

Manorfield Detectives.



Have you ever noticed this when you've been to St. Michael's church?

Most of you have been in there many times, but when you were looking around, did you notice this on the wall?

Who does this coat-of-arms belong to?

Look at the initials and number at the top of the painting to help.

What animals are the 'supporters' on either side of the arms?
Here's a clue, the animal on the right **isn't** a horse!

Can you find out what they represent, if you do, can you also find the nursery rhyme about them?

The reason that it is there at all is because of Henry VIII.



He was the king who changed the church in the Tudor period.
He wanted to marry Ann Boleyn, but was still married to Queen Catherine of Aragon.
He asked the Pope in Rome for a divorce, but the Pope said NO!

Henry decided to ignore the Pope and put himself in charge of the church in England.

When Henry VIII made himself head of the Church of England, he declared a royal coat-of-arms must be put up in every church in the land.

It was a very visual reminder to all his subjects that the Pope was no longer in control, but Henry was. He knew everyone would see it every week when they were in church.

Can you work out how many coats-of-arms there should be from Henry VIII to today?

