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The St Mary's CE Academy School Newsletter

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“ Rise up, take courage and do it ”

Ezra 10:4



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fabulously busy week again. The children have been so busy doing lots of amazing things, as you can see.

Apologies from last week as I missed Madame Roux from the staffing list. You'll be pleased to know, Madame Roux isn't going anywhere and she will continue to do all the amazing things she does including covering classes, ECO group, music and languages.

Have a great weekend, Mrs Burgess x

Some dates for your diary!



17th - 28th June
Wheel and Walk Challenge

21st June - Class Photos

25th June - FS1 and FS2 -
Trip to Cannon 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

Heading in the right direction

Year 2



Y2 have enjoyed exploring the geographical aspects of their local areas this week. We have been observing the human and physical features of Walkley on Digimaps and how we can understand it using compass points. This led us to discuss compass points further and try to label them.

Nut Allergy

As we have some children with some very **serious nut allergies**, can you please make sure you don't send your child to school with anything that contains nuts.

This includes packed lunches for trips. Please remember this as this can be a life threatening situation.

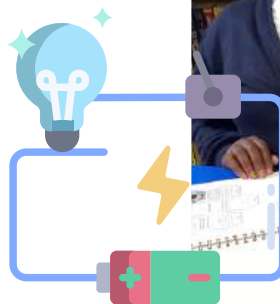


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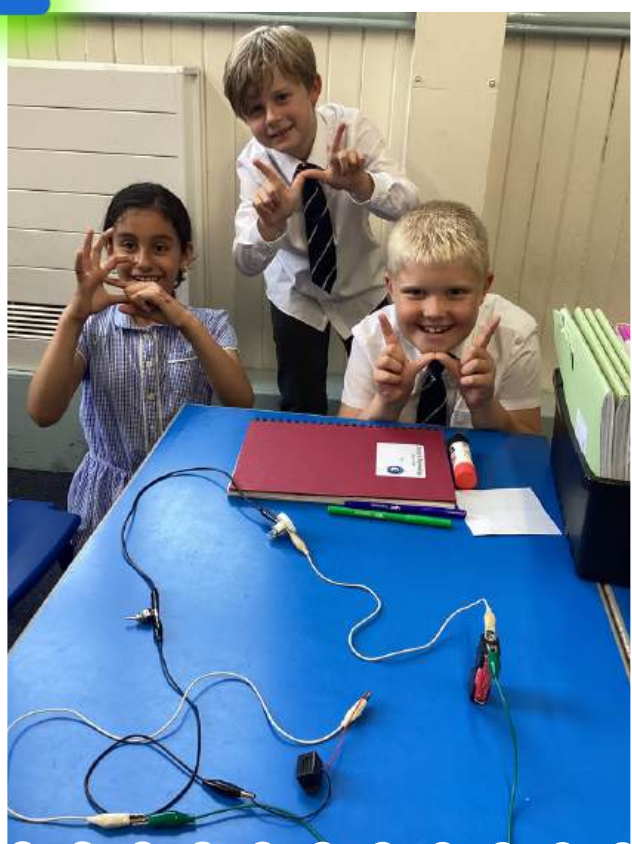
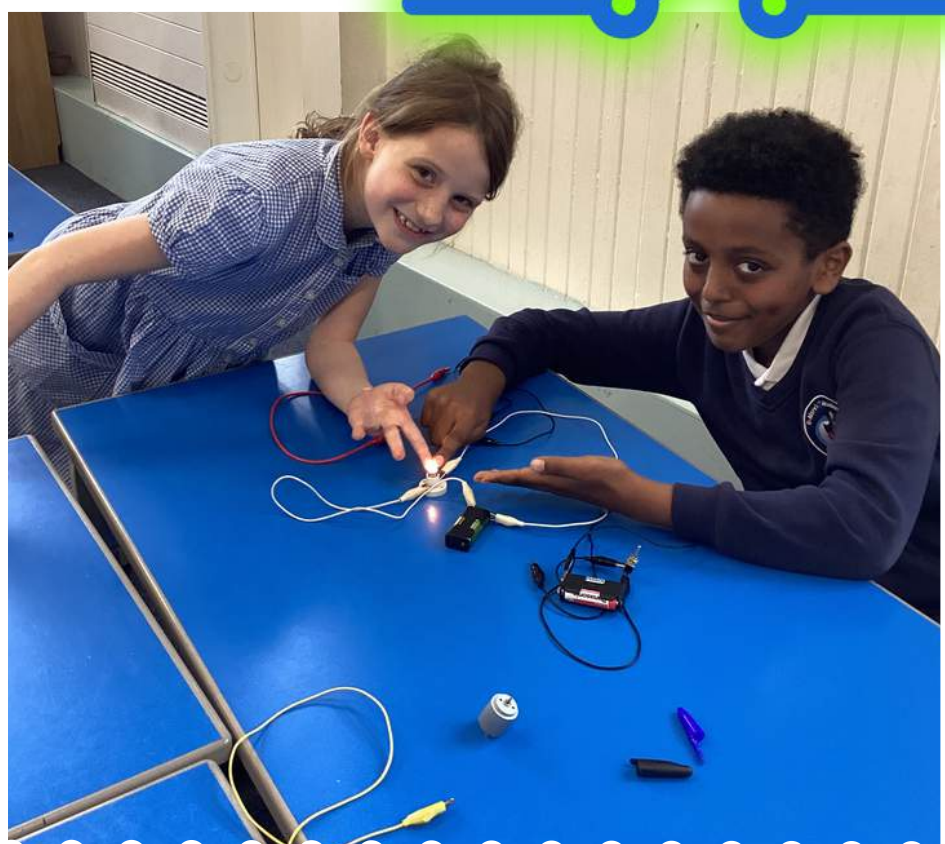
This week, Y4 experimented with electrical systems as they tried to answer the question...

