1: from 3pm

KS2: from 3.15pm

CARD PAYMENTS ONLY

Please come along, have a browse and help us share our love of reading. A huge thank you to **Miss Esmes** for organising it — your support really does make a difference.

Mrs Burgess x



Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 22nd Sept - London trip for y4, 5 and 6

Tues 22nd to Thurs 24th Sept - Scholastic Book Fair

Thursday 1st October - Natural History Museum

Monday 5th Harvest - Please join if you can from 9.00 a.m. for refreshments.

Friday 16th October - INSET day - school closed for all children.

Friday 23rd October - Break up for half-term. Return on Mon November 22nd

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Year 3

Our first tag rugby session was a big success!

Year 3 really enjoyed their first tag rugby session with the coach.

They showed great listening and teamwork skills and really impressed him!



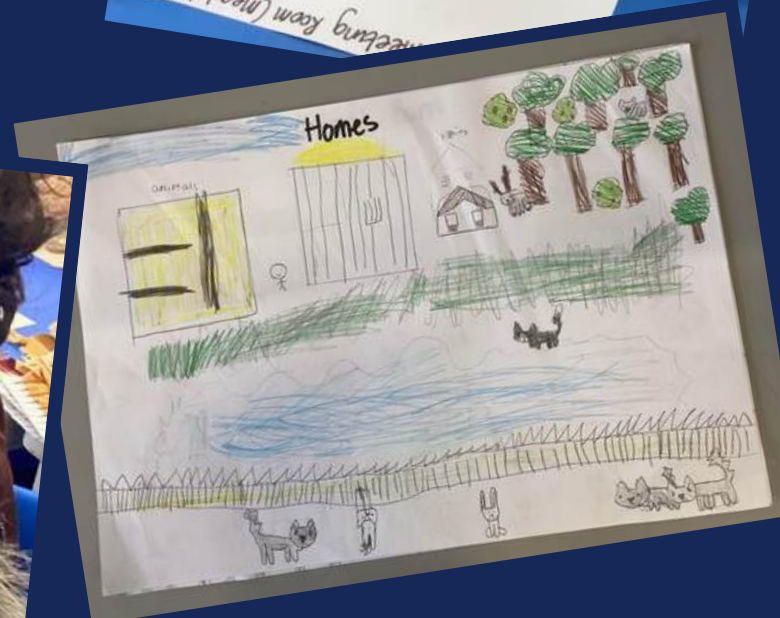
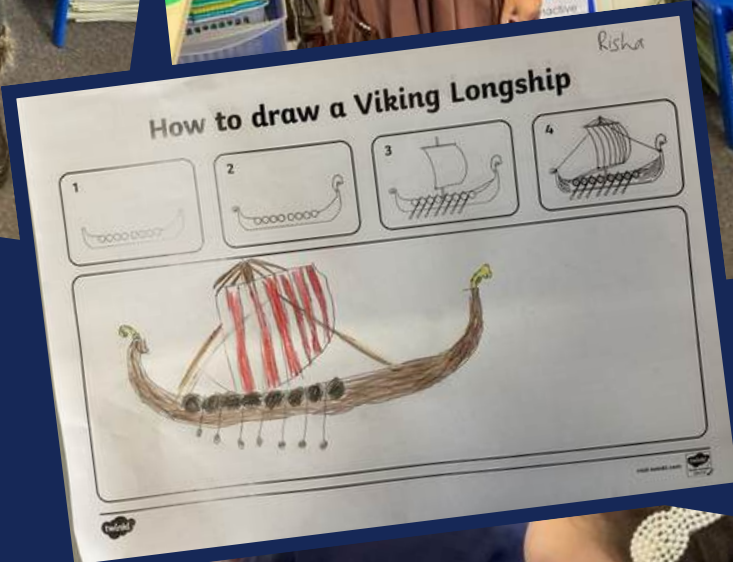
Year 4

Y4's Viking History Day

Y4 had the best day on History Day as they came dressed as Vikings. The children looked amazing and had a wonderful day of learning as they stepped back in time and explored what life might have been like in a Viking settlement.

