



St. Stephen's C. of E. First School. February Frolics!



Dear Parents,

Year three and four had an amazing time on their residential at Manor Park Adventure. What an adventure they had! The children were all incredible, they got stuck in...literally and had a great time trying out new activities. They abseiled, which means they walked down a wall from the top to the bottom. They climbed up a climbing wall. They 'bouldered', which meant that they had to walk along a wall horizontally just using their hands and feet.

One of the most exciting activities was the underground maze. This was a maze made out of concrete which had a ceiling height of a meter. Mr. Wake and Mrs. Barrett kept banging their heads on the roof. There were no lights except for the light on their helmet torches, and they had to navigate lumps and rocks on the ground; plus there was rain water underfoot which came half way up their calves! Luckily wellington boots were available. This was not for the faint hearted. Check out the photos...

As well as this the children had to look after themselves and their belongings. Shower and feed themselves and on the last day they had to tidy up! Guess which room was the messiest? Despite some atrocious weather conditions, rain and freezing temperatures, they survived. What a great trip and what an astonishing group of children. They had a go at everything. It was a pleasure to have taken them.

Meanwhile the children back in school who didn't attend the trip had a fabulous three days with Mrs. Sherwood and Ms. Amin. They painted, created and also had a trip out to Red Point in Worcester where they climbed a huge climbing wall...even Ms. Amin had a go!

All of the children in school have had a super half term. EYFS have been doing some tricky number work. They have been learning to write their numbers and then show them using the Numicon. Here are some pictures...

We look forward to another exciting half term here at St Stephen's as you can see from the dates below there is plenty going on! Let us hope the weather improves too!

Take care,

Sarah Barrett

Vice Principal

Spring Term Two:

- 24th February -Parents Evening 3:30-5:30 pm
- 26th February- Parents Evening 5:00-7:30 pm
- 5th March- World Book Day.
- 17th March- KS2 Film aft:3:10-5:00
- 20th March -Eid al-Fitr-TBC
- 20th March-Red Nose Day
- 22nd March: Charity Week for Birmingham Children's Hospital.
- 24th March KS1 Film aft: 3:10-5:00
- 24th March Charity Coffee afternoon. Year 4 to host 2:00pm also meet Alison from the Parent Forum Team.
- 26th March-Easter Service.

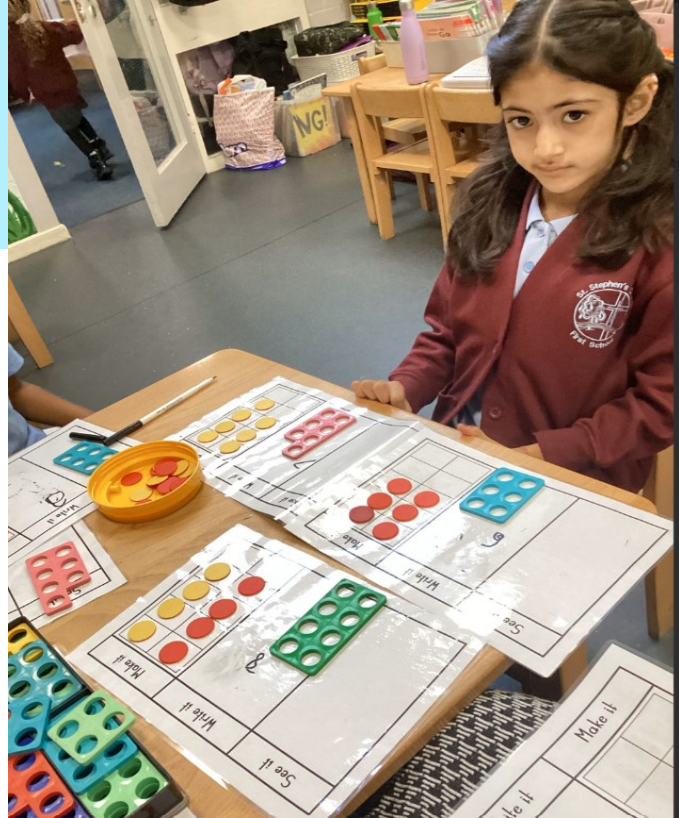
27th March- 13th April -Easter Holidays

Summer Term One:

- 13th April -School Open
- 4th May-Bank Holiday
- 7th May- Parent Workshop-Making slime.
- 5th May- Year 2 London Trip
- 20th May- Poetry Slam with local schools.
- 21st May- Alpaca Visit
- 25th May- 29th May- Half term.

Summer Term Two:

- June 1st- School opens.



Year 3 and 4 Trip to Red Point Climbing Wall.

They had a fantastic time! It was an enormous climbing wall but none of the children were fazed. Thank- you to Mrs Sherwood for organising and thanks to all the staff the helped out on the day!



Year 3 and 4 Residential 2026.

What a brilliant time we had! Here are some pictures to celebrate the 2026 residential trip to Manor Adventure. Big thanks to Mrs Mertens, and Mr Wake, who organised the trip.

The low ropes on the first day.



Helping each other out.



Hanging on the low ropes...



Fencing.



Abseiling down the tower.



Climbing the climbing wall.





Night time games.



First breakfast!

Down into the depths of the underground maze...watch your heads!



This mining is hard work!



Looking for a way out.

