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16th May 2025

Nursery

This week in Nursery we have been learning all about moles. We read our weekly story Mole by Ruth Owen where we found out lots of new words and their meanings such as molehill, chamber, vibrations and larva. Nursery had the important job of making sure all the worms were fed so the moles would have big worms to eat! The children worked hard to count the correct amount of food to feed the worms. Well done Nursery!



Reception

This week Reception have been learning all about the importance of family and friends. The children created their own portraits of their friends and family. We talked about why these people are important to us and how they look after us.

'My mum looks after me and my brother.' - **Abigail**

'I look after my little sister and give her cuddles.' - **Ellie**

'I love my dad so much.' - **Mila**





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Year 1

As part of Year 1's art topic we looked at a famous artist called James Rizzi, we explored why he creates his pictures and why they are important to him. James Rizzi is an American artist who creates cityscapes, he overlaps lots of materials, uses lots of different colours and likes to make his art come to life. He is inspired by New York skyscrapers, Year 1 were brilliant at designing their final pieces, overlapping their art and making it come to life. Well done Year 1!

"James Rizzi does busy paintings like in New York." - Grayson

"He likes to have lots of funny faces on his buildings." - Tyler



Year 2

Year 2 have begun a brand new topic in Maths this week, which sees them exploring fractions. So far, we have identified what is meant by a whole and have learned to recognise that parts of the whole that are equal are called fractions. After discerning the difference between equal and unequal parts, the children have investigated halves, quarters and thirds, and are making excellent progress!

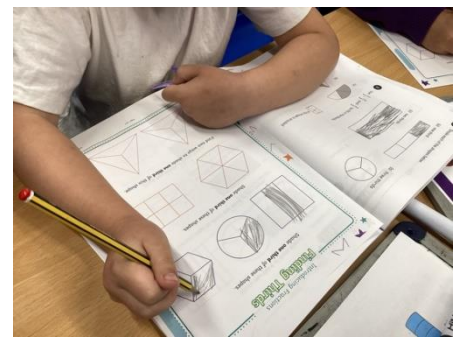
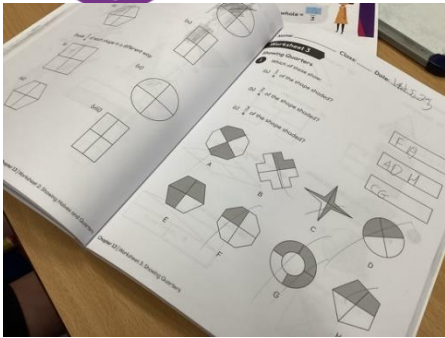
"Two quarters is the same as one half" -Joseph

"Quarters are when you chop into four and thirds are when you chop into three" – Harry

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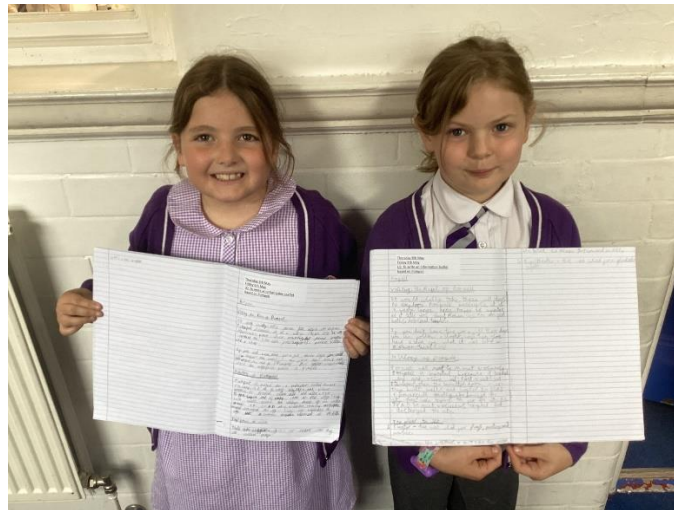


Year 3

This week, Year 3 have been writing an informative leaflet based on Pompeii which links to their topic of the Romans. Their aim was to use subordinate clauses and a range of determiners which they have done. The leaflet aimed to promote Pompeii to potential visitors and be a helpful guide to tourists.

"I liked researching my own information for the leaflet" - Amelia

"I loved learning about Pompeii" - Willow B



Year 4

Year 4 are thoroughly enjoying learning about Ancient Egypt this term! This week, we focussed on Egyptian leaders. The children were given their own significant pharaoh and were brilliant at getting into character. They interviewed each other and found out the dates each pharaoh ruled, which kingdom they ruled and a key fact about them. We also looked at key symbols that pharaohs had on their sarcophaguses and what they represented.



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"Narmer was the first ever pharaoh," - Stephen

"Djoser was a pharaoh who built the famous first step pyramid," - Ruby

"Tutankhamun was the youngest ever pharaoh. He was only 9," - Ellie

"They wore scarab beetles because they believed it protected them and showed they were royal," - Caleb

"They wear an ankh because they believe it is a key to heaven," – Jessie



Year 5

This week, Year 5 completed their science investigation – finding out which material would keep ice the coldest for longest. We worked as a team to identify things we would keep the same in the investigation and the one thing we would change (the material). We then wrapped ice cubes up with bubble wrap, plastic and tin foil and left them for a total of 10 minutes. During this time, we made a prediction about what we think will happen.

'I think that tin foil will keep the ice the coldest because inside lunch boxes there is a silver material that is similar.' -**Winnie**

We then recorded the results in a table, before calculating the mean. We found out that bubble wrap was the best thermal insulator because it has tiny air pockets which reduced movement of energy.

'I think that the bubble wrap kept the ice the coldest because the bubbles are tightly compact.'
- **Elisha**



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Year 6

This week, Year 6 started their art topic of abstract art. They began by looking Piet Mondrian and the style of artwork that he created and learned that he created his own style called neoplasticism. This was a very minimalistic style, using simple lines, right-angles and blocks of primary colours. We then created our own in a similar style.



"The primary colours are blue, red and yellow." **Thomas**

"Abstract art is when it doesn't look exactly like the object." **Ebenezer**

Year 6 have also completed their SATS this week. We are extremely proud of all of the children and how they have demonstrated great resilience and commitment over the week. Well done Year 6!





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The menu for week beginning **19th May 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>



Class Attendance

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
85.95%	93.33%	98%	99.04%	97.12%	96.74%	93.10%	98.96%

Weekly Awards

Our Headteacher Playtime Awards were presented today to **Reception** and **Year 6**.

The following children have all impressed their class teacher:

Nursery: Alfie Underwood

Reception: Finley Tasker

Year 1: Theo Johnson

Year 2: Auden Sinaj

Year 3: Ruby Dawson

Year 4: Ruby Straughan

Year 5: Kayaan Bunyan

Year 6: All of Year 6





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Handwriting Awards:

Year 1: Everly Smith

Year 2: Jovian Tom

Year 3: Ethan Bradford

Year 4: Lukas Zand

Year 5: Elisha Turner-McHugh

Year 6: Charlotte Davidson



Dates for your Diary

Monday 19th May

Tuesday 20th May

Wednesday 21st May

Thursday 22nd May

Friday 23rd May

Y2 Sports Trip

Y1, 3, 4 and 5 Oriental Museum workshops

Y5/6 football team cup final!

Y3 Trip to Binchester Roman Fort

Y1 Trip to Wharton Park

Non-uniform day- chocolate/bottle donations

Break up for half term