

# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



*'Treat others the way you want to be treated.'*

*Matthew 7:12*

12/7/24

Dear Family,

We have now reached the end of another busy but successful year! Today we say goodbye to our year 6 children. They are more than ready for their next chapter to begin at their new schools and we wish them all the best for the future! As we say every year—they'll always be part of St Joseph's school family and we are very proud of all they have achieved! We also say farewell to Rugile, Guste and Aidan, who are returning to Lithuania and Dandrei, who is also moving away, we wish them well and will miss them lots!

SPREAD   
Your Wings  
AND FLY   
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**A BIG THANK YOU** to all our families who continue to support us in ensuring our children have the best possible learning experiences during their time at St Joseph's.

Thank you also to our amazing staff, who work tirelessly, going above and beyond to ensure our children enjoy and achieve in all aspects of their school life!

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# SHREK

## THE MUSICAL JR



***On Wednesday evening our Key Stage 2 children performed a spectacular production of Shrek the Musical Jr at the Monmouth Savoy theatre. It was a truly magnificent performance and all of the children were absolutely brilliant!***

***We are all so proud of their hard work and commitment during the last 4 months, it certainly paid off!***

***A big thank you to Miss Steiner for all her hard work in putting this production together, we are so grateful for all you do!***

***A big thank you to Miss Jenn and all of the Hurds family, Dave, Molly, Emma and Kai for making the set design and all of the props!!!***

***A big thank you to Mrs Bonner for leading on the choreography and Miss Sadler and Mrs Murray for giving their time to help with the technical support.***



