

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

Matthew 7:12

22/9/23

Dear Family,

We have had a great week here in school. The children are keen to talk about their new topics and the learning taking place. On Wednesday lunchtime, Mr Mason met with our 'Curriculum Ambassadors' to discuss what's happening in Science lessons in their classes and the topics they are focusing on for this half term. The children enjoyed presenting their work books and were proud to share their learning outcomes from the last few weeks.

We started our topic by sorting electrical items according to their power source.

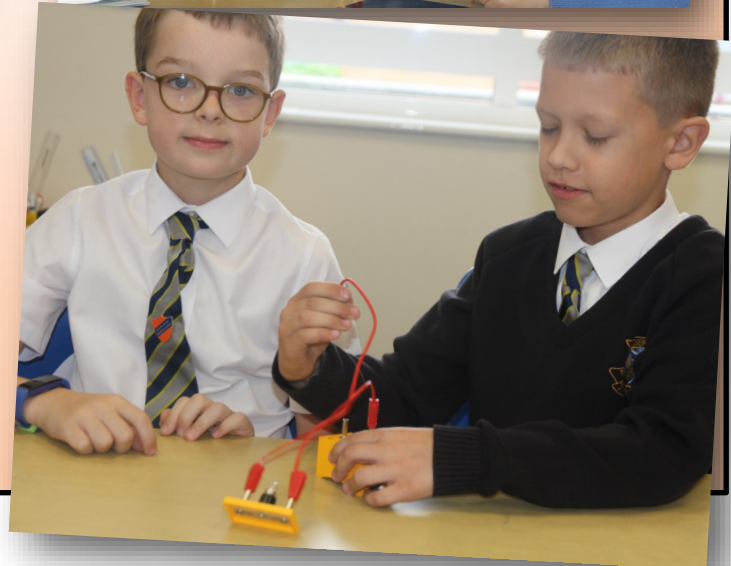
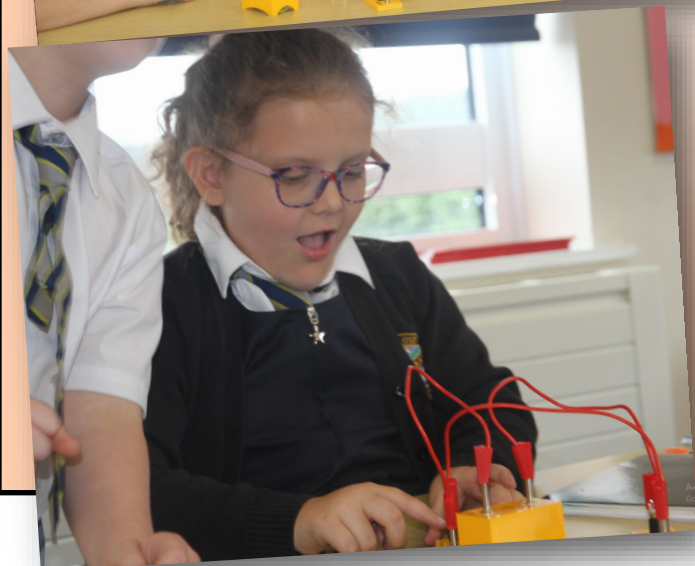
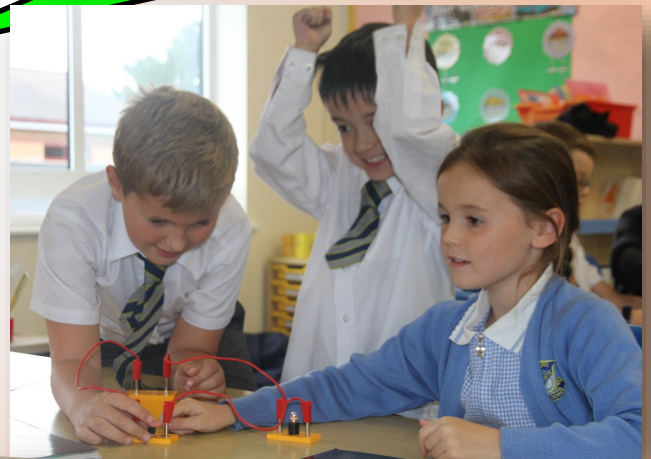
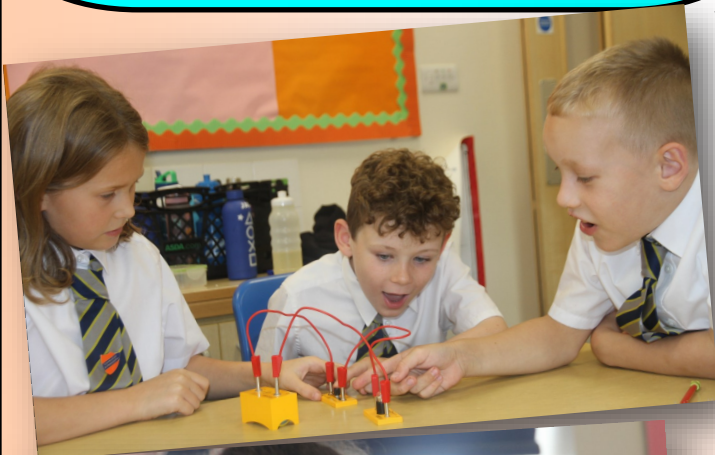
We then discussed the reasons why we had grouped them into these categories.

