

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

Matthew 7:12

21/3/25

Dear Family,

As always we've had another busy week, celebrating St Patrick's Day on Monday and St Joseph's Feast Day on Wednesday—both were successful events! Father Nick celebrated Mass with us for our school Feast Day and Parishioners from St Frances of Rome also joined us for this occasion— which was lovely.

Our Year 6 children are so excited to be wearing their leavers hoodies, which is always a memorable occasion, as they begin their count down with us... but we still have lots more amazing memories to make with them before July!

*It's your
time to shine*



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ST PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATIONS!

We started the week off with great excitement, celebrating St Patrick's Day! Everyone enjoyed coming to school wearing green, white and orange! Throughout the day the children enjoyed a variety of different activities. A BIG THANK YOU to Mrs Wilkes for leading us in the Irish dancing lessons—we all had a fun filled day!





St. Patrick's Day



ST JOSEPH'S FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS!

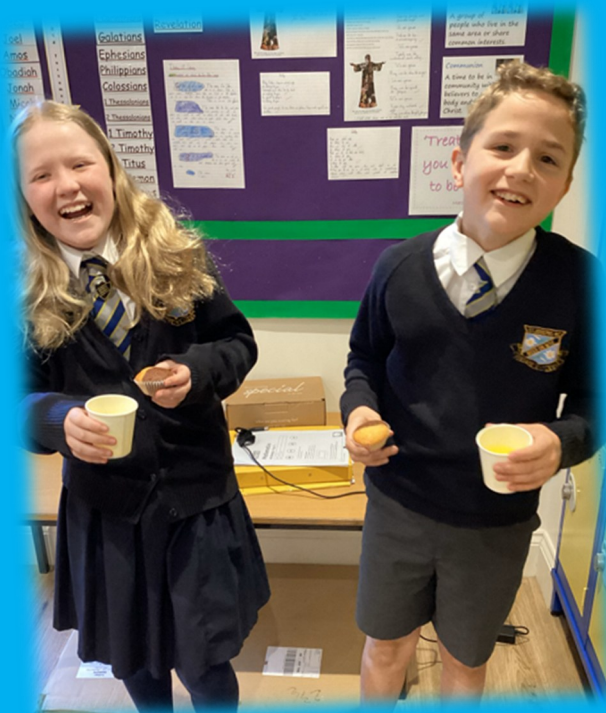
We had a wonderful day on Wednesday, celebrating our Patron Saint's Feast Day. We welcomed Father Nick and fellow parishioners of St Frances of Rome to celebrate Mass with us on this special day.



" May the Lord shower his blessings on you on St. Joseph's day and every step of your life "

St. Joseph's Day

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SAINT JOSEPH

Protect my family and me as you did the Holy Family. Kindly keep us ever united in the love of Christ, ever strong in imitation of the virtue of our Blessed Lady, and always faithful in devotion to you.

AMEN





This week at Cooking Club we made a fan favourite - jam and chocolate duffins! We started by melting our butter and combined this with our other wet ingredients. We then added our flour and sugar to make our duffin batter. We then layered into cases our batter and either jam or chocolate spread before popping these into the oven to bake.





Lots of excitement in gardening club this week! The sun shone brightly as we fed the birds,

sowed more seeds and checked on the progress of all our lovely plants growing. Roy showed us how to dig two drills (trenches) to sow our carrot seed directly into the ground. We then covered them in order for germination to happen over the next three weeks. We sowed sweetcorn in our greenhouse and made some room for sunflowers to be sown next week .

Happy gardening season everyone!



NURSERY IN ACTION THIS WEEK...

A MESSAGE FROM MRS LEREGO...

We have been making the most of the lovely weather this week!

Playing in the garden, looking for signs of Spring and taking photos of the things we find!

We loved making rainbow shakers with Miss. Jenn and Molly this week!

The Oakleaves have started their 'planned talk' in small groups this term, this will give them a good foundation for learning their first sounds in the Read, Write, Inc programme which we will start in the Summer term!





