

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

Matthew 7:12

27/6/25



Dear Family,

On Monday we launched the week with our 'Move up Morning'. This was a great start to the week, where our children spent the morning with their new teachers in readiness for September.

At the end of the year we say goodbye to Mr Patel, who has been a great asset to St Joseph's during the last two years and will be greatly missed by all of us. He's brought a wealth of experience to our school family and we really appreciate it! We wish him the very best for the future— thanks again Mr. Patel.

Mrs Murray and Miss Steiner will be joining the senior leadership team, in the role of Assistant Headteachers and together we look forward to driving school improvement. Mr. Smith will be in school on Fridays too.

In September we welcome a new member of staff to the team—Miss Sprawson. Miss Sprawson is an experienced practitioner who has been teaching for over twenty years. She will be working with years 2 and 5 Tuesday to Thursday alongside Mrs Murray and Miss Steiner.

The next few weeks are going to be extremely busy, with lots of exciting events to look forward to. Please make a note of dates and timings for events in your child's class.



We have partnered with Age UK Wyvern to collect clothes donations to sell in their shop in Gloucester Road, Ross on Wye. We need our families help so that Age UK Wyvern can build its services for the pensioners of Ross on Wye. Every donation counts whether it's a £10 shirt which funds an hour of befriending or a £25 donation for an hour of Information and advice

And better still.....50% of sales income generated from donations each month will be given to St Joseph's, for our new outdoor learning area. You can monitor our progress on our own fundraising page here

[Age UK Wyvern: Fundraising for people from 6 to 60](#)

To help, simply bag up your unwanted items print and complete the Gift Aid form and pop it into the bag and bring your items to the school office. Printed forms are available from the school office too. Thank you as always for your continued support!

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We're all moving

UP!

The new Year 1



The new Year 2



# The new Year 3



# The new Year 4



# The new Year 5



# The new Year 6



**THANK YOU!**

**A BIG THANK YOU to the Griffiths family for helping us raise money to our much needed outdoor learning space. On Sunday they collected £105.76 at the band station. Thank you again—every penny helps!**

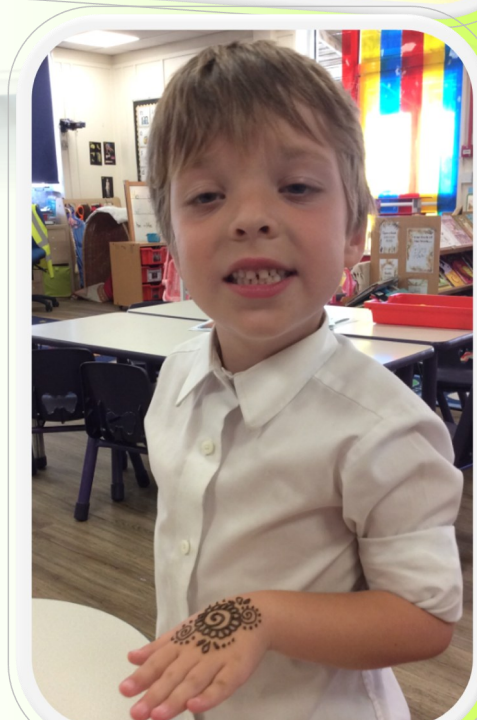




**This week, our Reception children have been learning all about Eid-Al-Fitr as part of Islam Week. We explored how Muslim families celebrate this special time with family, food, gifts – and beautiful henna patterns!**

**The children loved designing their very own mendi (henna) patterns, using shapes and swirls to create stunning designs. Then came the highlight – Miss Sadler even used real henna to decorate some of our hands!**

**It was a fantastic way to learn about different cultures and traditions – and our hands have never looked so fabulous!**





As part of our Other Faiths Week, we had the privilege of visiting an Islamic Mosque, where we were warmly welcomed by our host, Kalsoom. The visit was a resounding success and offered a meaningful opportunity to deepen our understanding of Islam and the values it upholds.

Kalsoom shared her personal experiences of being a Muslim, giving us a heartfelt insight into how her faith brings her peace, purpose, and a strong sense of community.