I really like this topic so far!

Ruby Year 4

We've been learning about electrical circuits. We had the challenge of identifying circuits that would light up the bulb and those that wouldn't. We then had to explain our reasons.

Leo Year 4

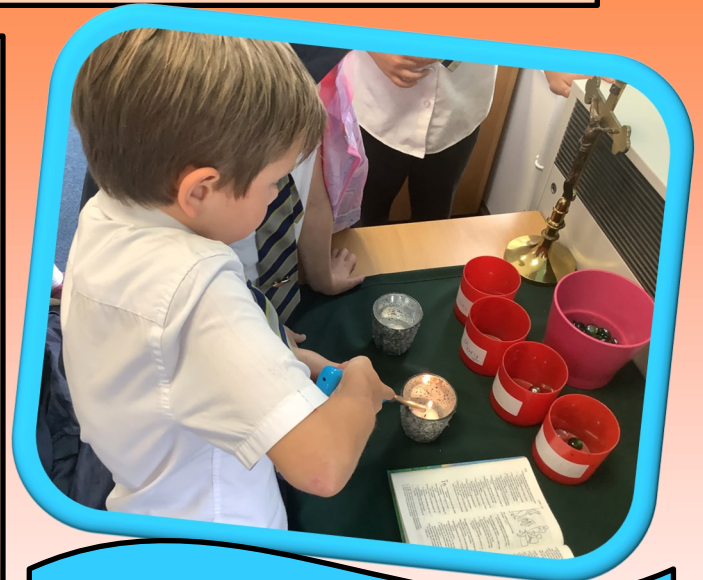


OUR CURRICULUM IN ACTION THIS WEEK!

We would like to share with you a window into our curriculum here at St Joseph's during a typical week.

When visiting classes it's wonderful to see all of the children engaged and challenged in their learning.

This term we welcome Mr Cosnett, our specialist music teacher.