“How useful are switches?”

Using the components such as batteries, motors and switches, they built circuits that made light bulbs glow and buzzers sing!



Year 4



A big thanks to...

Wickes

Just wanted to say a big thank you to Wickes for their generous donation of gardening equipment from the Wickes Community Programme.

We'll certainly be putting it all that compost, planting and the garden boxes to good use.

Madam Roux and the ECO council





Year 1



Trip to the Yorkshire Natural History Museum

Year 1 impressed their teachers this week when they walked to the tram station to visit The Natural History Museum. They were brilliant ambassadors for school, behaved superbly and found lots of great fossils too! Well done, Year 1.





Ancient Maya codex

To finish off our unit about the Ancient Maya, Y5 created this amazing Maya codex.

We stained the paper using teabags to make it look like the tree-bark that the Maya would have used, and we recorded all of the information that we have learnt about Maya cities, numbers, writing and much more.

We even wrote our titles using Mayan hieroglyphics!

Extra special shout out to Dominic, who completed his section of the class codex at home despite feeling very poorly.

Well done everyone!

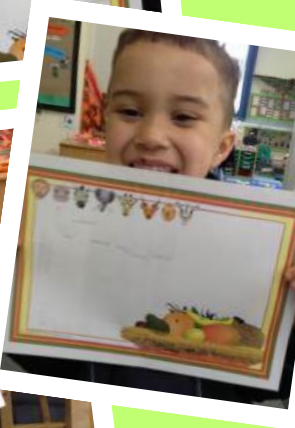
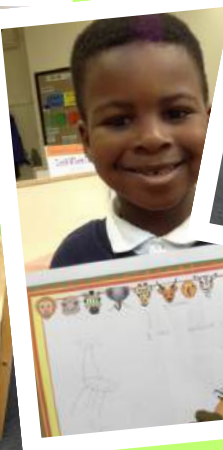
Nursery Learning...

This week we have continued reading the story, Handa's Surprise.

