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## The St Mary's CE Academy School Newsletter

13th December 2024

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

Ezra 10:4

Dear Parents and Carers,



Tickets for the Christmas productions are still available on Arbour - 2 tickets per child. Tickets are £1 and this will include a mince pie and a drink of juice on arrival.

It makes such a difference to the children when they have a good audience so please try and join us for these events.

We are really looking forward to visiting St. Mary's Church on Monday 16th December. All children in school have made a Christingle as part of the service.

We hope lots of you can join us for this special event., mums, dads, aunts, uncles, grandparents, friends are all welcome.

This week, Year 5 have enjoyed a special theatre workshop with Sheffield Hallam University students. Pictures will be shared next week.

Happy Weekend,

Mrs Burgess



## Dates for your diary

Oh my goodness! There's still so much happening, it won't all fit in the usual spot.

Take a look on the next page and make sure you don't miss out on anything that's coming up!



# Diary Dates...

**Saturday 14th December** - Christmas Market - 11 - 4 p.m.

**Monday 16th December** - Church & Christingle Service - please join us at St Mary's Church; drinks from 9.00am

**Tuesday 17th December AM** - KS2 Christmas Concert 9.15am school hall

**Tuesday 17th December PM** - KS2 Christmas - 1.15pm school hall

**Wed 18th Dec** - School Christmas Lunch

**Wed 18th Dec AM** - FS1 and 2 - 9.15am Carol Singing & stay and play

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**Wed 18th Dec PM** - Y1 & Y2 Nativity - 2.00pm

**Thursday 19th Dec AM** - Y1 & Y2 Nativity - 9.15am

**Thursday 19th Dec** - Party Time - Please donate £1 to cover the children's snacks - juice, crisps, cookies. Any allergies will be catered for by Taylor Shaw. Children can arrive in party/festive clothes.

**Friday 20th Dec** - Christmas jumper/party clothes for our last day before the holiday.



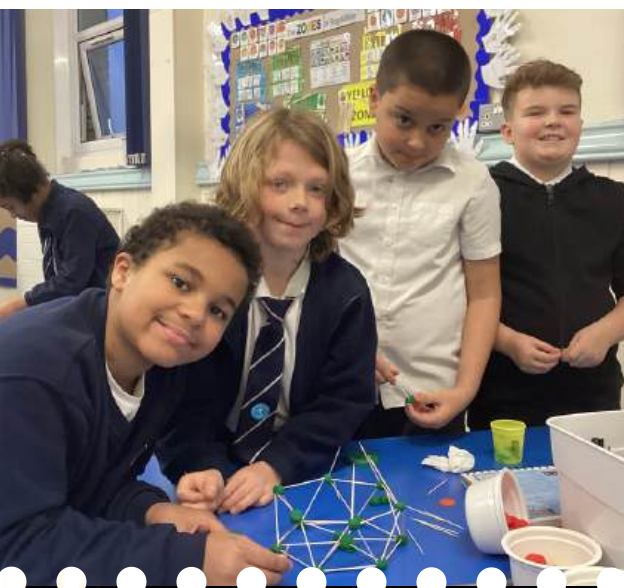
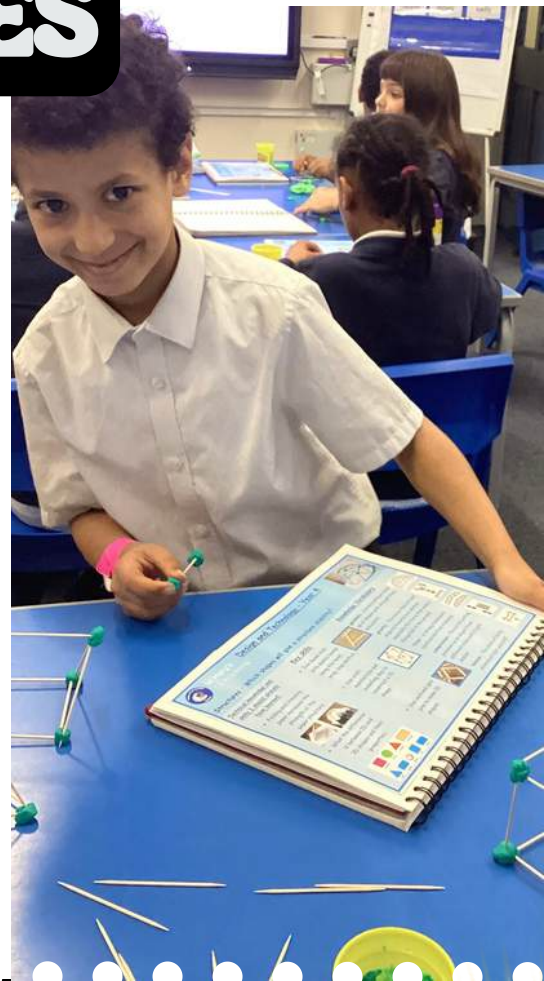
# STABILITY OF DIFFERENT SHAPES

