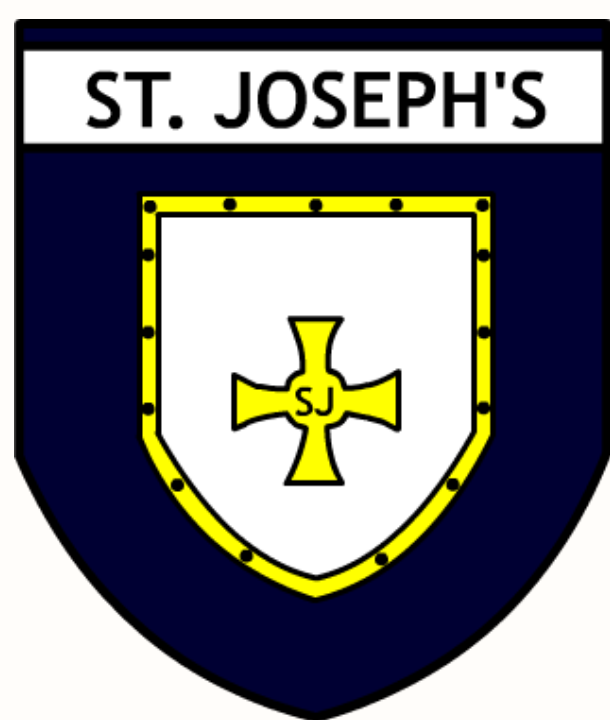
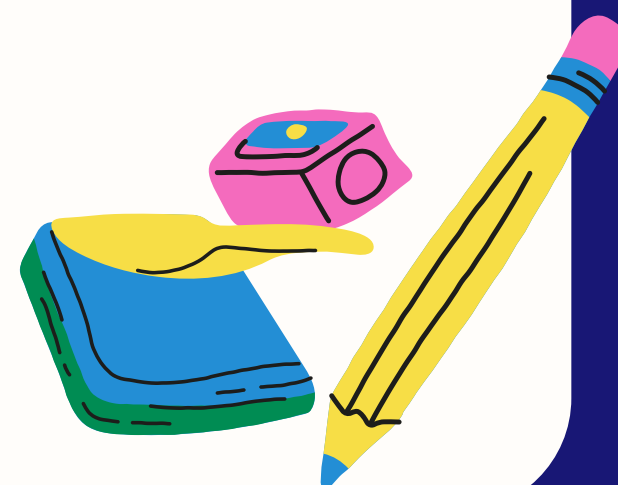




St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Newsletter



Newsletter 7

19.07.24

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we wrap up a successful summer term, highlighted by a two-day Ofsted inspection that praised the exceptional qualities of our children and the unwavering dedication of our staff in supporting them both academically and personally, we are thrilled to announce that our school has maintained its 'Good' rating with outstanding features. Congratulations to everyone involved! We are incredibly proud of our hardworking children and their achievements throughout this year.

Sending off our Year 6 class, we applaud them for their fantastic SATs results and commend their efforts. Following their hard work, they enjoyed a memorable residential trip to Avon Tyrrell in June, engaging in a variety of activities. Additionally, Year 6 put on a wonderful Leavers' Play and Assembly for their parents. We extend our best wishes to them as they transition to secondary school.

This term's highlights included our fantastic Sports Week, featuring a range of engaging workshops, skateboarding lessons, and an exciting Sports Day. Congratulations to St Luke's for triumphing in the KS1 Sports Day and St Matthew's for securing victory in the KS2 Sports Day. Special thanks to Mr Rickard for organising the enjoyable week and to Dan Moody from The Grange for coordinating the workshops. We say thank you and farewell to Mr Rickard for many years of service at St Joseph's and for bringing our sporting achievements to the high standard it is now. We wish Mr Rickard all the best in his new role.

We also say thank you and farewell to Mrs Thomas who has worked at the school for 27 years as a teaching assistant. Thank you for all Mrs Thomas has contributed at school and with the parish continuing our strong links with St Joseph's Church.

Last week, Years 5 and 6 participated in the in-house Schoolgames Finals, showcasing their skills in football, handball, netball, and Quidditch, with the 4 School Houses competing against each other.

We also celebrated World Music Day, where all classes enjoyed listening to various music genres while creating their distinct art pieces. It was a fantastic day, and the children produced some remarkable work!

Despite the rainy weather, our Summer Fayre successfully took place, with everyone's support. The event raised vital funds for the benefit of the children. Our follow-up Summer Fayre is scheduled for Monday, 22nd July, featuring Year 6 stalls, and promises to be a delightful occasion with inflatables, an ice cream van, and Sponge the Teacher!