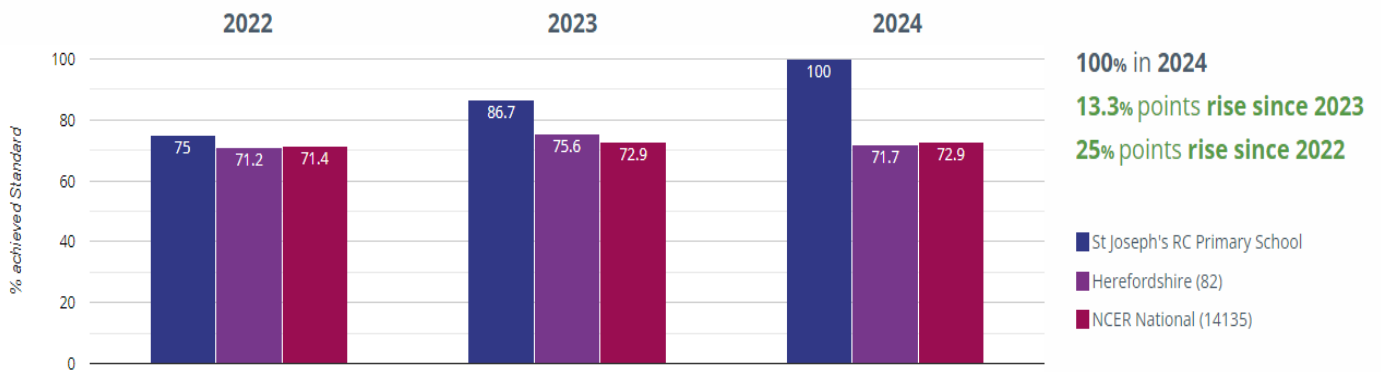




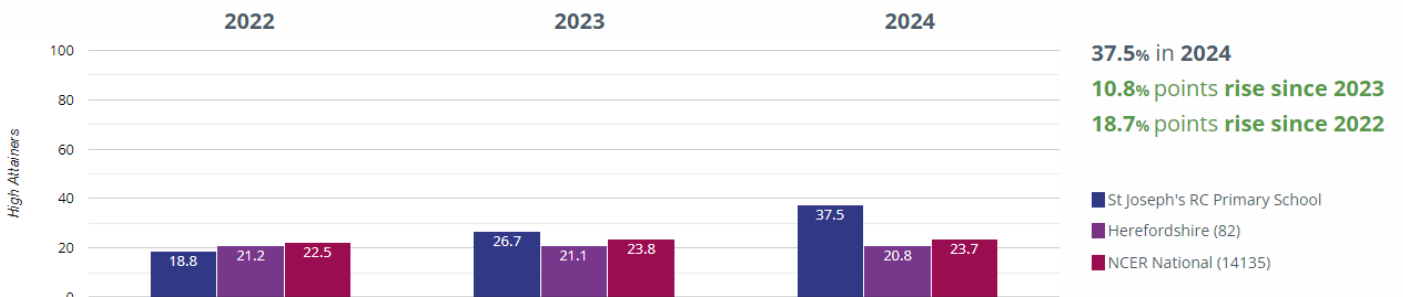
**Please see below all of our statutory data outcomes for this academic year. We have included Herefordshire and National outcomes and so you can compare them against St Joseph's. We are extremely proud of everyone's hard work!**