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP TIME



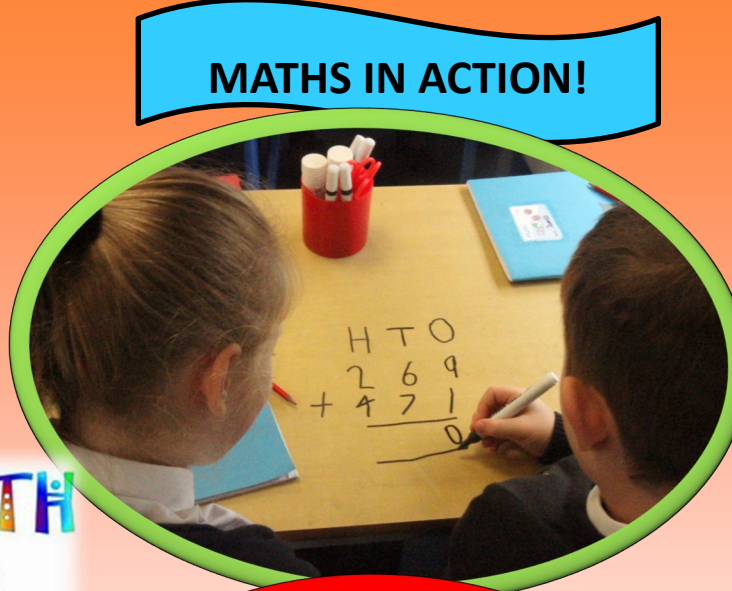
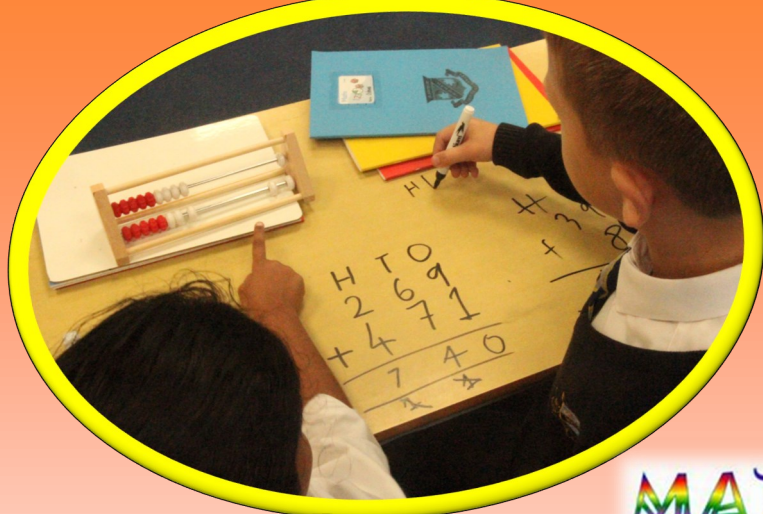
MUSIC WITH MR COSNETT



DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

Treat others as you would like to be treated.

MATHS IN ACTION!



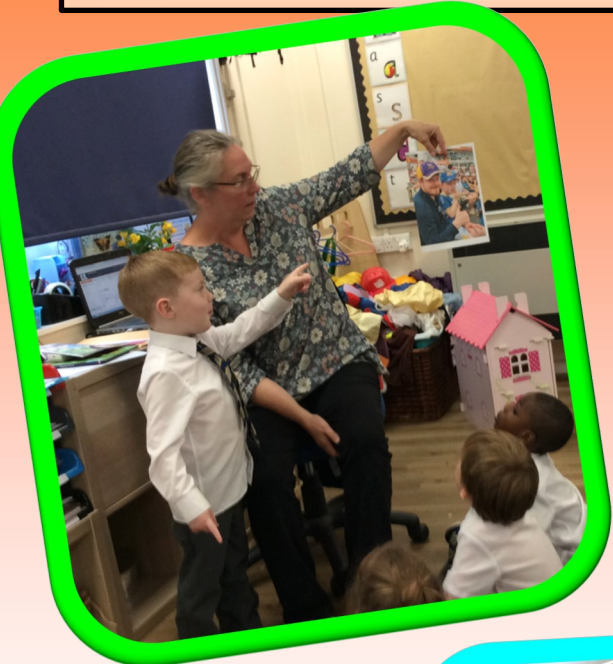
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FUN!