Forest School

**FOREST SCHOOL WITH
MRS BENNETT!**

On Wednesday, to celebrate Mrs Bennett completing her forest school training, Swift Class and the Oakleaves helped to make their own 'Forest School Medals' The children each safely learnt how to use a bow saw with Mrs Bennett and chopped their piece of wood for the medals. The children then decorated their medals and with Ms Dick, drilled a hole into the top of their medals to attach a piece of ribbon. The children listened beautifully at Forest School and stayed safe when using our tools - great work everyone!



**...COMING
NEXT WEEK!**

**Monday 24th
March**

We are looking forward to celebrating 'Shakespeare Week' next week. Throughout the week, as part of their English lessons, the children will be reading some important and beautiful examples of Shakespearean children's literature, including: The Tempest, Romeo and Juliet and A mid-summer Night's Dream to name a few..

**SHAKESPEARE
WEEK**

**Join our national
celebration**

CAKE SALE



Next Monday 24th March, Miss Steiner the children in Annie drama club will be holding a cake sale after school on the playground, to raise money towards their performance. Please come along and support us on this day if you are able to.

**Friday 28th
March**

Reception Class will be performing their class assembly on **Friday 28th March, at 2:30pm in the sports hall.**

We look forward to welcoming Reception families to this special event.

**Class
Assembly**

**YEAR 1 AND 2
DANCE**

**Save
The
Date!**

On Thursday 10th April, it will be the last dance lesson of the term for years 1 and 2. On this day, parents are welcome to come and watch the children showcase what they have been learning in their PE curriculum this term. This will take place in the sports hall at 2:30pm.

COMING SOON



Our Key Stage 2 children will be venturing to South Herefordshire Golf Club on **3rd and 4th April**, to experience playing golf on the driving range. A letter has been emailed to parents and consent can be made via parent pay. We are asking for £3.00 travel contribution for this event. We look forward to sharing the learning outcomes from this exciting event with you!



Scholastic Book Fair will be visiting us from 3rd—10th April. This will take place in the central area after school each day from 3:15pm—4:00pm.

FLAT STAN

FIRST AID



On **Monday 7th April** we will be completing 'Flat Stan First Aid workshops'. These are specifically designed for children aged 4 yrs to 11yrs. The aim is to teach younger children vital and essential first aid life skills. It is a brilliant programme- engaging, informative, fun and appropriate for the age group. We look forward to completing this important course as a school community.

SPRING TERM

Monday 24th March	Shakespeare Week
Friday 28th March	Reception Class Assembly
Thursday 3rd April	Years 3 and 4 Golf Experience Day
Friday 4th April	Years 5 and 6 Golf Experience Day
Monday 7th April	Flat Stan First Aid Day
Monday 7th— Wednesday 9th April	Bikeability Year 5
Thursday 10th April	End of Term Mass
Friday 11th April	FSJ Bounceathon
Friday 11th April	End of Spring term

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Mrs Amy Bennett for successfully completing her level 3 teaching assistant qualification and her Forest School Leader qualification! We are all super proud! Thank you for all your hard work at St Joseph's!



Mrs Preece is holding an Easter raffle on behalf of St Joseph's at The CO-OP in town. You are able to purchase strips for £1.00 from our school office or in the store. A huge thank you to Mrs Preece for organising this fundraising event for our school!