**MATHS KEY STAGE 2**

**Maths - achieved standard**

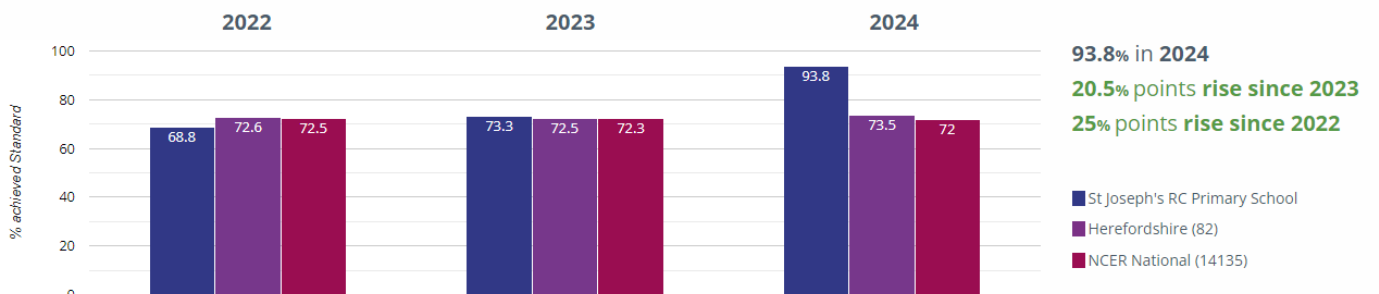


**Maths - high attainers**

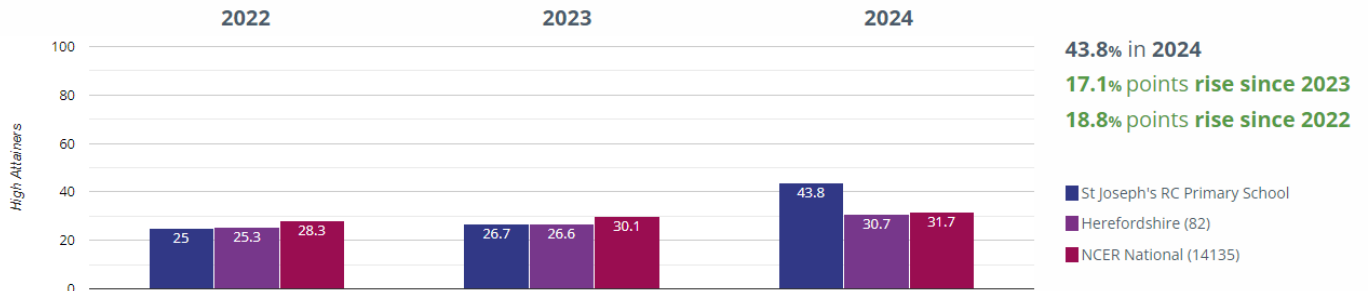


**SPELLING, PUNCTUATION AND GRAMMAR**

**GPS - achieved standard**

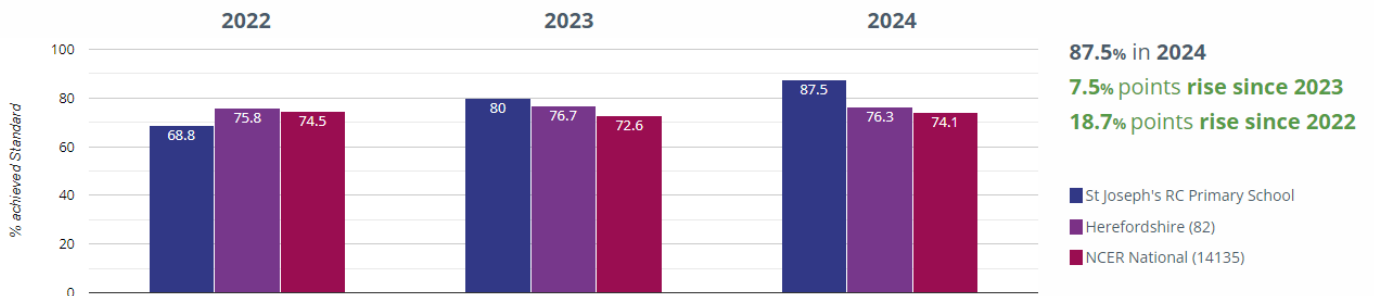


## GPS - high attainers

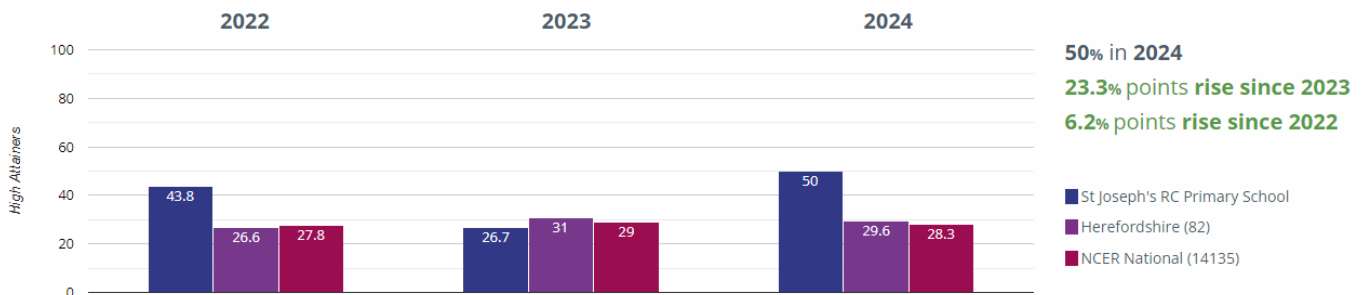


### READING KEY STAGE 2

## Reading - achieved standard

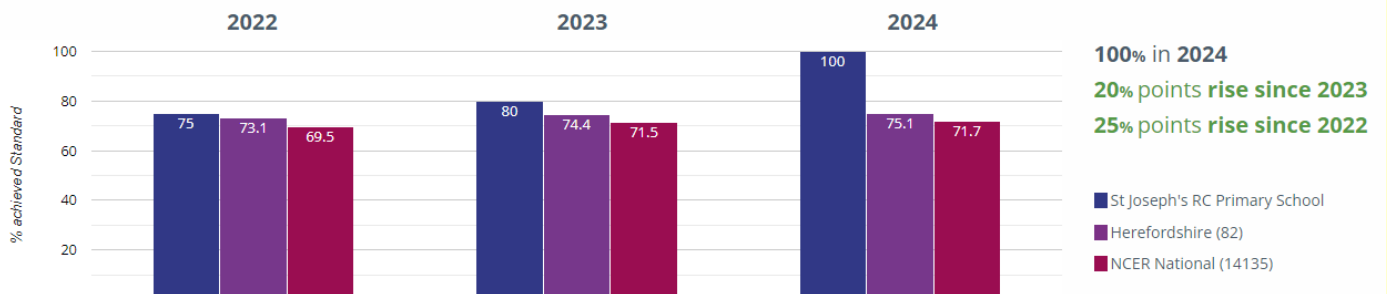


