

Nursery Newsletter

Colours

Which colours make you feel happy or sad?

Dear Parents and Children,

A magical year of learning waits! Get ready to begin your own very special learning journey at St. Joseph's.

We would like to wish you and your child a very warm welcome to Nursery. We have an exciting and fun filled term ahead of us with lots of wonderful activities planned to inspire and engage your child in their learning from the start. We understand for some children entering Nursery can be a very overwhelming, new and unknown experience; therefore the focus of the first few weeks is to allow each child to settle in the classroom, in the school and with each other. We have a loving, nurturing and creative learning environment, where each individual child is celebrated, respected and valued. Likewise, we value your views and look forward to establishing relationships with your child, you (parents) and their family; by working together to support your child loving to learn and becoming a valued member of the Nursery Class 2018-19.

Days to Remember

Nursery Intake 1	12 th September/ 20 th September
Nursery Intake 2	26 th September
Half Term	22 nd - 26 th October
Inset Day	29 th October



Learning to love, loving to learn

Autumn 1 2018

Class Teacher: Miss Rhianna

Class Teaching Assistant: Miss Christine

Additional Support: Miss Lily

Homework: My Magical Learning Adventure

My Magical Learning Adventure will be your child's homework given out on Fridays to be returned the following Monday. Please add to the scrapbook each week, it will be shared at nursery and monitored by Miss Rhianna, Miss Christine and Miss Lily.

Learning Challenge:

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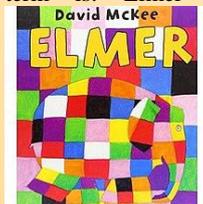
Our learning challenge curriculum enables all areas of learning to be taught through a topic/theme approach. This cross curricular approach is enquiry based, led by the children's thoughts and questions.

Each learning challenge starts with an overall question and is supported by weekly questions to help us meet a planned outcome.

Our Learning Challenge this Autumn term 1 is: *Which colours make you feel happy or sad?*

In this topic we will focus on exploring feelings through colours and primarily focus on children starting to understand feelings and that other children might have different feelings. This will involve exploration across the seven areas of EYFS through expressive and creative play and specific activities- both children led and adult led.

Our key text to support our learning this term is: Elmer by David McKee



For more information please see our school website.

Values Education



September: Understanding

October: Patience

Please discuss these values with your child, identifying acts that represent them.

Reading

🌻 Please read with your child for at least 10 mins every night. Spend time talking about the story together.

🌻 Learning challenge- Talk to your child about feelings and discuss with your child about the links that they make between characters, stories, songs and the way they make them feel.

Nursery Hours

Morning Session- 9.00 am to 12.00am
Afternoon Session- 12.15pm to 3.15pm
Full-time Session- 9.00am to 3.15pm

How you can help at home

- 🌻 Discuss with your child the things they have learned each day.
- 🌻 Get your child into a routine for doing homework (My Magical Learning Adventure). Provide them with the resources and opportunities to complete one magical moment of learning each week. Work with your child and support and add comments. (Good preparation for Reception).
- 🌻 Read with your child.
- 🌻 Practise sequential counting- 1-10
- 🌻 Talk about each month's value with your child.
- 🌻 Practise identifying all the colours in the rainbow
- 🌻 Practise identifying shapes in the environment
- 🌻 Practise using one handed tools and equipment-scissors, zips getting dressed
- 🌻 Practise holding a pencil and having fun making marks