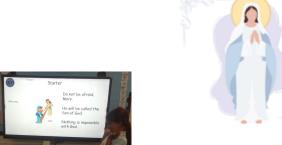


St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Ipswich

`Living and Learning through Faith`



December 2024







In RE we have been learning about Advent and its significance as we prepare for the celebration of Jesus' birth. We created a wonderful role-play scene re-enacting the moment when Angel Gabriel came down to tell Mary the incredible news: "Do not be afraid, Mary. He will be called the Son of God. Nothing is impossible with God."



In Science we have enjoyed learning about our bodies and healthy eating! We had the pleasure of welcoming a personal trainer into our class who talked about the importance of healthy eating and why exercise is good for us.

In Geography we have been learning about the differences between human and physical features in our environment. To bring our learning to life, we went on an exciting walk around our local area to identify these features in real life!

In Maths this term we have covered a variety of engaging topics. **Adding and Subtracting**: the children have worked hard on their number skills, improving their confidence in solving addition and subtraction problems. **Money**: the class were fantastic at counting coins, finding totals in different ways, and comparing prices. This practical activity has helped them develop an understanding of real-life applications of maths. **Shape**: we explored 2D and 3D shapes, learning their names and recognising their unique properties. The children enjoyed identifying shapes in their environment and discussing their uses. The children have worked incredibly hard in maths!

In English the children have been learning about poetry, character descriptions, invitations and stories from other cultures. The class have produced some beautiful pieces of writing, which have been such a joy to read.

In PSHE our topic has been Healthy Me. We focused on what our body needs in order to be healthy, how to keep our minds healthy and what healthy eating looks like.

In History we have been learning about the Great Fire of London. The children have explored how the fire started, why it spread so quickly, and the impact it had on the city. Through engaging activities and discussions, they have gained a deeper understanding of this significant historical event and the changes it brought to London. The children have shown great interest and enthusiasm, asking thoughtful questions and making wonderful connections to their learning.

Year 2 have worked incredibly hard this term, and it has been a very busy one—but also very exciting! We are proud of everything Year 2 have achieved this term and look forward to more exciting adventures in learning next term!