

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



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

Matthew 7:12

6/9/24



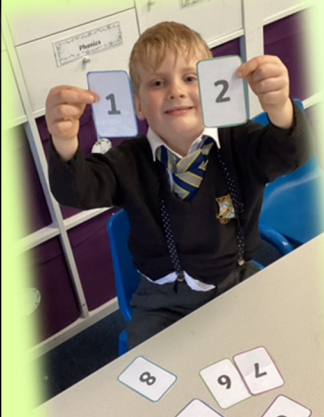
Dear Family,

Welcome back to the start of our new school year!

It has been a fantastic three days and so lovely to catch up with all of the children!

We hope you all had a wonderful summer holiday and are now ready for an action packed term—full of fun and new opportunities!

The children have settled well into their new classes and are enjoying the launch of their new topics! We look forward to sharing lots of learning in action with you throughout the term.



HAPPINESS is seeing the **SMILE** on a child's **FACE** as they **LEARN**



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Welcome TO OUR Class



As we like to keep things fresh each year here at St Joseph's, for this new academic year we have chosen the theme of 'Music' for our class names. The classes will be completing projects all about their new chosen class names, which they voted for at the end of the summer term.



RECEPTION CLASS

'SWIFTIES!'
(Taylor Swift)



SWIFTIE



YEAR 1 CLASS

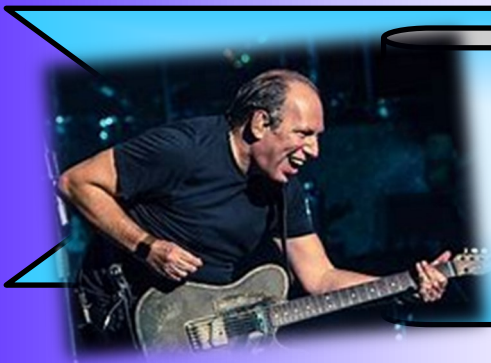
'ABBA CLASS'



YEAR 2 CLASS

'FANTASIA CLASS'





YEAR 3 CLASS
'ZIMMER CLASS'
(Hanz Zimmer)



YEAR 4 CLASS
'ALISHA CLASS'
(Alisha Wier)



YEAR 5 CLASS
'MIRANDA CLASS'
(Lin-Manuel Miranda)



Year 6 CLASS
'SHEERIOS CLASS'
(Ed Sheeran)



*Everything
 is better
 with
 Music*



Abba Class have been learning all about the story of Creation during their RE lesson this week. Their new topic is 'Covenant and Creation'. They enjoyed listening to scripture of how God made the world and listening to a story by Nick Butterworth called 'Wonderful Earth.'

The children role played each day using props and performing to their friends.





Fantasia class have been enjoying their outdoor learning this week. They explored the school grounds on their nature hunt, searching for animals and plants. The children worked hard with their new partners developing their team working

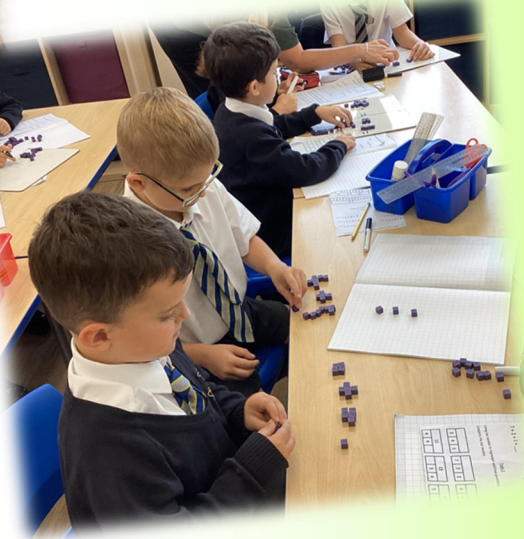


Fun & Learning

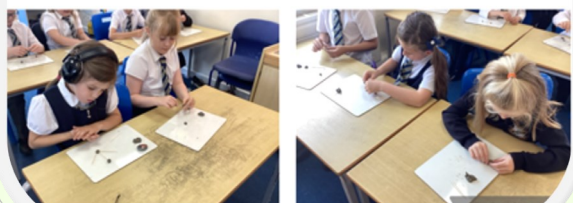
MATH TIME

Zimmer Class have been enjoying their maths lessons this week—focusing on adding given numbers in different contexts. They have used bar modelling to represent three digit sums.

GREAT JOB EVERYONE!



Alisha Class have had a busy morning! The children are now on their next stage of their DT project... focusing on pavilions through structure. They have used a number of different cladding techniques to provide texture to their build, such as weaving and folding. We are all super pleased with the end results!



SAFEGUARDING

Keeping
children safe
is everyone's
responsibility



As we start the new school year, we would appreciate your support in helping us to maintain our high standards with safeguarding procedures. Please note the following:

- 1) Our Designated Safeguarding lead is Mrs Francis, our Deputy Designated Safeguarding leads are Mr Patel and Mrs Lerego
- 2) Parents and Carers please be mindful of road safety and local residents when parking along the Avenue and surrounding areas
- 3) If your children attend breakfast club , please drop off at the school office , in order for us to know who is on site at all given times.
- 4) If your child attends After School Club, please collect from the door to the Central Area.



ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL



TURN UP TUESDAY

TUESDAY 17TH SEPT

1.30PM TO 3PM



Led by Mrs Gurney
(School SENDCo)

SENDIAAS (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Information, Advice and Support Service (IASS) will be joining us in September to discuss how they support children and families in Herefordshire.

A message from Gabriella

Year 6

During the summer holidays, Izzy, Darcey Paisley, Abby, Cece, Amelia, Noah and myself performed at Bath Abbey (twice in one day), as part of St Mary's Church Choir.

This was an amazing experience for us! We also had the opportunity to stay in a hotel and do some site seeing around Bath.





Our Reception children have had a fantastic first week in school and have settled so well. Our year 6 buddies have been excellent role models— helping them become familiar with school life at St Joseph's. Great job everyone!



Rainbow Reward Chart



All classes are now using—‘The Rainbow Reward System’ . This is a great new way to promote positive behaviour. Throughout the week the children work through the colours of the Rainbow. At the end of the week if they have worked through all of the colours on the rainbow their names will be entered into the pot of gold, which means they have earned a special prize/reward!





ALL CLUBS BACK THIS WEEK!

Items have been added to parentpay today—please check.

Please email the office to book your child space, if you have not yet done so.

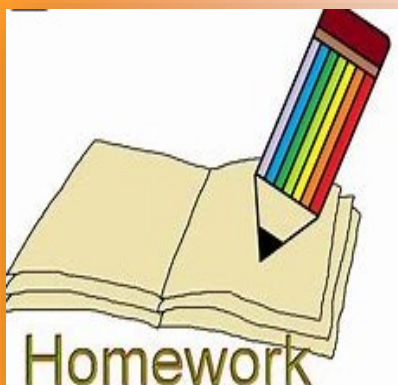


Next Wednesday 11th September we be hosting a 'Meet the teacher' afternoon from 3:30pm in the classrooms. This is an opportunity for you to visit your child's learning environment and get to know their teacher. We look forward to welcoming you.

Weekly swimming lessons will resume next Wednesday. This half term Year 5 will be swimming. Please be in school for 8:40am prompt, with your kit.



Next Thursday we will be holding Mass here in school, to celebrate the beginning of term. Families and fellow parishioners are warmly welcome to join us at 10am , in the sports hall.



We are reviewing our current homework policy and would like your views on what was provided last year. Please help us by completing this linked Homework Survey

<https://forms.office.com/e/01Ub6k1cyx>



Please see the timetable for our class weekly visits to Ross Library this term. Please also remember to bring any borrowed books with you to return.

Friday 13 th September	Year 5
Friday 20 th September	Year 4
Friday 27 th September	Year 3
Friday 4 th October	Year 2
Friday 11 th October	Year 1
Friday 18 th October	Reception
Friday 25 th October	Year 6
Friday 8 th November	Year 5
Friday 15 th November	Year 4
Friday 22 nd November	Year 3
Friday 29 th November	Year 2
Friday 6 th December	Year 1
Friday 13 th December	Reception



The children have come back to school looking very smart in their winter uniforms, thank you for your continued support. Please note the following:



- 1) Girls skirts and pinafores should be navy blue***
- 2) White collar shirts with the school tie are St Joseph's uniform for both girls and boys - not polo shirts***
- 3) Please provide a pair of wellies for your children to keep at school and so they can access the field, without getting their school shoes muddy during their lunchtimes***

If you have queries regarding the uniform please follow the link below to access the inform page on our school website.

[Uniform Information | St Josephs RC Primary School \(secure-primarysite.net\)](http://secure-primarysite.net)

Diary Dates

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



CONGRATULATIONS to all of the children who achieved 100% attendance last academic year! This is a great achievement!

Bella Baker, Joshua Griffiths, Fifoluwa Alalade, Maddie Lord, Jake Bedford, Connie Francis, Matas Jurkevicius and Oskaras Jurkevicius,



SCHOOL DROP OFF AND COLLECTION TIMES...

RECEPTION—8:40am—3:10pm

YEAR 1— 8:45am—3:15pm

YEAR 2—8:50am—3:20pm

YEAR 3 - 8:50am—3:20pm

YEAR 4—8:55am—3:25pm

YEAR 5—9:00am—3:30pm

YEAR 6—9:00am—3:30pm

YEAR 6 OPEN EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 2025 ENTRY

8th, 9th & 10th October **24th October**

9.00am - 11.30am **6.00pm - 9.00pm**

Our friendly, experienced staff are here to help you make informed choices for current Year 6 students entering Year 7 in September 2025.

REGISTER NOW!

- Experience our vibrant, supportive community
- Explore our extensive, well-equipped facilities
- Enjoy sample lessons and Q&A with current students

We look forward to welcoming you!

JOHN KYRLE HIGH SCHOOL

www.jkhs.org.uk



Please send your child in with a pair of wellington boots and so they can play on the field during lunchtimes.

Enjoy your weekend.

God Bless

Mrs Francis

Dear God

We thank you for your love and your promise to be with us.

At school or work, at rest or play, help us to feel near to you and hear your voice.

Guide us to always do our best in every situation and to love one another.

Amen