Her openness and sincerity helped us connect with the teachings of Islam on a more personal level.

This experience not only broadened our knowledge of Islam but also encouraged us to reflect on the values of respect, understanding, and unity among different faiths. It reminded us of the importance of dialogue and learning in building a more inclusive and compassionate society.

We are deeply grateful to Kalsoom and the mosque community for their hospitality and for sharing their faith with us so generously.







# Garden Club

Happy gardeners today were greeted with fresh sweet peas to eat. They were delicious! We then planted campanula blue bloomers. Strawberries were planted in small pots for next year's soft fruit garden. Our final planting project was beautiful Iris' from our very own Roy's garden at home. He showed us how important it is to keep the rye zone exposed to sunshine in order to bear the most beautiful flowers!



# Cooking Club

This week at Cooking Club, the children helped to bake raspberry and white chocolate chip muffins. The children first started by combining all the ingredients together into the bowl before adding eggs to bring the mixture together. We then added the white chocolate chips before spooning the mixture into muffin cases. We then popped in a few raspberries, so they stayed whole, before putting them into the oven to bake.





*A message from Mrs Lerego....*

**We have been getting messy this week! The children loved their session with Miss. Jenn - paint covered whisk spinning!**

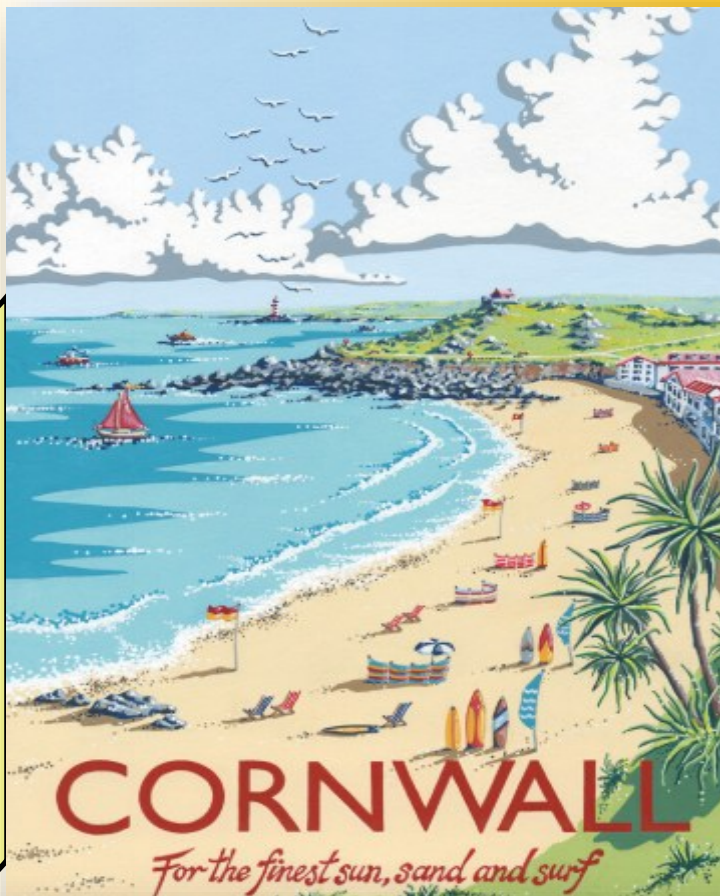
**The babies have been creating handprint fish and the Acorns and Oakleaves loved exploring the messy Ice cream tray!**





**...COMING  
NEXT WEEK!**

Next Monday 30th June, Year 5 and 6 are venturing to Cornwall for their end of year residential. This will be a fantastic adventure and everyone is so excited! We will be leaving school at 8:00am prompt. Please remember to bring a packed lunch, morning snack and filled water bottle. We will be sure to keep our families updated during our trip.



On Wednesday 2nd July all of our year 3 and 4 children will be participating in the Herefordshire School Games at Herefords Leisure Centre. This will be an amazing opportunity for our children to represent St Joseph's in a range of different sports and interact with other children from all over the county. On this day the children will need to be in school for 8:15am, ready to leave for 8:30am. They will need to be wearing their school PE kits and have a packed lunch and filled water bottle. We look forward to this exciting event!

