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The St Mary's CE Academy School Newsletter

7th June 2024

“ Rise up, take courage and do it ”

Ezra 10:4

WELCOME



Dear all,

This is my first newsletter to you as the new Headteacher of St Mary's. I am so excited to have been given the opportunity to lead such a wonderful school with a dedicated team who care so much about the children and families they serve.

I know I have met some of you already but I look forward to getting to know all of you over the coming weeks.

Please look for me on the gates at the start of the day and feel free to come and have a chat.

I hope you enjoy the newsletter and feel proud of all the things your amazing children are doing.

Have a great weekend, Mrs Burgess x

Some dates for your diary!



- 11th June - FS1
Trip to Tropical Butterfly House
- 14th June - 8.30am - 9am
Father's Day Breakfast
- 18th June - Year 1- **Yorkshire Natural History Museum**
- 21st June - **Class Photos**
- 25th June - FS2 - **Trip to Whirlow Hall Farm**
- 26th June - Year 5
Trip to Yorkshire Sculpture Park
- 27th June - **Transition Day**
- 28th June - **Sports Day**
- 2nd July - **Year 2 - Fab Finish**
- 3rd July - **Year 1 - Fab Finish**
- 8-10th July - **SEND Reviews**
- 16th July - 2pm - **Year 6 Performance**
- 17th July - 9.30am - **Year 6 Performance**
- 22nd July - 9.15am - **Y6 Leavers' Church Service**
- 23rd July - **Y6 Leavers' Assembly**

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Visiting the Mosque

Year 2



We talked about Islam. We watched them pray.
We ate fruit and had drinks.

Year 4

Our Year 4 TT Rockstars!...

This week, Y4 have been practising hard for the upcoming Multiplication Tables Check.

The Multiplication Tables Check is a compulsory maths test for all year 4 pupils in England.

The test measures how well pupils can recall their times tables from 1 to 12, a foundation skill essential for mathematics.

Using Times Tables Rockstars, Y4 have been working hard all week.

Wish them the very best of luck!



**GOOD
TIMES**



Hidden meanings

EYFS

In the week before we broke up for half-term, we were learning all about special stories in RE.

We looked at the hidden meanings in those stories.



The parable the lost coin

We read the story of the lost silver coin. We then discussed how things can be precious to us. We also discussed how we are all precious to God. We then drew pictures of things we have that are special such as old teddies, comfort blankets or our families.

"Telling the truth keeps you safe."

"They didn't listen. He promised them he was telling the truth."

"He tricked the villagers"

"They didn't believe him at the end."

"He never lied again as he was scared."

"The wolf came and nobody came to help."

"We played Chinese whispers and talked about the importance of listening to others."

Year 6

The Y6 production this year is...

Hoodwinked

This is a fantastic retelling of the story of Robin Hood and his Merry Men.

Over the coming weeks, Y6 will be working hard to bring you an amazing performance.

Please come and join us for our show on the 16th July at 2pm or 17th July at 9.30am.

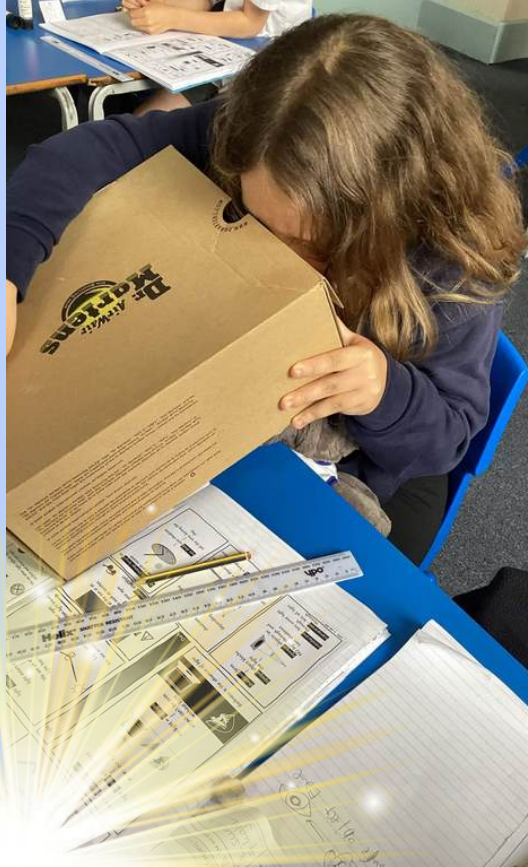


Year 3

Let there be light!

