



NEWSLETTER

5th December 2025

NURSERY

This week in Nursery, we have been playing lots of listening games and making flags following step by step instructions. The children have completed obstacle courses, made music and made their own beautiful flags. We have had lots of good listening and fun this week.



RECEPTION

After enjoying the delightful story '*Detective Dog*', our Reception children let their imaginations run wild! Inspired by Detective Nell, they created their very own dogs using paper plates, colouring pens, and cutting out their own ears, nose and tongue. The classroom was filled with wagging tails, floppy ears, and lots of colourful designs. It was a fantastic to see your storytelling and hands-on creativity. We loved bringing our detective dogs to life!





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YEAR 1

This week in Year 1, we continued our art topic of 'Mix it up' by looking at different colours and how we can alter the shade of the colour. This week the children have used their prior knowledge about primary colours and colour mixing to make different colours by adding white or black. Here are some of our shades that we created!



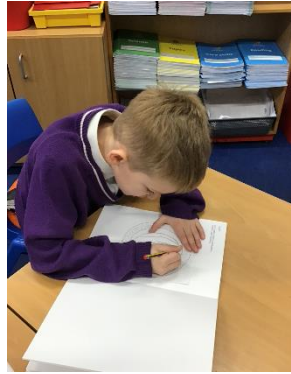
YEAR 2

This week, Year 2 have stepped into the shoes of real artists! After researching and exploring different styles of still life art and learning about famous artists, they became artists themselves. We studied a variety of still life objects (mainly fruit) and practiced sketching them. We all designed our own plate, created a still life composition, sketched it out, then brought it to life with paint and shading.





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YEAR 3

This week in Science, we learned how fossils are made by doing a fun experiment! We used slices of bread to show layers of rock and gummy bears to represent animals or plants that get buried over time. By stacking the bread and pressing it down with heavy books, we saw how the gummy bears got squashed and stuck inside the bread, just like fossils form in real life. This helped us understand that fossils are usually found in sedimentary rocks because they build up in layers and keep things safe inside.





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YEAR 4

This week, Year 4 have been busy developing their treasure box designs! The children explored different lid styles and evaluated a range of prototypes to inspire their ideas. They also considered the materials and tools they will need to bring their creations to life next week. Some designs featured unique themes, while others were cleverly planned to hold a small Christmas gift! The children's designs were very creative and I can't wait to see their final pieces!

"I'm going to use a slide on lid! I'm going to make my box out of cardboard to make it stronger." - Maisy

"I'm going to use a push on lid. I think this will be easier to make." - Theo



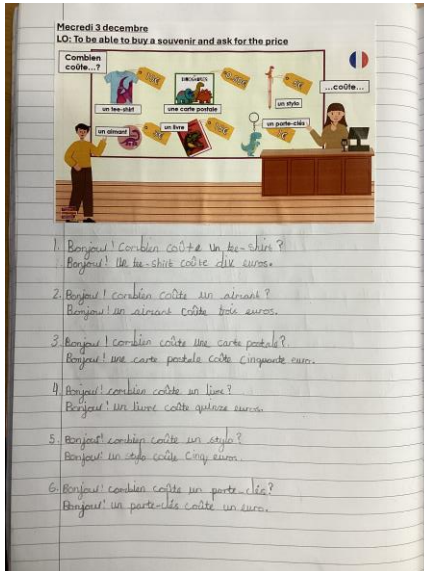
YEAR 5

Year 5 have been enjoying their French topic of 'In the City' in MFL lessons this half term. The children have learnt a vast array of new vocabulary as they have begun to navigate their way through the capital city of Paris, exploring gift shops and buying souvenirs, listing and describing various landmarks, and even discussing how to purchase an entry ticket to a venue such as a museum (musee) or stadium (stade).

"In French they say combien coute when they ask how much something costs" – Marley



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YEAR 6

Year 6 had an incredible day at Nissan, taking part in the Monozukuri Caravan workshop. They took part in lots of exciting team challenges, built Lego car models and explore the assembly and inspection process of car manufacturing. They even visited part of the factory and met a robot who greeted us and even wrote some of our names! The children were fantastic throughout the trip and their behaviour and manners were praised by all the staff. A brilliant day where our Sacriston stars truly shone!





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Football

This week, Sacriston girls finished their league campaign off with a 2-0 win over St Oswalds which meant that they finished as joint third in the league. They also ended the evening with a 3-0 win over Finchale. It has been a really successful and enjoyable campaign for our girls' side this half term. Well done, girls!



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Class Attendance

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
86.8%	91.1%	95%	95%	96%	94.2%	90.7%	91.2%

Weekly Awards

Our Headteacher Playtime Awards were presented today to **Y2** and **Y5**

The following children have all impressed their class teacher:

Nursery: Lennox Johnston-Hubber

Reception: Mia Gordon

Year 1: Molly Fets

Year 2: Tyler Wood

Year 3: George Underwood

Year 4: Ashton Boyle

Year 5: Lachlan Saunders

Year 6: Grace Zand



Perfect Presentation

Reception: Christopher Laddie

Year 1: Finley Tasker

Year 2: Harry Bradley

Year 3: Lewis Sharpe

Year 4: Amber McManus

Year 5: Caleb Bunyan

Year 6: David Wile





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The menu for week beginning **8th December 2025 is week 3**. School dinners are £14.75 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>

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Wednesday 10th December	EY Nativity performance 10:30-11:30am KS1 Nativity performance 2:15-3pm
Thursday 11th December	Christmas Dinner Day / Christmas jumper day
Friday 12th December	Pantomime in school
Monday 15th December	Christmas Card workshop for pupils and families Y1 9am, y2 10am, Y3 11am Nursery Christmas party 10am Reception Christmas party 1.30pm
Tuesday 16th December	Christmas Card workshop for pupils and families Y4 9am, Y5 10am, Y6 11am Y1 / 2 Christmas Party 1.30pm
Wednesday 17th December	EY Stay and Play 10.30am-11:30am Y3/4 Christmas party 1.30pm
Thursday 18th December	Y5/6 Christmas party 1.30pm
Friday 19th December	Last day of school – break up for Christmas holidays, pupils return January 6th