We have been thinking more about the animals in the story.

We have painted animal skin patterns, written a sentence about our favourite animal and even had a go at moving like different animals.

Nursery





Father's Day Breakfast

Last Friday saw the children celebrating Father's Day in the school hall with games, toys, activities and special breakfast food too!

We had so many of you join us in the hall for this - thank you for joining us with your children - it was a very special event.

A big thank you also to Miss Hancock for organising this.



Three little thoughts...

Watch something funny and enjoy how it feels to laugh



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Ask a friend what made them happy recently



Bring joy to others by doing something kind for them



They've got it all mapped out!

Year 3



Y3 have been studying OS maps in geography. They have been learning to read map symbols and identify contour lines, and they have also been looking at physical and human features.

The children worked brilliantly in pairs. Well done Year 3!



Earrings

Please remember, if you are getting your child's ears pierced - ideally take them at the start of the six week holiday so the piercing has time to heal before they return to school.



If your child has a piercing already - please help them to remove them at home on their P.E. days.

If your child has a stud piercing they will be asked to cover it over with a plaster/tape so they can participate fully in their P.E. lesson.

**PLEASE REMEMBER -
Studs only please for safety reasons.**

Let's give it one last push...



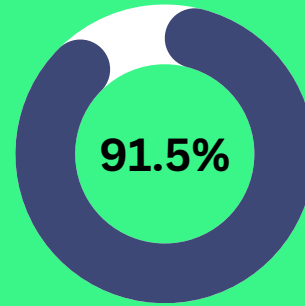
It's the last week of the Mayor's 'Walk and Wheel Challenge' Let's all keep it up and give it a final push to finish our 10-day challenge.

Hoodwinked

Don't forget, our Year 6 performance is on 16th July at 2pm or 17th July at 9.30am



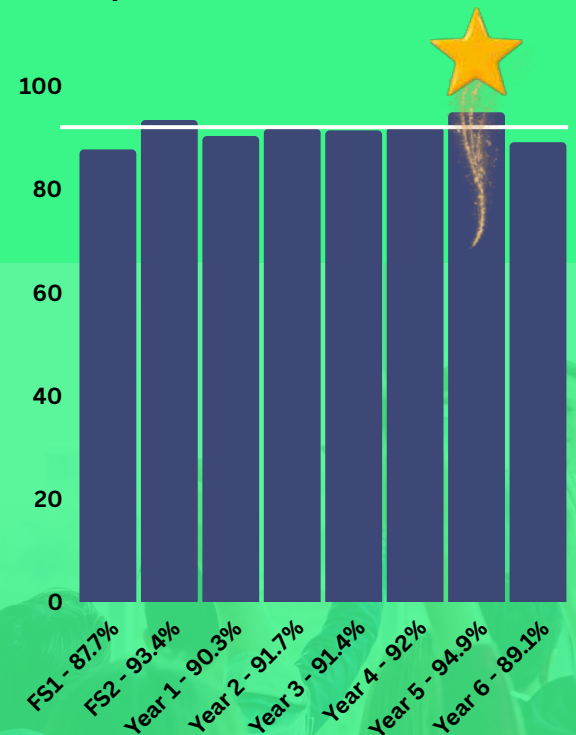
ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Sadly, our whole school attendance for this week is 91.52% which is below the national picture of 93.3%.

Some families were absent due to their Eid celebrations and unfortunately, this week, we have also had some sickness through the school.

Let's get this attendance back up next week!



Well done Year 5 - you are the winning attendance class and get an extra play time next week! Well done.

Unfortunately, no other classes were above 96%. Let's change this next week!

This week, Y6 have become Y7

Year **7**

Y6 have become Y7 this week in their maths lessons as part of their transition.

We have been learning all about sequences, deciding whether these are linear or non-linear and representing these in tabular and graphical forms.



Repeating Patterns

FS2

We made African bead necklaces, focusing on repeating patterns