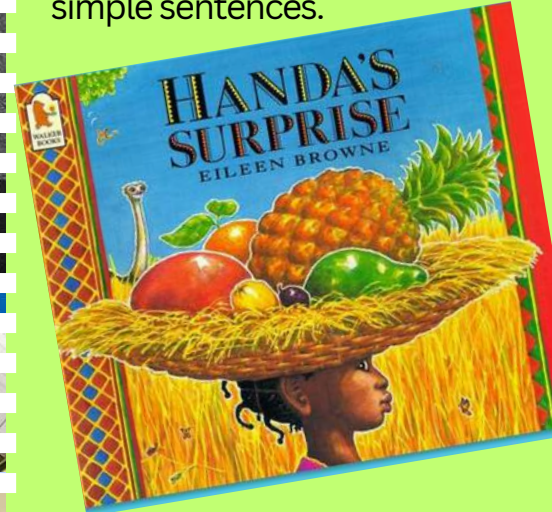
Year 3 have been exploring light sources and whether it is easier to see some materials with less light.

The children used shoe box viewers to conduct their investigation and predicted that the shiny materials would be easier to see.



Nursery

Nursery have begun to learn the story of Handa's Surprise. They are beginning to learn the vocab from the story and are putting together some simple sentences.



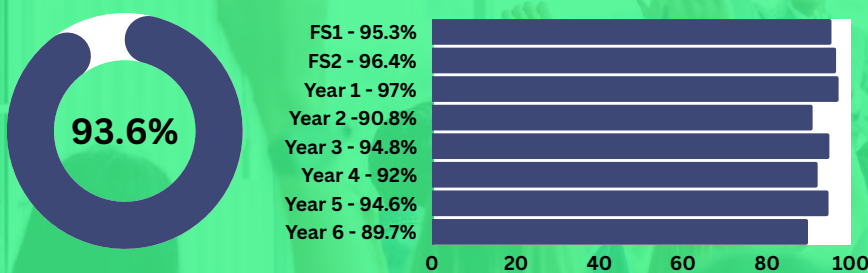
We have also been writing class prayers for the summer along with the Reception children.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Attendance really does matter and, as you can see from the chart on the right, any missing days from school has a massive impact on your child's education.



Our whole school attendance for this week is **93.69%** which is in-line with the national picture of 94%. However, our aim is to 'RISE' above this target and get our children attending school as much as possible to access even more great learning opportunities. Please help us with this.



REMEMBERING

D-DAY - JUNE 6TH 1944



OUR D-DAY ASSEMBLY

For our assembly on June 6th, all the children came together in the school hall for a special D-Day assembly to remember the events of eighty years ago.

The Junior Leadership Team planted some poppy sculptures in the planters around school in remembrance of D-Day today.

Year 1

WHAT'S COOKING?



Next week Year 1 will be once again be using our culinary skills when we make vegetable dips, pitta pockets and breaded vegetables.

Look out for a list of ingredients and please let us know if your child has any allergies.

Year 5

WE'VE BEEN LOOKING AT

Mayan cities

The Y5 children were tasked with finding out what a Maya city would have been like. They used i-pads to find reliable websites, noted down the key information and produced a 'broadsheet'. For some children, this was the first time speaking in front of the whole class.

They all did an amazing job: presenting their findings proudly and confidently. Well done, Y5!