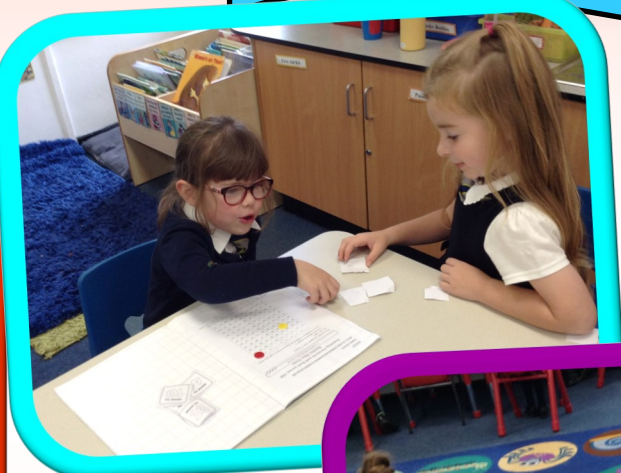
PE IN ACTION!



OUR CURRICULUM IN ACTION THIS WEEK!



ALL ABOUT ME AND MY FAMILY...



MORE MATHS!



Treat others as you would be treated.

COOKING CLUB WITH MR BARLOW AND MISS SADLER...

The children had a great time in Cooking Club this week where they made chocolate chip and raisin flapjacks!





CURRICULUM EVENINGS



Next week we will be holding Curriculum evenings on the following days at the following times in your child's classroom:

Monday 25th September Reception Class @ 3:30pm

Monday 25th September Year 3 @ 4:00pm

Tuesday 26th September Year 1 @ 3:30pm

Tuesday 26th September Year 5 and 6 @ 4:00pm

Wednesday 27th September Year 2 @ 3:30pm

Wednesday 27th September year 4 @ 4:00pm

During this time class teachers will share with you, your child's learning journey for this academic year and the objectives they will be working towards achieving across all curriculum areas. We look forward to welcoming you then.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER!

The school photographer will be visiting on Monday 25th September to take individual and sibling photos. If you would like siblings who attend other settings to have their photo taken with children at St Joseph's please contact the school office and so we can accommodate this for you.



COME FOR
COFFEE
IT'S FOR MACMILLAN

Next Friday afternoon, we will be hosting a coffee afternoon in school from 2:00pm, in support of Macmillan. Please come along and support us for this worthwhile cause. You can also pop in after pick up for a coffee and a catch up. Cake donations are warmly welcome!

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EXCELLENT COURSE FOR PARENTS

Small changes,
big differences.



FREE Standard Triple P Takes the guesswork out of parenting

New positive parenting course starts soon...

What Triple P can do for you:

- Encourage behaviour you like
- Deal with problem behaviour
- Become confident as a parent
- Be realistic about parenting
- Take care of yourself

DATE: Starts on – Monday 25th of September 2023

DURATION – 7 weeks

DAYTIME: (09:30 – 11:30)

Taking place at St Joseph's RC Primary School - Ross on Wye

The course is being run by:

Carolynn Quinn – Paula Fisher

BOOKINGS AND INFORMATION: Course is 7 sessions long (2 sessions are by phone). This is a free course for parents, caregivers or guardians of children between the ages of 2- 11.

Booking and information – Please email parentinggroups@herefordshire.gov.uk

The Triple P is a parenting programme, but it doesn't tell you how to be a parent. It's a toolbox of ideas. You choose the strategies you need. You choose the way you want to use them. It's all about making Triple P work for you. Please let Mrs Gurney (our SENCo) know if you would like to attend this course.

FSJ NEWS!



The Friends of St Joseph's RC Primary School (FSJ) and all the children would like to thank you for your generous donation for our Summer Fayre. The Fayre was held on Saturday 8th July and the raffle was a great success.

Through the kindness of donations and support from families and our local community we managed to raise £1688.00. We are a small PTA charity and aim to raise important funds for our school community, so this amount is a great help to our mission.

We really appreciate your kindness and support.

Kind regards,

Friends of St Josephs

(Parent Teacher Association)

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS!

