

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

Matthew 7:12

14/3/25

Dear Family,

This week we have been focusing on our half termly Values—**Attentive and Discerning**. St Joseph's pupils are growing to be attentive to their experience and to their vocation; and discerning about the choices they make and the effects of those choices. We read the Parable of 'The Good Samaritan' and reflected on the message and teachings within this. Together we identified how the Good Samaritan was 'discerning' in his actions and how we too can make the right choices in our lives and how this will also benefit others— this is our mission for the week!

Life is all about making choices. Always do your best to make the right ones, & always do your best to learn from the wrong ones.

The Parable of the Good Samaritan



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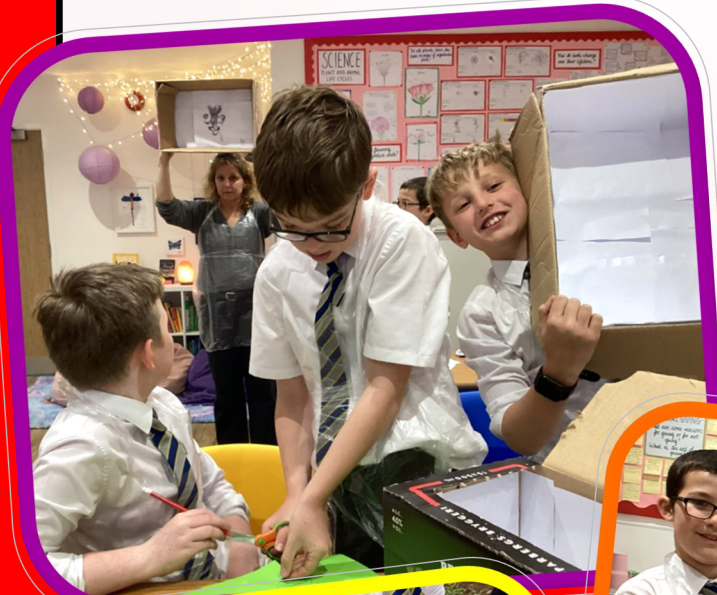
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YEAR 5 ART CURRICULUM THIS WEEK...

Our Year 5 children had an amazing time on Thursday afternoon, working on creating their own scaled-down versions of art installations. They carefully came up with designs and themes for their boxes and made their own stencils to create effects using positive and negative space. Then they took their boxes outside, where paint and glitter were thrown and splashed to create the powerful effects that they wanted.

Once the boxes are dry, the children will position small figures (like Lego people) inside the boxes and photograph them from the inside, giving the effect of their installations being giant, room-sized pieces of work!

Thanks, Miss Jenn, for an incredible afternoon!



YEAR 3 ASSEMBLY PREPARATION..!

This week we have been making our costumes for our class assembly with Miss Jen. We have used recycled materials from the scrap store which is helping to save the planet!





This week, the children helped to make their own pizzas. We started by spreading our tomato puree on our bases before adding all of our favourite toppings such as peppers, ham, sweetcorn and of course - cheese! While these were baking, we then made a sweet treat for afters - some chocolate rice crispy cakes. We first melted the butter and chocolate together before combining the melted mixture with rice crispies. We then spooned the mixture into





Garden Club



Gardening Club this week started as always with feeding our beautiful birds. We then took great pride in the progress of the onions, wild flowers, borage and Californian poppies that have all sprouted up. Then we went into our Reception garden to see all that Roy has done in making our very own 'St Joseph's pond'! He showed us how to sprinkle wild flower seeds around in order to make it attract all the wildlife to make it thrive. We couldn't help but then fill up our hanging baskets with more wild flowers to make our school a wonderful habitat for



Congratulations

Congratulations to our Golden Ticket Winners! They were all so happy to receive their special hampers! We managed to raise £365 from this event.

A massive thank you to our FSJ for organising this and to our families for taking part!



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EASTER HOLIDAY Club

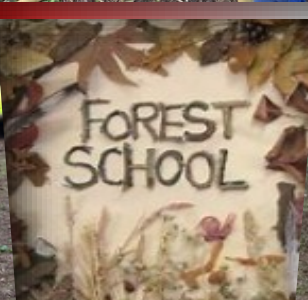
14TH, 15TH & 16TH APRIL
23RD, 24TH & 25TH APRIL

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RECEPTION CLASS AT FOREST SCHOOL THIS WEEK...