## Reading - high attainers

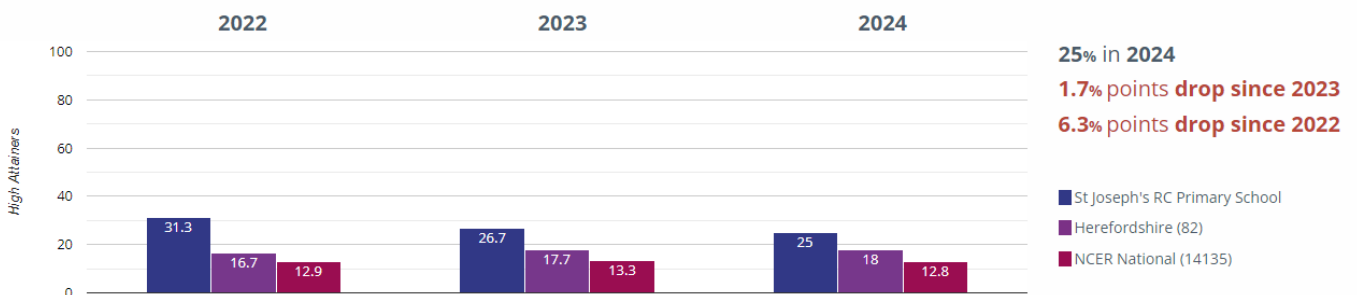


### READING KEY STAGE 2

## Writing - achieved standard

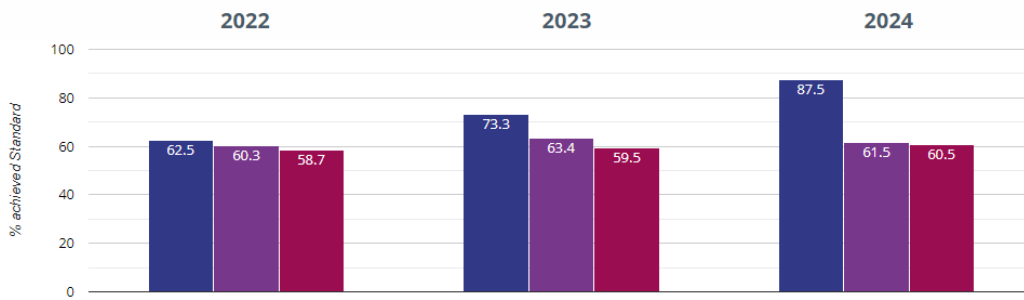


## Writing - high attainers



## KEY STAGE 2 READING, WRITING AND MATHS COMBINED

### RWM - achieved standard



87.5% in 2024

14.2% points rise since 2023

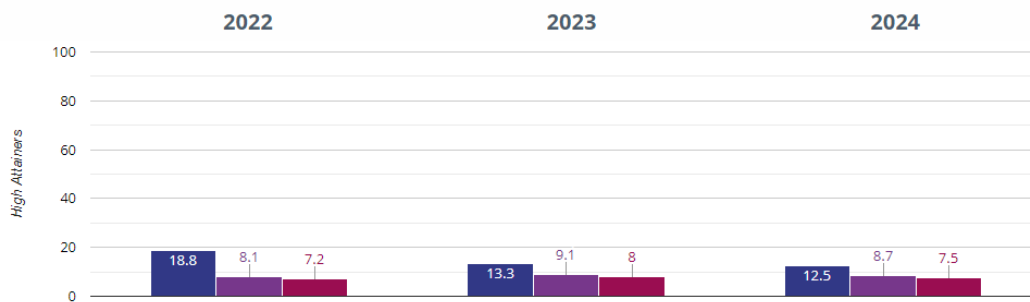
25% points rise since 2022

■ St Joseph's RC Primary School

■ Herefordshire (82)