Year 4

Year 4 have been investigating the stability of different shapes in preparation for their stadium final designs.

There was some fantastic teamwork.

**I can't wait to see the final results!**



**Just a thought!**

This time of year brings joy and excitement for many. However, for some, it can be a dark, difficult time.

How could you bring light and happiness and shine on others at this time of year?

Year 3



# Healthy Snacks

Creating a healthy snack was the aim of this week's DT lesson in Y3.

Children experimented with savoury and sweet toppings to create the perfect healthy homemade popcorn treat.

**Delicious!**





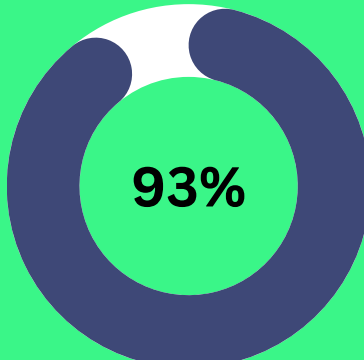
Nursery



# Christmas Construction

The children in Nursery have enjoyed playing in the construction area this week. They have built Christmas trees using the magnetic tiles and they have decorated small Christmas trees in the spot tray.

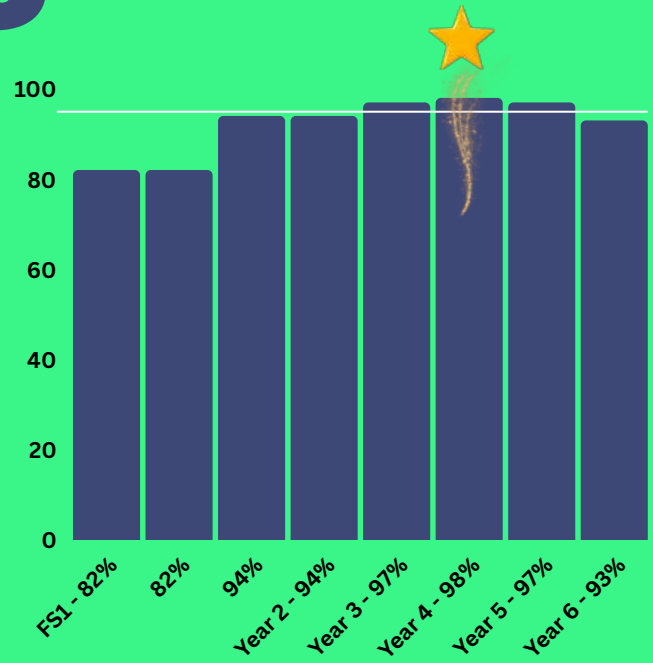
## ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Our whole school attendance for the week (4 Dec - 11th Dec) is 93.3%. We have so many poorly children! Let's hope you all get better very soon and we see you back in class. All classes that achieved 96% and above will get an extra 10 minute break.

