

St Joseph's

Preschool Newsletter



A reminder about our Mother's Day Chitty Chatty Tea Party on 13th March at 2:15pm.

Two tickets have been placed in your child's book bag. **Due to fire regulations, EVERYONE** attending the event must have a ticket, so please ensure you bring them with you on the day. If you do not have the ticket you will not be admitted. If you are bringing a sibling, please note that they will require a ticket and will count as one of the two provided. It is essential that we remain within fire guidance for the number of people allowed in the hall. We apologise that we cannot facilitate more people – but this is out of our hands.

We look forward to seeing you there!

A reminder that we have Parents' Evenings this week – Tuesday / Wednesday.

We are delighted to introduce **Miss Boeg**, who has joined our team as the new **Attendance and Admissions Officer**.

Mrs Boeg will be a key point of contact for our families, managing student admissions and daily attendance records to ensure a smooth and supportive experience for everyone.

In addition to her whole-school responsibilities, please note that **all preschool queries** regarding **sessions or invoicing** should now be directed to Miss Boeg.

We are confident her expertise will be a fantastic asset to our administrative team.

Please join us in giving her a very warm welcome to the St Joseph's community!

Topic: The children are having an amazing time diving deeper into our *Dangerous Dinosaurs* theme. This week, we'll be discovering even more fascinating *Dino facts*. The class will be exploring a variety of fact books, hunting for new information, and sharing their exciting discoveries with friends. It's going to be a week full of curiosity, imagination, and plenty of prehistoric fun!

Supporting your child at home

Make a Dino hunt; Ask your child to find 3–5 items around the house that could be:

- Dinosaur **food** (e.g., leaves, toy vegetables)
- Dinosaur **eggs** (balls, stones, plastic eggs)
- Dinosaur **footprints** (cut out shapes, shoes, socks)

Please use the QR codes below to recap this weeks focus sounds





Maths: This week we will be exploring measure and focussing on length. We will develop an understanding of spatial awareness, learning to distinguish between attributes like height and width. We will develop an understanding of the physical world around us. We will be developing comparison skills; initially, comparing two objects to determine which is longer or shorter, moving from simple comparisons to ordering multiple objects.

We will also be building vocabulary: learning specific language to describe measurements, such as "longest," "shortest," "same," and "taller," improving the children's ability to communicate about size.

Supporting your child at home

Nature's Measuring Sticks: Collect sticks or leaves and line them up to order them from shortest to longest.

Body Measuring: Use string, building blocks, or footsteps to measure how long family members are, or compare heights against furniture.

Block Tower Challenges: Build towers of specific heights, for example, "Can you make a tower 10 bricks tall?" or compare two towers to see which is taller.

A Little House

I'm going to build a little house,
With windows big and bright,
And chimneys tall with curling smoke,
Drifting out of sight.
In winter when the snowflakes fall,
Or when I hear a storm,
I'll go and sit in my little house,
Where I'll be snug and warm.



**Our Star
Poem**

Information:



Family Lives offers a confidential and free* helpline service for families in England and Wales (previously known as Parent line). Please call us on **0808 800 2222** for emotional support, information, advice and guidance on any aspect of parenting and family life. If you don't get an answer first time please do try again.



We would be grateful for boxes of tissues for our cold noses please.



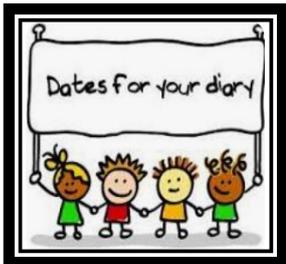
Here are a few links to support your children's learning at home.

<https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk/>

<https://literacytrust.org.uk/policy-and-campaigns/home-learning-environment/small-talk/>

<http://www.wordsforlife.org.uk/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>



Mother's Day EYFS Assembly on 13th March at 2:15 pm

EYFS School trip to Black park - Reception children and those Preschool 2nd June children due to start Reception in 2026. More details to follow.

Preschool will be closed on 2nd of June

Father's Day EYFS Assembly on 19th June at 2:15 pm



[Here is some links for support and information on toilet training.](#)

<https://eric.org.uk/potty-training/#step-3-stopping-using-nappies>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/articles/zhtqs82#z8g8qyc>

<https://help-for-early-years-providers.education.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/toilet-training>

This week, we've been making the most of the beautiful sunshine with plenty of outdoor adventures! The children loved learning how to **roar and stomp like dinosaurs**, bringing prehistoric play to life. Our dinosaur-themed **paint stamping and stomping activity** was a big hit too—lots of creativity, messy fun, and fantastic prints!





Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Pugsley and the Preschool team