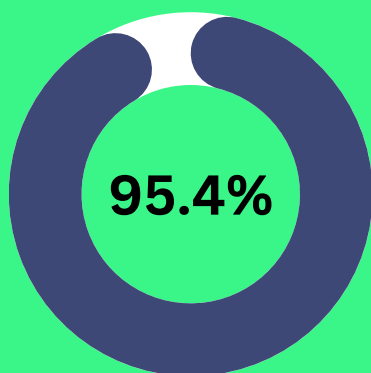
The children worked together to set up their own Viking settlement, designed a colourful tapestry and made a weaving. They also wrote letter symbols as runes and made Viking clay coins.

There was lots of creativity, teamwork and enthusiasm throughout the day, with everyone getting fully involved in the different activities.





ATTENDANCE MATTERS

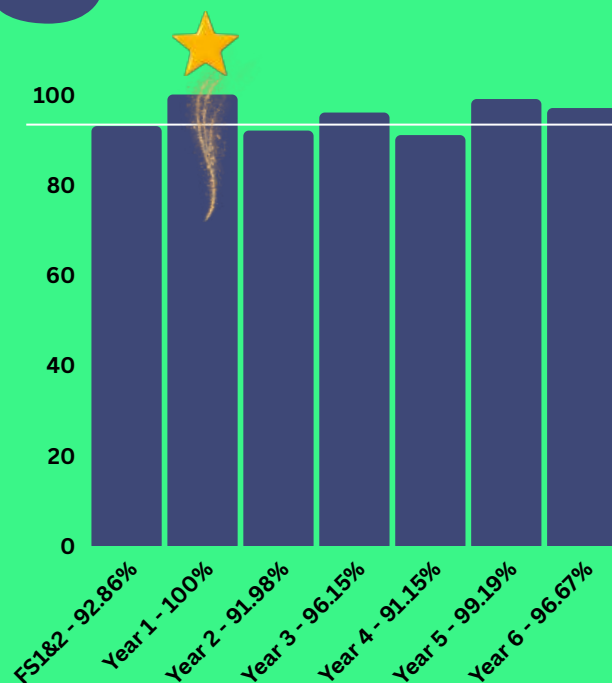


Our whole school attendance for the week is 95.38%

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

Y1 are class winners with an amazing 100%! They have an extra break and can also choose an extra attendance treat... **WELL DONE!**

WELL DONE Y1





Foundation

Playtime in the Past

In Foundation we have thoroughly enjoyed looking at and playing with toys that children would have played with in the past, such as a Jacob's ladder and a spinning top. We have used words such as 'now' and 'then'.

We compared toys from the past with the same toy that we have now.



WORTH A LOOK?...

Walkley Community choir

Parents – bring your kids along!
Looking for a fun, friendly activity to enjoy together?
Why not come along to Walkley Community Choir!

Whether you're a parent who loves to sing, or you just want to share a happy musical experience with your child, our choir is a great place to make music, meet new people and be part of a warm, welcoming community.

TUESDAYS 6.30–7.30pm
St Mary's Church Hall, Walkley

No experience necessary, no auditions and led by a professional singing teacher and musical director. We sing a variety of pop, musical, folk and more!

All families welcome – children of all ages are very welcome to come along with a parent or guardian.

For more information contact Jules on 07960 563 804
or find us on Facebook: WalkleyCommunityChoir



Year 2

Smoothie Designers

Year 2 have had a fabulous time in Design and Technology this week! They enjoyed tasting and analysing different smoothies, considering their taste, smell, texture and appearance.

They then became interviewers and spoke to our Year 1 clients to find out what flavours and ingredients they would like in their perfect smoothie.

Year 2 listened carefully to their clients' ideas and are now ready to design a smoothie that Year 1 will love!

We can't wait to see their creations!



Be Water Safe!

★ Know the Water Safety Code ★



Stop and Think

Before going near water, take a moment to look for any dangers.



Stay Together

Always stay with adults when you're near water.



Float

If you fall into water, stay calm, float on your back and control your breathing.



Call for Help

If someone is in trouble, tell an adult or call 999 or 112.

♥ Stay alert, stay safe, and enjoy water the smart way! ♥