■ NCER National (14135)

### RWM - high attainers



12.5% in 2024

0.8% points drop since 2023

6.3% points drop since 2022

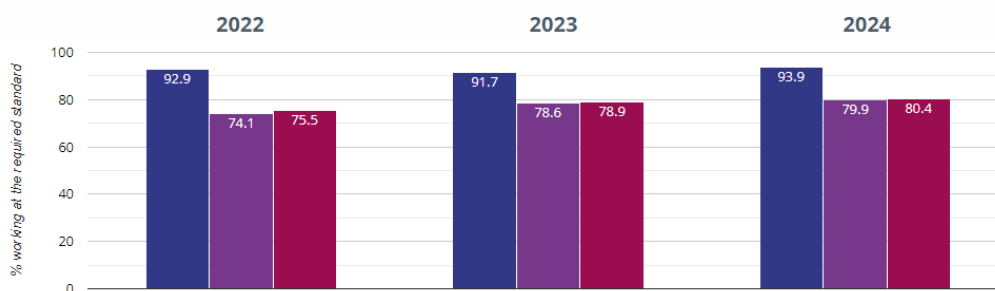
■ St Joseph's RC Primary School

■ Herefordshire (82)

■ NCER National (14135)

## YEAR 1 PHONICS SCREENING CHECK

### Year 1: Working At



93.9% in 2024

2.2% points rise since 2023

1% points rise since 2022

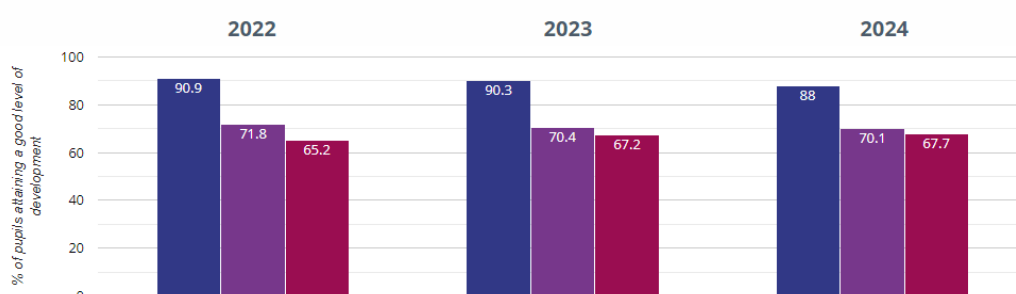
■ St Joseph's RC Primary School

■ Herefordshire (81)

■ NCER National (15680)

## RECEPTION—GOOD LEVEL OF DEVELOPMENT

### ★ Good Level Of Development



88% in 2024

2.3% points drop since 2023

2.9% points drop since 2022

■ St Joseph's RC Primary School

■ Herefordshire (84)

■ NCER National (16791)

# ॐ Hinduism

In Big Ben Class the children have been exploring Hinduism. They looked at many interesting books, photographs and special objects relating to the Hindu faith. In particular we learnt about Raksha Bandhan. This is a popular Hindu festival that celebrates the bond between brothers and sisters. It happens every year at the end of August. Hindus in India and around the world celebrate Raksha Bandhan in lots of different ways. The children then decorated a Rakhi bracelet. This is traditional Indian wrist band which is a symbol of love between brothers and sisters.



# Great Job!

***We have achieved the School Games Award—Gold standard for the third consecutive year! This is a fantastic achievement and recognises the importance we place on sports, team work and commitment. Our children have participated in many fixtures throughout the year and can always be relied upon to be exemplary ambassadors for St Joseph's.***



**Black Mountain**  
ELEVATE YOUR BRAND

**NEW UNIFORM SUPPLIER  
IN ROSS ON WYE!**

***In September the children will return in their winter uniforms (not summer dresses for the girls).***

***We now have our own school uniform supplier based in Ross on Wye.***

***Black Mountain, Unit C, Beaver Centre, Ashburton Industrial Estate, Ross on Wye, HR9 7BW. 01989 566364***

***Please note, tramline hair cuts/styles are not acceptable at St Joseph's. Thank you as always for your continued support to maintain our high expectations.***