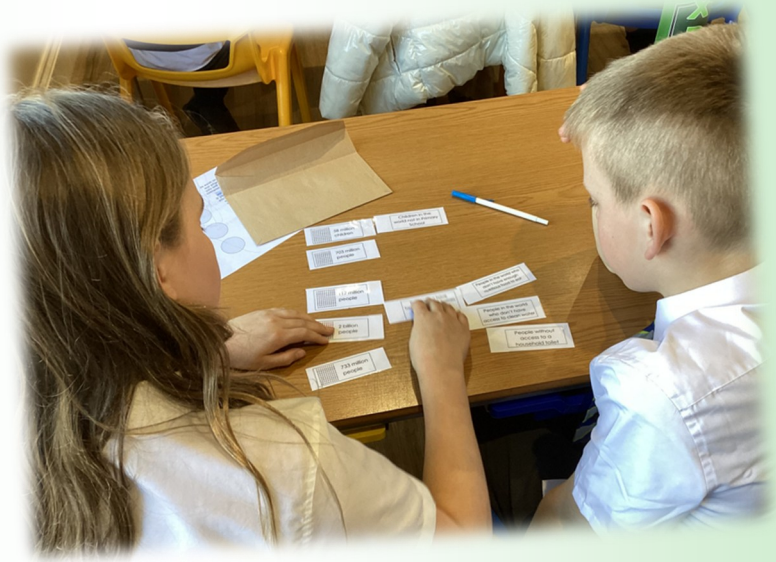
Summer Term

Tuesday 29th April	Children return from Easter Holidays
Thursday 1st May	Beginning of Term Mass
Friday 9th May	Family Bingo Night
Monday 12th – Wednesday 14th May	Year 4 London Residential
Monday 12th – Friday 16th May	KS2 SATs Week – Year 6
Monday 19th May	Class photos
Monday 20th May	Reception Class visit Noah's Ark Farm Park
Friday 23rd May	Nursery trip to Little Hedgehogs
Friday 23rd May	Break up for Half Term- Non uniform Day
Friday 23rd May	FSJ May Fayre!
Friday 6th June	KS2 Cheltenham Science Festival
Friday 6th June	Nursery Sports Day
Monday 9th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
Friday 13th June	Whole School Music Concert
Tuesday 17th June	Year 3 trip to Dudley Zoo
Friday 20th June	Whole School Sports Day
Thursday 26th June	Years 4, 5 and 6 visit Gloucester Mosque – Other Faiths topic
Friday 27th June	Reserve Date – Whole School Sports Day
Monday 30th June – Friday 4th July	Year 5 and 6 Residential to Cornwall
Wednesday 9th July	Year 1 Cattle Country
Thursday 10th July	End of Term Mass
Friday 11th July	Year 6 Surprise Trip
Saturday 12th July	Summer Fayre
Tuesday 15th July	Annie the Musical Junior Performance
Tuesday 15th July	Nursery Graduation
Wednesday 16th July	Whole School Colour Run
Thursday 17th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Thursday 17th July	End of Summer Term

YEAR 5 AND 6 WORKSHOPS

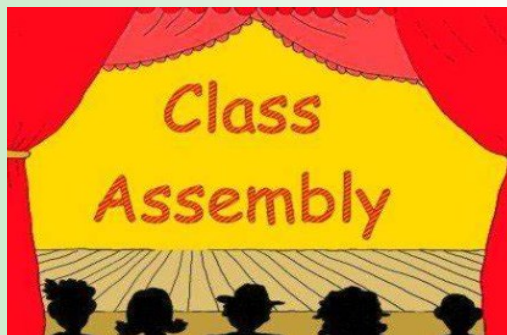
CAFOD
Just one world

On Tuesday afternoon, we welcomed Mrs Warrick, from CAFOD to lead our year 5 and 6 children in a workshop based on the Jubilee Year. It was a great afternoon, where we learnt more about what the Jubilee Year is and about what being a Pilgrim of Hope means. The children were challenged to think about what they would take on a pilgrim journey – this was limited to six items. It was interesting to see what six items they selected! She took us to various countries around the World to show how the work of CAFOD helps communities in need and is bringing hope to so many. We were encouraged to think about how we can bring hope to those around us and pray for others.



SWIFTIES	96.41%
ABBA	93.79%
FANTASIA	89.7%
ZIMMER	90.3%
ALISHA	93.91%
MIRANDA	87.8%
SHEERIOS	90.5%





YEAR 3 CLASS ASSEMBLY!

Last Friday we were treated to a spectacular performance from our year 3 children. They shared all of their learning on volcanoes and the different continents with us, whilst flying on a magic carpet! It was absolutely brilliant! Well done everybody!



Happy Lunchtime



Congratulations to our Happy Lunchtime winners this week! You have demonstrated excellent manners and kindness during lunchtimes—keep up the good work!

♥♥♥
BE KIND
to one
ANOTHER

Enjoy your weekend

God Bless

Mrs Francis