Today we have sent home letters from our School Council regarding our Sponsored Silence, that we will be taking part in on Monday 16th October. We're all looking forward to this challenge!



Treat others as you would like to



HALF TERM HOLIDAY *Club*

**30TH OCT TO
3RD NOV 2023**

Monday to Friday
9am-3pm

Join us for a half term of endless fun and fabulous activities!

Whether building, crafting, painting or sports, each day brings new surprises, friendships, and unforgettable moments.

Book your child's place now!

2-11 YEARS

Breakfast club from 8am.
Wrap around care till
5.30pm

**UNIQUE THEMES
EVERY DAY**

Snacks and drinks provided
throughout the day
(Cooked or packed lunches also
available at an additional cost)

CONTACT US

01989 564655

holidays@st-josephs-henford.sch.uk



St Joseph's RC Primary School

Family Art Afternoon!

**You are cordially invited to join Miss Jenn
for an afternoon of Art!**

**We will create fabric scrap bowls and play
around with watercolour techniques.**

When: Saturday 14th October from 1-4

Where: St Joseph's Sports Hall

Cost: £3/person or £10/family of 4

All supplies included

RSVP to the office please,

Limited Spaces Available

- **This is a half termly activity, the next theme will be a Christmas Crafternoon! Date TBC.**

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ART

WITH MISS JENN THIS WEEK...



In Art Club we learnt about colour and light! We used a prism to witness white light splitting into a rainbow and discussed how in nature, white is all colours. We reviewed primary colours and how they combine to create secondary colours. We then used a wet-on-wet watercolour technique to mix primary colours (often creating tertiary colours as well!). Finally, we wrapped up the session by creating our own beaded crystal sun catchers so we can observe rainbows in our homes anytime the sun shines. Next week, we will experiment with how in art, black is all colours with a chromatography activity.

Year 2 created monoprint art work based on Sanna Annukka's birds for the Art Exhibition and Sale coming in November. The children began by drawing a design then transferring it to a piece of printing foam then they chose an ink colour and used a brayer to spread the ink across the printing plate before putting the plate on a piece of paper and then used their hands as a barren to rub small circles on the back of the paper to transfer the ink and create a single print of their drawing.

Year 4 continued their Kapow drawing lessons, getting very messy hands as they used charcoal as their artistic medium to create tone and proportion whilst drawing a still life.





This week we say Happy Birthday to Phoebe in Year 6 who turned 11 on Tuesday . Happy Birthday to David in Year 3, who turned 8 on Wednesday.

Happy Birthday to Edward in Year 5 who is celebrating his 10th birthday today!

Happy Birthday to River in Reception who is celebrating his 5th birthday on Saturday. Wishing them all a very Happy weekend celebrating with family and friends!



HEALTH Y SNACKS



To promote a healthy lifestyle and ensure we are managing our '5 a day', from Monday we will be having a tuck shop during break times. During morning breaktimes the School Council be selling 'snack pots' for 50p each. These pots will contain a variety of fresh fruits or vegetables.

We look forward to our new venture!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY THIS TERM...

Monday 25 th September	School photographer visiting
Monday 25 th —Wednesday 27 th September	Curriculum Evening @ 3:30pm
Thursday 28 th September	Beginning of Term Mass
Friday 29 th September	Macmillan Coffee Afternoon
Friday 1 st – 31 st October	Month of the Holy Rosary
Friday 1 st – 31 st October	Black History Month
Friday 6 th October	Sublime Science Workshop Day
Monday 9 th October	Harvest Festival
Friday 13 th October	Cheltenham Literature Festival for years 1 and 2
Tuesday 17 th October	Year 4 visiting Ross Community Gardens
Thursday 19 th October	Reception Class visit Perrygrove Railway
Tuesday 24 th October	Nursery visiting Ross Community Gardens
Wednesday 25 th October	Year 1 Great Fire of London Workshop Day
Friday 27 th October	FSJ – Pumpkin Party
Friday 27 th October	School closes for half term

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NURSERY IN ACTION!