Year 4 are class winners with an amazing 98%! They have an extra break and can also choose an extra attendance treat... **WELL DONE!**

### WELL DONE Year 4

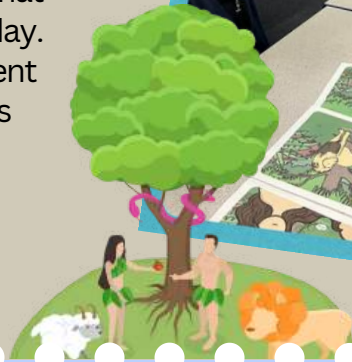


Year 2

## CREATION STORY SEQUENCING

Year 2 have been learning about the creation story in this week's RE lesson. The children were tasked with sequencing the pictures and then working together, as a group, to explain to the whole class what happened on each day. They showed excellent communication skills and outstanding teamwork.

Well done year 2!



## AN AMAZING ARTISTIC END TO 2024!

Year 6



Y6 revisited their learning from their art lessons last half term to make their end of year calendars.

They look amazing.

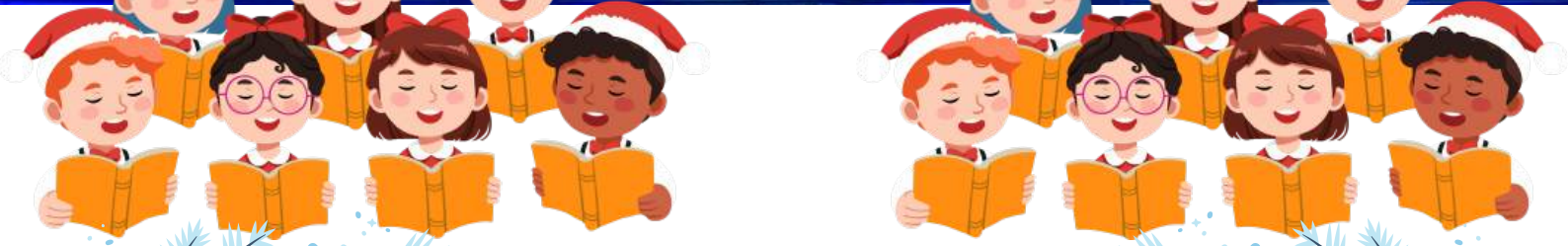
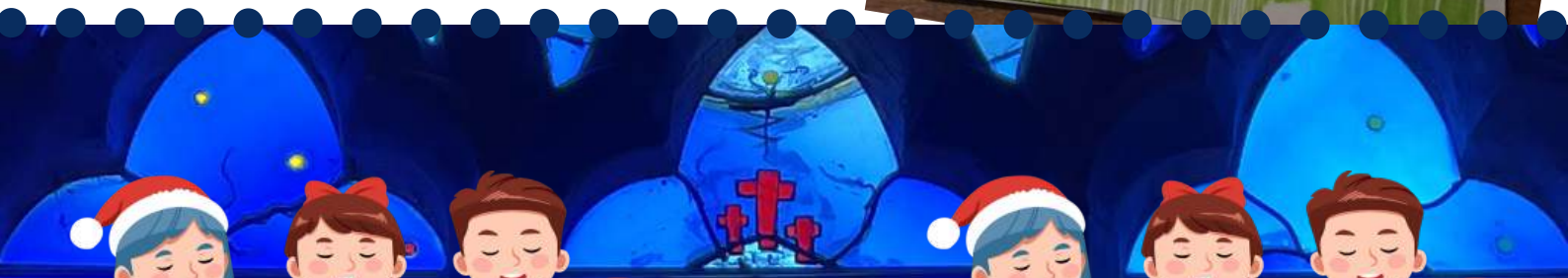
Year 1

# Fab Mechanisms

Y1 would love to say a huge thank you to everyone that came to help us with our Fab Finisher!

We had a wonderful time and loved making our final product with you!

Here are some examples of what we made for our end of term D.T unit of work on mechanisms.



St Mary's Church

## Carol and Christingle Services

St Mary's Church is holding its Carol Service at 4pm on 22nd December and its Christingle on Christmas Eve at 4pm and everyone is welcome!

We would also like to wish everyone at St Mary's School a very happy Christmas.



# WALKLEY CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday 14th December

St Mary's Church, South Road

**11am - 4pm**

PLUS

FOOD

LIVE MUSIC

MULLED WINE

REFRESHMENTS

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