**T H A N K  
Y O U**

**A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who came along to support our Summer fayre last Friday. We managed to raise a total of £1850.50. We are so grateful for everybody's help. Without the hard work of our FSJ we wouldn't be able to do all of the amazing things we do here at St Joseph's and so thank you!**



## **GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK**

*Good  
& Bye  
& Good  
Luck*

***This week we said goodbye and good luck to Mr Gunter.***

***We are sad to be saying goodbye after six years at St Joseph's but we wish him the best of luck at his new school! Thank you!***



***This week we said goodbye and good luck to Mr Williams.***

***Mr Williams will be starting his teacher training in September. He's had lots of experience during his time with us and is now ready to embark upon this new challenge! Good Luck- you'll be great!***



***This week we said goodbye and good luck to Onique. We thank her for her time and energy in creating some beautiful displays with the help of our children. Good luck for the future!***



# YEAR 1 VISIT TO COTSWOLD FARM PARK!

*On Wednesday the children had a wonderful day at Cotswold Farm Park to celebrate the end of the school year. The children enjoyed seeing all the rare breed animals and feeding them. They were able to hold baby chicks and stroke rabbits. They listened to an interesting talk about different animals and looked at a variety of eggs including an emu and ostrich egg.*

*The highlight though was definitely the bouncy pillow!*





# Garden Club



***This week for our final gardening club of the year we reaped the rewards of our planting by harvesting our peas, potatoes and the remainder of our broad beans and we all enjoyed talking about how they could be cooked to eat at home. We checked the size of our carrot and parsnip ahead of harvesting on our return in September and cleared out the rest of radish that had bolted to make room for the beetroot to grow. We planted out our sweetcorn and talked about pollination and the importance of bees with it being 'Bees need week' it was the perfect time! We admired the flowers on our runner bean plants and look forward to Roy updating us about how they grow over summer on our return. Finally, a huge thank you to everyone that came to our stall at the summer fayre, we really enjoyed talking to everyone about what we do and we managed to raise a staggering £143 which will fund our gardening club projects next year! The plants that we didn't manage to sell will be planted around school and some donated to charity shops in town.***



## **Nursery Graduation!**

**A message from Mrs Lerego...**

**We have had a wonderful last week of term in Nursery!**

**The Oakleaves were amazing at the graduation this morning and had a great send off! Thank you to all the parent's for coming and all the children for the lovely performance.**

**Have a great Summer!**



**All the Oakleaves!**



**Vacancy for Nursery  
Assistant  
September 2024**

**This is an exciting opportunity for an experienced childcare professional to join our St Joseph's Nursery team. We require someone who shares our vision to be wonderful in every way. Someone who is bursting with enthusiasm and great ideas. You will have a natural affinity with parent partnerships and be focused on delivering excellent standards of care and education to our children.**

**Qualifications and Skills**

**Requirements are NVQ Level 3 or above CCLD (we would consider an applicant working towards Level 3 or above)**

**Start Date: Week Commencing 2nd September 2024**

**Closing date: 12th July 2024**

**Interview date: 20th August 2024**

**Hours per week: 32 hours per week, Monday-Friday between the hours of 7:45am – 4.30pm**

**Salary Scale: HC3**

**Contract: Fixed Term with a view to being permanent.**

**St Joseph's Catholic Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children; successful applicants will need to provide 'right to work in the UK' documentation, undertake a DBS and be able to provide two satisfactory references.**