A MESSAGE FROM MRS LEREGO

This week in Nursery we have been talking about our emotions. The children have loved making different faces connected to different emotions and using our feelings board.

We have made some wonderful creations with our den building materials - dens, cars and a bus!

We loved art with Miss. Jenn creating sun catchers on waxed paper mixing primary colours of acrylic paint. The wonderment of observing as colours mixed and silkily glided across the surface was topped only by choosing where to place the frame around their creation. We then held them up to the window to see the light shine through highlighting the colours.

We are looking forward to our forest school session this afternoon with Richard!



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Star of the week is Medeea. Well done for coming into Nursery all week so happily!

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ATTENDANCE



School success starts
with attendance

It is important that we develop a positive attitude to school attendance and punctuality so that our children do not miss out on the opportunities at school. These qualities of reliability are also important in adult life.

Missing school prevents children from building essential learning blocks of skills and knowledge and prevents them from making educational links.

Please note that any unauthorised absence can result in the issuing of a Penalty Notice by Herefordshire Council. Thank you in advance for working together with us to achieve the best possible outcomes for our children.

PARKING

Parking in the Conservative Club at drop off and pick up times is for the use of paying permit holders and Club members only. I have received an email this week from the club's secretary asking if we would remind parents that they are not to use the car park unless they have an up to date permit. Thanks for your support in this matter.

HARVEST COLLECTION



From Monday 25th September we will be starting our harvest collection. If you are able to, please could you donate tins of food and other non perishable items, via the school office. Thank you in advance for your support in this.

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Garden Club

A message from Mrs Hodges...

In a rather wet gardening club this week, the children were all surprised to see how much our seeds from last week had grown already! We used our pots that we took away to decorate last week to plant some daffodil bulbs to take home and look after. We also sowed some pak choi and look forward to seeing how those grow. We talked about the importance of preparation before planting and we all had a go at pulling some weeds up from a small spot in the garden seeing who could get the longest root! We then sprinkled our harvested poppy seeds there.



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*St Joseph's Art
Exhibition & Sale*

*6th and 7th of November
2023 in the Sports
Hall.*

*After your parent's evening,
please come and take a look at
the beautiful creations made
by our talented pupils! All
artwork will be for sale,
proceeds to go towards pupil
enrichment at St Joseph's.
Beautiful artwork makes a
great gift!*



**ROYAL WRITER
OF
THE WEEK!**



LIBERTY	99.1%
BIG BEN	95.7%
EVEREST	99.5%
BLUE LAGOON	99.6%
ARC DE TRIOMPH	100%
MOSI OA TUNYA	95.5%
ANGEL FALLS	100%

LIBERTY	<i>Phoebe B</i>
BIG BEN	<i>Darcie-Louise</i>
EVEREST	<i>Defne</i>
BLUE LAGOON	<i>Zelda</i>
ARC DE TRIOMPH	<i>Otto</i>
MOSI OA TUNYA	<i>Darcey</i>
ANGEL FALLS	<i>Archie W</i>



LIBERTY	<i>Antony Arthur H</i>
BIG BEN	<i>Jack Guy</i>
EVEREST	<i>Jessie Viktor</i>
BLUE LAGOON	<i>Tilly-Rose Henry B</i>
ARC DE TRIOMPH	<i>Logan Jake</i>
MOSI OA TUNYA	<i>Joseph Freya HD</i>
ANGEL FALLS	<i>Daniela Leo</i>

LIBERTY	<i>Oscar</i>
BIG BEN	<i>Poppy</i>
EVEREST	<i>Hunter</i>
BLUE LAGOON	<i>Abigail</i>
ARC DE TRIOMPH	<i>Bradley</i>
MOSI OA TUNYA	<i>Luke</i>
ANGEL FALLS	<i>Daisy-Mai</i>

Have a lovely weekend.
God Bless
Mrs Francis

