

St Joseph's

Preschool Newsletter



The children seem settled now and have started to adapt to the routine of Preschool. If your child is struggling a little during drop-off please be assured we will phone if it takes them a while to settle, generally it is only a few minutes before smiles and playing starts.

Topic: This term we will start our new topic 'Me and My Community'. This project supports children with settling into the new rules and routines of school and encourages them to make new friends and feel confident in their class. It teaches children about being helpful, kind and thoughtful at home and at school. This project also teaches children how they are unique and special, the importance of friendship and how people in their family, school and local community are important and can help them. Next week we will be reading '*Lost and Found*' by Oliver Jefferies. We will be thinking about making new friends.

Supporting your child at home

Talk to your child about the new friends they have made. Look through pictures on the newsletter and speak about how we are a part of St Josephs community and now have lots of new friends.

Please could you send some family pictures in to support our topic. We will photocopy them and send the originals home with your child.

Maths – This week we will be looking at identifying colours. We will be matching by colour. We will be trying to find a match using colour/shape and size

Supporting your child at home

- Discuss matching socks and shoes when children are getting dressed. 'Do your socks match?' How do you know? Ask children to find a 'pair of socks' that they would like to wear today.
- Children can help put socks into pairs, or tidy shoes into pairs.
- Whilst eating, children can discuss who has matching cutlery.
- Play 'snap' with cards. Take turns in putting a card down. When there is a match of shape, say, 'Snap!'
- Children can match smells – at bath time, fill small containers with 2 different soaps. Can children find the matching smell?



Our Star Poem



Red and yellow and pink and green
Purple and orange and blue,
I can sing a rainbow,
Sing a rainbow,
Sing a rainbow too.



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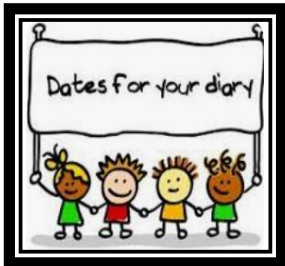
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We would love to fill in some holes we have in our outdoor area. If anyone is willing to donate some topsoil and gravel. Please speak to Mrs Pugsley.

We would be grateful for any donations of tissues and baby wipes.

Thank you for your support



-EYFS Parent curriculum meeting- Monday 22nd September 9am.

- 'Stay and read' sessions for parents, week beginning 6th of October. Please see Mrs Pugsley to book a slot.

-Parents Evening 14th and 15th of October – details to follow.

-Nativity Date - Tuesday 2nd December 9:30 am, Wednesday 3rd December 9:30am- details to follow.



Here are a few links to support your children's learning at home.

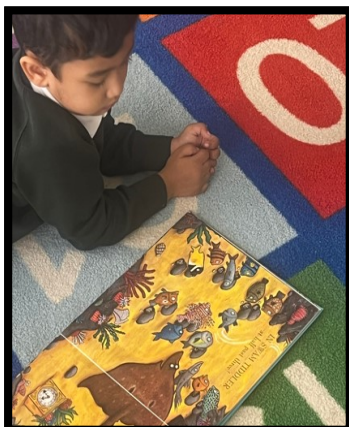
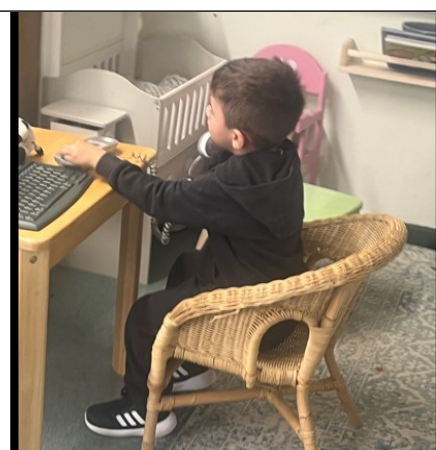
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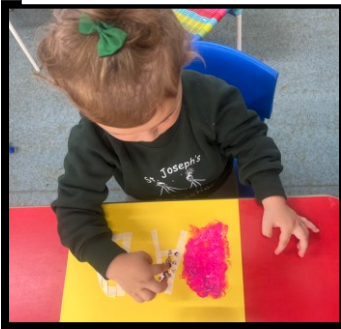
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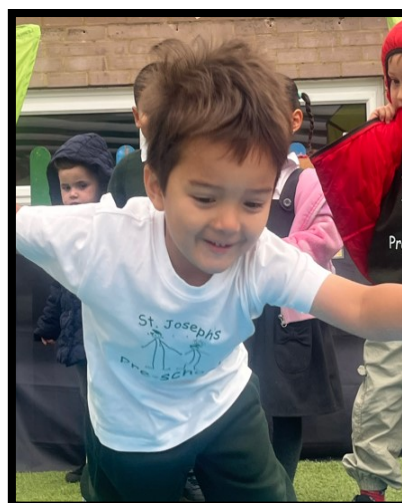
We have been busy exploring all the areas of learning in
Preschool and making friends.



We loved all the craft activities but outdoor play was our favourite!



We enjoyed our turn taking game...look at us fly!



Thank you for all your support.

Have a fabulous weekend

Mrs Pugsley

and the Preschool Team