This week at Forest School, Swift Class got into their old clothes for an afternoon of outdoor art! The children helped to create their own natural paintbrushes from willow using a bill hook. They also made brushes from leaves, branches and twigs. The children then helped to make their own paint. They mixed natural materials together such as mud, flowers and bark and then used their natural paint brushes to mark make. The Oakleaves also joined us for the afternoon, and Swift Class loved showing them all the fun we have at Forest School!



NURSERY IN ACTION THIS WEEK...

The children are really enjoying our new role play area! They particularly enjoy playing in the home corner, hair-dressers and vets.

As part of National Science Week, we have been conducting lots of experiments, we even made our own bubbling volcano!

The children were really interested in choosing objects that would sink or float and watching solids turn to liquids once they have melted.

Great work everyone!

Star of the week is Mila for settling into nursery really well.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IN YEAR 2



As part of their RE topic, in the season of Lent, Year 2 have been reenacting Palm Sunday. This is when Jesus rides into the city of Jerusalem for the last time before he was crucified.



As part of Swift Class' Art unit—Painting & Mixed Media—the children have been experimenting with finger painting. The children have been exploring the texture and colours of the paint and have chosen whether to do 'abstract' or 'figurative' artwork.



YEAR 1 MAKING PUPPETS!

Abba class are thoroughly enjoying their new Design and Technology project, making puppets. First the children talked about joining materials in different ways and then they designed a template for their puppets. They have now made a start sewing their puppets and are doing a fantastic job! They can't wait to use their designs to add the extra details such as little jackets, buttons, eyes and a hat.

Well done everyone!



**Monday 17th
March**

**...COMING
NEXT WEEK!**



On Monday 17th March we will be celebrating St Patrick's Day here in school. The children are welcome to come to school in non uniform - wearing green, white or orange. Mrs Wilkes has organized some super exciting activities for us to participate in, including some Irish dancing – it will be a great day!

**Wednesday 19th
March**

Next Wednesday we will be celebrating St Joseph's Feast Day. Fr Nick will be celebrating Mass with us here in school and then we will enjoy some cake and juice afterwards.



" 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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JOIN OUR CLUB

Want to have fun, make friends, and improve your football skills?

Ledbury FC are looking for Year 4, 5 and 6 girls to join us for the 2025-26 season.

Whether you're an experienced player or an absolute beginner, please get in touch.

Contact: Ian on 07979 095685 or email u11g@ledburyswiftsfc.org



SPRING TERM

Monday 17th March	St Patrick's Day
Wednesday 19th March	St Joseph's Feast Day
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	Bike ability Year 5
Thursday 10th April	End of Term Mass
Friday 11th April	FSJ Bounceathon

A CHANCE TO WIN GREAT PRIZES

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BINGO!

THURSDAY 20 MARCH

Ross Con Club

Doors open 7 pm

Eyes Down 7.30pm

All welcome!

In aid of Ross Lions Charitable causes

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Summer Term

Tuesday 29 th April	Children return from Easter Holidays
Thursday 1 st May	Beginning of Term Mass
Monday 12 th – Wednesday 14 th May	Year 4 London Residential
Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th May	KS2 SATs Week – Year 6
Monday 19 th May	Class photos
Friday 23 rd May	Break up for Half Term
Friday 6 th June	KS2 Cheltenham Science Festival
Monday 9 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
Friday 13 th June	Whole School Music Concert
Tuesday 17 th June	Year 3 trip to Dudley Zoo
Friday 20 th June	Whole School Sports Day
Friday 27 th June	Reserve Date – Whole School Sports Day
Monday 30 th June – Friday 4 th July	Year 5 and 6 Residential to Cornwall
Thursday 10 th July	End of Term Mass
Friday 11 th July	Year 6 Surprise Trip
Tuesday 15 th July	Annie the Musical Junior Performance
Wednesday 16 th July	Whole School Colour Run
Thursday 17 th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Thursday 17 th July	End of Summer Term

We have our Winners!!!

Congratulations to Year 4 this week for winning the Happy Lunchtimes Award! We hope you enjoy your well deserved treat next week!



Congratulations to all of our children who achieved a Happy Lunchtime certificate this week from our Lunch time teachers!
Very well deserved!

SWIFTIES	80%
ABBA	97.2%
FANTASIA	98.79%
ZIMMER	98.46%
ALISHA	96.52%
MIRANDA	97.3%
SHEERIOS	96.5%





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OUR RE ADVISOR VISIT

On Thursday we welcomed our school's RE Advisor– Miss McIntosh. This was a successful visit and we received lots of positive feedback, as well as targets to work towards for her next visit. Our children were fantastic ambassadors and enjoyed sharing their learning experiences in RE and prayer and Liturgy.



Enjoy your weekend
God Bless

Mrs Francis