A letter has been emailed to parents.

HEREFORDSHIRE  
SCHOOL  
GAMES

PARENT

VOICE

Next Thursday 3rd July at 2pm, is our Parent Voice meeting. This will be the last meeting of the academic year. On this occasion all parents are welcome to attend. Governors will be leading the meeting with Mr Patel. If you would like to add an item to the agenda please speak to your parent voice representative.

# Summer Term

<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Year 5 and 6 Residential to Cornwall– be at school for 7:45am</b>
<b>Wednesday 2nd July</b>	<b>Years 3 and 4 @ The School Games Herefordshire—be at school for 8:15am</b>
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Year 1 Cattle Country—be at school for 8:10am</b>
<b>Wednesday 9th July</b>	<b>Year 2 trip to the Beach—be at school for 8:45am</b>
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>End of Term Mass@ 10am—all families welcome</b>
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Year 6 Surprise Trip– be at school for</b>
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Annie the Musical Junior Performance@ 6pm Monmouth Savoy theatre</b>
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Nursery Graduation@ 2:30pm</b>
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Whole School Colour Run after lunch</b>
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Year 6 Leavers Assembly at 2:00pm</b>
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>End of Summer Term 3:30pm</b>



# Family Picnic

On Wednesday afternoon we had the best time at our Reception Teddy Bears' Picnic – and what a way to welcome our newest little stars!

The sun was shining, the teddies were cuddly, and the bouncy castle was a HUGE hit! From giggles in the sunshine to bouncing fun and tasty picnic treats, it was a perfect afternoon of smiles and excitement.

It was also so lovely to meet so many of our new Reception parents – thank you for coming along and sharing this special time with us.

We're already so excited for September – it's going to be a fantastic year ahead!



*Welcome  
Glad you're here!*







# June BIRTHDAYS

Wishing all our June birthdays a very Happy Birthday celebrating with family and friends!



<b>SWIFTIES</b>	<b>91.89%</b>
<b>ABBA</b>	<b>97.9%</b>
<b>FANTASIA</b>	<b>93.6%</b>
<b>ZIMMER</b>	<b>93.7%</b>
<b>ALISHA</b>	<b>93.33%</b>
<b>MIRANDA</b>	<b>99.13%</b>
<b>SHEERIOS</b>	<b>99.52%</b>

**ROSS-ON-WYE PARENTS...**

**COME JOIN THE ROSS RUGBY PUPS**

IS YOUR CHILD STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER? OR MOVING INTO YEAR 1?

WOULD YOU LIKE THEM TO LEARN TEAM WORK, COMMUNICATION SKILLS AND MOSTLY HAVE FUN AND A LOVE OF THE GAME!



**BOYS AND GIRLS WELCOME**

Come and meet Ross and Rosie Wye

RUGBY ALLOWS CHILDREN TO IMPROVE THEIR PHYSICAL HEALTH, DEVELOP SOCIAL SKILLS AND BUILD SELF ESTEEM AND CONFIDENCE. AT ROSS-ON-WYE RFC THEY WILL MEET LIFE LONG FRIENDS WHILE PLAYING A FANTASTIC SPORT!

COME AND BE PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER AND JOIN OUR FANTASTIC FAMILY CLUB

**SUNDAYS @ 10am from 7<sup>th</sup> September**

For more info check our Facebook and Instagram or email [info@rossrugby.co.uk](mailto:info@rossrugby.co.uk)






ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL



# SUMMER HOLIDAY

18TH JULY TO 29TH AUG  
(Except Bank Holiday)

# Club

 [admin@st-josephs.hereford.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-josephs.hereford.sch.uk)

 01989 564655

Please contact the school office to book your child's place.  
Places are filling up fast!

THERE IS  
*Always*  
SOMETHING TO BE  
*Thankful*  
FOR

Enjoy your  
weekend.

God Bless

Mrs Francis

Wishing you all  
Most Enjoyable

