

St Joseph's

Preschool Newsletter



We are all excited that we are now moving into the last term of the academic year. There are lots of events next term, please keep an eye on this newsletter for details.

Topic: In our Big Wide World project, we will be exploring the world around us and learning more about where we live. The children will discover different types of weather and climates, and explore a variety of habitats, including the plants and animals that live there. We will look at a world map to find the United Kingdom and talk about how life here is similar to and different from other places around the world. The children will also learn about how to care for their environment, both in our local area and across the wider world.

Supporting your child at home

Where in the World?

Look at a globe or map together and find the United Kingdom. Talk about where you live and see if your child can point to it. If you can, find another country and look at pictures of what it is like there.

Talk about: Is it hot or cold? What can you see there?

Weather Watch

Spend a few days noticing the weather. Your child could draw a picture each day or take photos of what they see outside.

Talk about: Is it sunny, windy or rainy? What clothes do we wear in different weather?

Caring for Our World

Encourage your child to help look after their environment at home or in the local area. This could be watering plants, picking up litter (safely with an adult), or recycling.

Talk about: Why is it important to look after our world?

Maths: Next term we will be consolidating our Maths skills by exploring numbers through practical play and hands-on activities. We will develop our understanding of how numbers are made by looking at different ways to make numbers such as 3 and 4, and revisiting numbers up to 5. We will practise counting, recognising numbers and linking numbers to amounts, as well as learning what number comes before and after using number tracks and songs. Throughout, the focus will be on building confidence with numbers through meaningful, real-life experiences.

Supporting your child at home

You can support your child at home by practising counting in everyday situations, such as counting toys, steps or snacks, and talking about numbers up to 5. Encourage them to spot numbers around them and explore simple ideas like what comes before and after, as well as comparing which groups have more or fewer.

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Please use the QR codes to recap our phonics sounds

Set 1 Sounds

QR codes until 22nd June

s S



Slither down the snake.



i i



Down the body and dot for the head.



m m



Down Mistle, mountain, mountain.



d d



Around the dinosaur bottom, up his tail and down to his toes.



n n



Down Nobby and over his net.



a a



Around the apple and down the leg.



t t



Down the tower, across the tower.



p p



Down the pilot and around his face.



g g



Around the girl's face, down her hair and give her a curl.




k k




Down the kangaroo's body tail and leg.




f f




Down the stem and draw the leaves.



o o



All around the orange.



u u




Down and under, up to the top and draw the puddle.



e e



Lift off the top and scoop out the egg.



c c



Curl around the caterpillar.



b b



Down the ball to the feet and around the toe.



l l



Down the long leg.



h h



Down the head, to his hooves and over his back.



v v



Down a wing, up a wing.



z z



Zig-zag-zig.



r r



Down the robot's back and curl over his arm.



y y



Down a horn, up a horn and under head.



x x



Down the arm and leg, repeat the other side.



j j



Down his body, curl, dot for his head.



w w



Down, up, down, up.



Star Poem

Shoo! Shoo! Shoo!



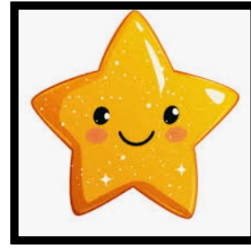
Shoo shoo shoo!
I said to the bee.
Shoo shoo shoo!
Stop following me.

I'm not a flower,
can't you see?
Now just buzz off
and let me be.

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.



Preschool will be closed on 2nd of June

✧ EYFS Big Wide World Week ✧ Events

Monday 1st June

Bring a book about the world to share

Tuesday 2nd June

EYFS School trip to Black Park

Wednesday 3rd June

Little City visit

Thursday 4th June 2:30pm

Grandparents Allotment Afternoon

Friday 5th June

Year one Chat and Play

Bring a Book About the World

Children are invited to bring in a story set in another country or a fact book to share with their peers. This event is for Preschool and Reception. Preschool children who do not attend on a Monday may bring their book to another session.

School Trip

This trip is for all Reception children and children due to start Reception in September 2026. Please note that Preschool will be closed on this day.

Little City

This session is open to all Preschool and Reception children. If your child does not usually attend Preschool on this day, you are welcome to attend with them from 9:00-9:50am.

Grandparents Allotment Afternoon - 2:30pm

Grandparents are invited to garden with their grandchild. If your child does not attend Preschool on a Thursday and would like to attend with their grandparent, please speak to Mrs Pugsley.

Year 1 and Reception Chat and Play

Preschool and Reception children will spend time with children in Year 1 to talk and play as part of our transition programme. Children who do not attend on this day will have another opportunity at a later date.

Preschool Sports Morning-

11th June 9.00-11.00am dismissal of all children at 11.00am

Preschool is closed on the 11th June in the afternoon.

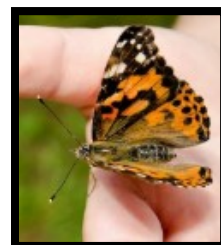
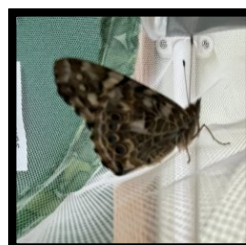
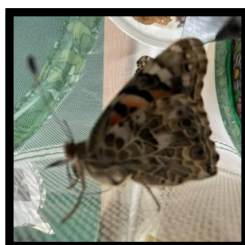
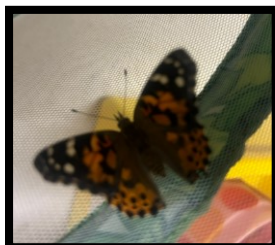
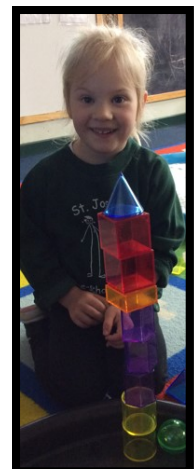
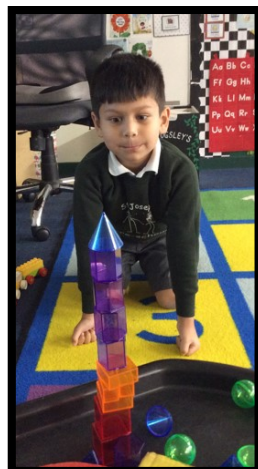
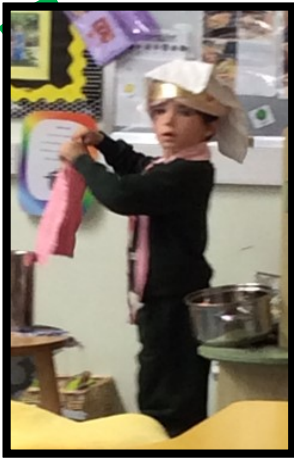


We have loved seeing how your sunflowers are growing at home—what a joy it will be to see which one blooms first!

We enjoyed reading *The Enormous Turnip* and then brought the story to life in our garden by acting it out together... and even pulling up some old sprouts!

We were also very lucky to have a visit from Joey, who shared lots of affection while we took turns reading to him. The children were excited to show Joey our butterflies too.





We said goodbye to our beautiful butterflies on Friday. Maybe you will see them flying around your gardens over half term!

Have a lovely break Mrs Pugsley and the Preschool team.