**Visits to our setting are warmly welcome prior to application. Please call 01989 564655 to arrange a suitable time.**

# Dates to Remember



Monday 9th September	All Extra Curricular activities start
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	Fairtrade Fortnight begins
Wednesday 11th September	Year 5 swimming lessons start
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	Curriculum Presentation to Parents and meet the teacher from 3:00pm
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> September	New Term Mass - Archbishop Visiting
Tuesday 17th September	Turn up Tuesday with Mrs Gurney – SENDIASS visiting @ 1:30pm
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	Phonics workshop for Reception parents @ 3:30pm
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Welcome back BBQ whole school on the field from 3:30pm
Tuesday 24th September	Year 2 Community Gardens Visit PM
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Kinteract workshop for all parents @ 3:30pm
Tuesday 1st October	Year 3 Community Gardens Visit PM
Tuesday 8th October	Turn up Tuesday with Mrs Gurney – School nurse visiting @ 1:30pm
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Assembly @ 2:00pm
Tuesday 8th October	Year 4 Community Gardens Visit PM
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	School Photo Day
Tuesday 15th October	Year 5 Community Gardens Visit PM
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	FSJ Pumpkin Party
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Break up for half term



**Happy Birthday to Mimo in year 2, who celebrated his 7th birthday on 11th July. Happy Birthday to Ariana who will be celebrating her 5th birthday on Sunday 14th July.**

**A very Happy Birthday to all of our children who will be celebrating their birthdays during the summer holidays!!! Wishing you all a very happy time celebrating with family and friends!**



**Mr Smith and his team are really looking forward to welcoming families to our Summer Holiday Club! It's going to be an action packed 7 weeks!**



ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

**SUMMER HOLIDAY Club**

MONDAY 15TH JULY TO FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST

holidayclub@st-josephs.hereford.sch.uk 01989 564655

<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>Aiden G</b>
<b>BIG BEN</b>	<b>Callan A</b>
<b>EVEREST</b>	<b>Jacob A</b>
<b>BLUE LAGOON</b>	<b>Archie Br</b>
<b>ARC DE TRIOMPHE</b>	<b>Mia O</b>
<b>MOSI OA TUNYA</b>	<b>Back next term!</b>
<b>ANGEL FALLS</b>	<b>Back next term!</b>



<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>94.23%</b>
<b>BIG BEN</b>	<b>86.67%</b>
<b>EVEREST</b>	<b>97.5%</b>
<b>BLUE LAGOON</b>	<b>96.3%</b>
<b>ARC DE TRIOMPH</b>	<b>93.04%</b>
<b>MOSI OA TUNYA</b>	<b>93.64%</b>
<b>ANGEL FALLS</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>LIBERTY</b>	<i>Lahna B</i>
<b>BIG BEN</b>	<i>Darcie L</i>
<b>EVEREST</b>	<i>Elia E</i>
<b>BLUE LAGOON</b>	<i>Zelda H</i>
<b>ARC DE TRIOMPH</b>	<i>Livia L</i>
<b>MOSI OA TUNYA</b>	<i>Back next term!</i>
<b>ANGEL FALLS</b>	<i>Back next term!</i>



<b>LIBERTY</b>	<i>Whole Class for being stars!</i>
<b>BIG BEN</b>	<i>Zach MW Bella B</i>
<b>EVEREST</b>	<i>Dexter W Isla H</i>
<b>BLUE LAGOON</b>	<i>Karla, Immy, Guste, Harrison, Cece &amp; Tilly</i>
<b>ARC DE TRIOMPH</b>	<i>Oskaras J Olcan W</i>
<b>MOSI OA TUNYA</b>	<i>Dandreï M Rugile J</i>
<b>ANGEL FALLS</b>	<i>Year 6 for their Assembly!</i>

<b>LIBERTY</b>	<i>Oscar H</i>
<b>BIG BEN</b>	<i>Sophia E</i>
<b>EVEREST</b>	<i>Emmy R</i>
<b>BLUE LAGOON</b>	<i>Eli B</i>
<b>ARC DE TRIOMPH</b>	<i>Sofia M</i>
<b>MOSI OA TUNYA</b>	<i>Back next term!</i>
<b>ANGEL FALLS</b>	<i>Back next term!</i>

Enjoy your Summer and we look forward to seeing everyone back to school on **Wednesday 4th September 2024.**

God Bless

Mrs Francis

