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21st February 2025

## Nursery

This week Nursery have been enjoying the book 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt.' The children have loved doing the actions to the story and following along with the words. We have been painting bears with mud, counting bears in maths and exploring the long wavy grass.



## Reception

This week Reception came back from lunch to find a dinosaur egg had been left in the classroom. The children enjoyed exploring the egg and predicted that it might be a tyrannosaurus rex egg because of how big it was. We talked about other animals that lay eggs and created some wonderful learning around eggs and nests as you can see below.





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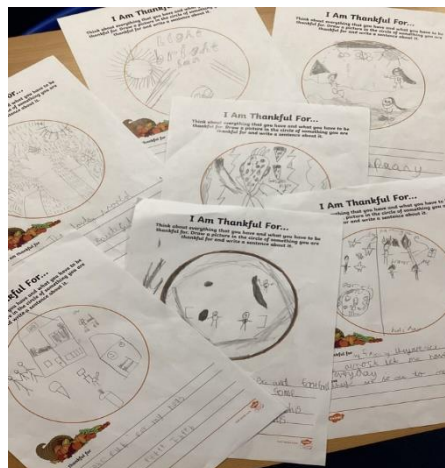
## YEAR 1

This week in Year 1, the children have been making 17<sup>th</sup> century fire engines as a part of their design and technology lessons. The children have researched, planned and designed their fire engines and they've been working very hard to create their finished products. Great work Year 1!



## YEAR 2

In their RE lessons this half term, Year 2 have been learning all about Christianity. We have explored the question of what the idea of 'peace' means to Christians and how they find this. We recently had a go at writing our very own prayers for something we are thankful for. The children read example prayers as a class and discussed what they were thankful for in their lives.





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## **YEAR 3**

This week, in Topic, Year 3 have been learning all about tsunamis. We learned that tsunamis are created when there is an earthquake under the sea. We discovered that they can be very destructive and can devastate the lives of people involved. After learning about what a tsunami is, we created our own in class.



## **YEAR 4**

This week, Year 4 have focused on their art project, 'Wonderful Weaving.' We learned that weaving is an ancient method of joining two sets of threads together to form cloth. We practiced paper weaving before creating our own cardboard loom to thread the cloth onto. We created and made our own designs using multiple colours and worked incredibly hard showing resilience and perseverance when making mistakes. Miss Jackson was very impressed with how often we helped each other too!







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## **YEAR 5**

Year 5 have continued to show and develop their netball skills taught across this half term. They have focused on footwork, creating space, defending and intercepting and learning the positions of the game. The children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about netball and have shown that they have excelled at new skills, especially learning how important footwork is in the game.



## **YEAR 6**

This week, Year 6 have continued their learning about evolution. They have explored the significance of fossils and how these have helped us to understand the history of life on Earth. They children then looked at a range of fossils and linked this to Charles Darwin's theory of evolution and how they can help scientists' study how living things have adapted to their environments over millions of years. They even had a go at making their own too!





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## World Book Day

On **Thursday 6th March** it is World Book Day 2025!

To celebrate our love of reading at Sacriston Academy we are inviting all children to come to school in their **comfy clothes!** We would love your children to bring their **favourite book** that they can share with their friends.

The children are also welcome to bring in a **prop from a book**. This is to play the game 'guess which book'. This might be a pair of glasses for 'Harry Potter', a small cat and frog for 'Room on the broom' or even a homemade Viking hat out of lego for 'How to train a dragon'.

During World Book Day all children will:

- Have a reading-packed day
- Complete fun reading activities and crafts
- Enjoy reading to children in other classes and share their favourite books
- Take a special trip to our Sacriston Starbooks- our cosy café where the children will enjoy a tasty treat, a drink and a book with friends
- Explore some traditional tales and have time to read a story or two.

We look forward to seeing everyone in their comfy clothes to settle down with a good book on Thursday 6th March!



The menu for week beginning **3rd March 2025 is Week 1**. School dinners are

£14.05 per week, paid online by Monday please. Our school menu can now be found on our website. If you would like to look at the options with your child, please use the following link.

<http://www.sacristonacademy.co.uk/school-information/lunch-menu>





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## Class Attendance

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
95.71%	94.79%	99.00%	99.55%	94.71%	100%	99.14%	95%

## Weekly Awards

Our Headteacher Playtime Awards were presented today to **Reception** and **Year 6**. The following children have all impressed their class teacher:

**Nursery:** Gary Taylor

**Reception:** Mila Grace

**Year 1:** Everly Smith

**Year 2:** Jovian Tom

**Year 3:** Amber Mcmanus

**Year 4:** Lachlan Saunders

**Year 5:** Grace Zand

**Year 6:** Ellie Foster



## Handwriting Awards:

**Reception:** Ellie Watson

**Year 1:** Maisie Wardle

**Year 2:** Freddie Erskine

**Year 3:** Mason Hubber

**Year 4:** Lachlan Saunders

**Year 5:** Hollie-Mae Hubber

**Year 6:** Sam Slater





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## **Reader of the Month:**

**Reception:** Lennox Graham

**Year 1:** Harry Bradley

**Year 2:** Isla Shelton

**Year 3:** Maisey Smith

**Year 4:** Stephen Shena

**Year 5:** Alfie Fawthrop

**Year 6:** Ebenezer Parshad



## **Author of the Month:**

**Reception:** Laura Bere

**Year 1:** Alivia Stanley

**Year 2:** Albert Prasal

**Year 3:** Tobias Armstrong

**Year 4:** Caleb Bunyan

**Year 5:** Elisha Turner-McHugh

**Year 6:** Ava Hall



## **Mathematician of the Month:**

**Reception:** Michelle Henderson

**Year 1:** Grayson Iveson

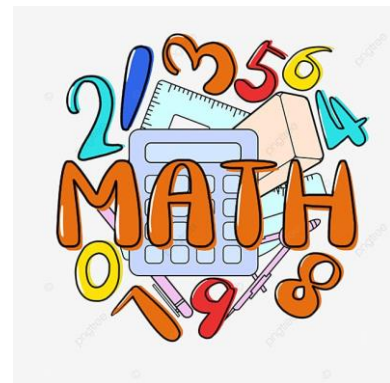
**Year 2:** Joseph Patterson

**Year 3:** Olivia Ward

**Year 4:** Memphis Mendy

**Year 5:** Aaron Hunter

**Year 6:** Jack Elliott





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## Dates for your Diary

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**

Children return to school

Uniform swap shop

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March**

Theme Lunch – Pancake Day

**Thursday 6 March**

World Book Day

Theme Lunch - World Book Day

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March**

School Games Mark Y5/6 Dodgeball Competition

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March**

Y1 Sports Trip

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March**

Holi Festival of Colour Day

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March**

Theme Lunch - Red Nose Day

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March**

Y2 Sports Trip

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March**

Theme Lunch - Red Nose Day

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**

Y5 Sports Trip

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March**

Y6 Sports Trip

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April**

Y2 & Y6 Oriental Museum Outreach

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April**

Theme Lunch - Easter Day

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April**

Break up for Easter