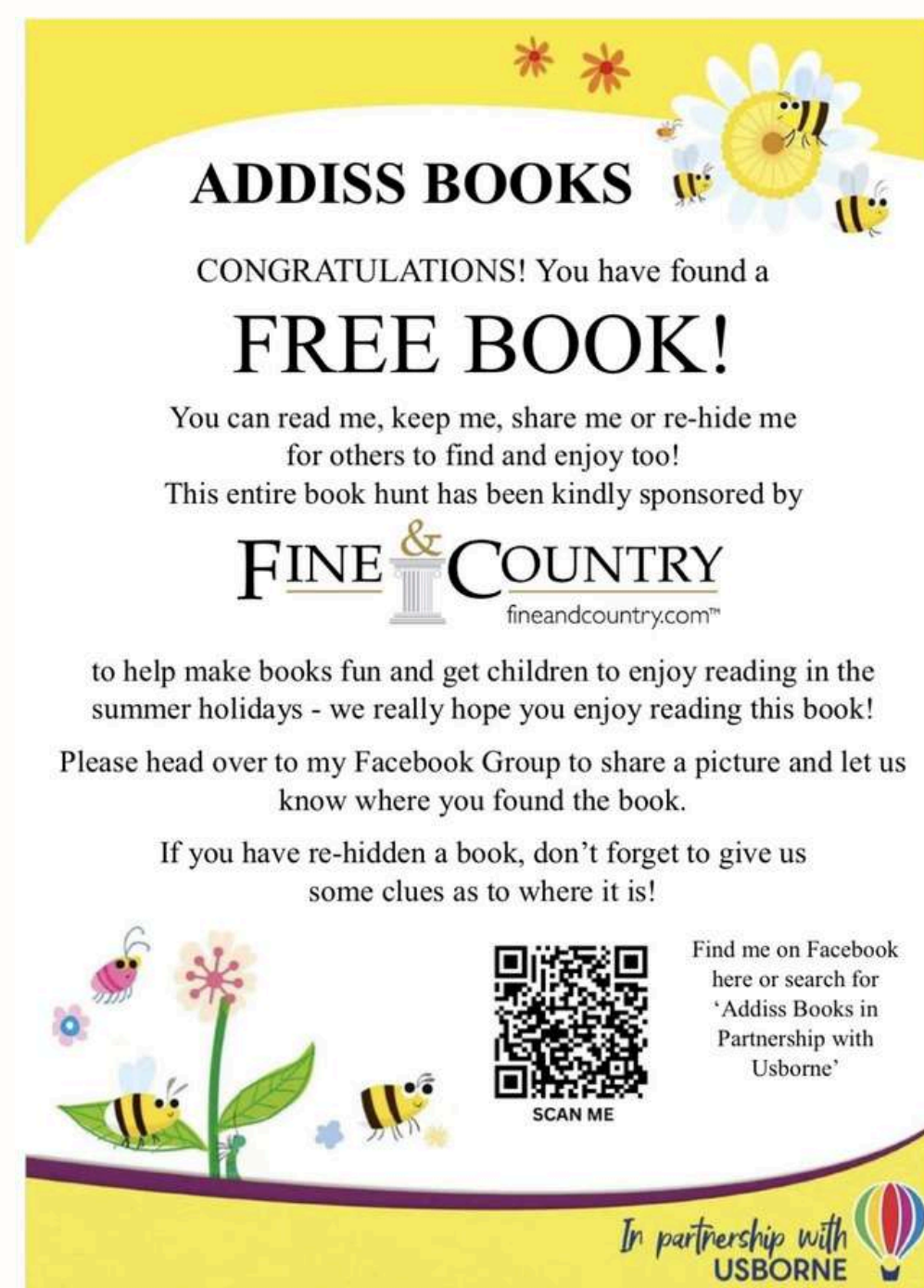
Wishing you and your families a safe and enjoyable summer. Best wishes.

Elizabeth Rippon

*We are all God's children and will try to live,
love, work and serve as Jesus taught us.*

Summer Book Hunt

If you're looking for a fun activity throughout the summer, why not try a free Book Hunt! Addiss Books is working with Slades Estate Agents / Fine & Country to bring this fun event to you. There will be packs hidden around Highcliffe, Bransgore and Christchurch centre containing a book with a covering sheet like the one below. Good luck!



St Joseph's uniform

A reminder that you can buy new logo uniform from our supplier QDOS. If your child receives pupil premium you are entitled to a **free logo jumper**. Your voucher is being sent home with your child. Please contact Dee or Carly on 07774 679472 or email info@qdoschoolwear.co.uk. If your child is going into Key Stage 2 in September, please note that the uniform is a V-neck jumper.

We also have our very own second hand uniform shop on the Uniformd platform where we sell good quality pre-owned uniform with all funds raised going directly back to the school. Please visit the Uniformd shop here: [Uniformd](https://www.uniformd.com)

LEARNING

Ducklings

Ducklings had a fantastic Summer term. On Pirate Day they made their own treasure maps, they made a fantastic pirate ship during our Forest School session and they painted beautiful sea pictures. On World Music Day Ducklings made impressive paintings based on the work of Kandinsky. Ducklings have learnt so much in Reception, they are independent and confident learners. We are so proud of them. Well done!



Year 1

Year 1 enjoyed a fantastic trip to Beaulieu Motor Museum! Despite the rain, they had a wonderful day exploring how transport has changed over time. They experienced a tour of the museum, a ride in an old car, a trip round Beaulieu on the monorail and had lots of fun in the park! The children were amazing and we were all very proud of them!

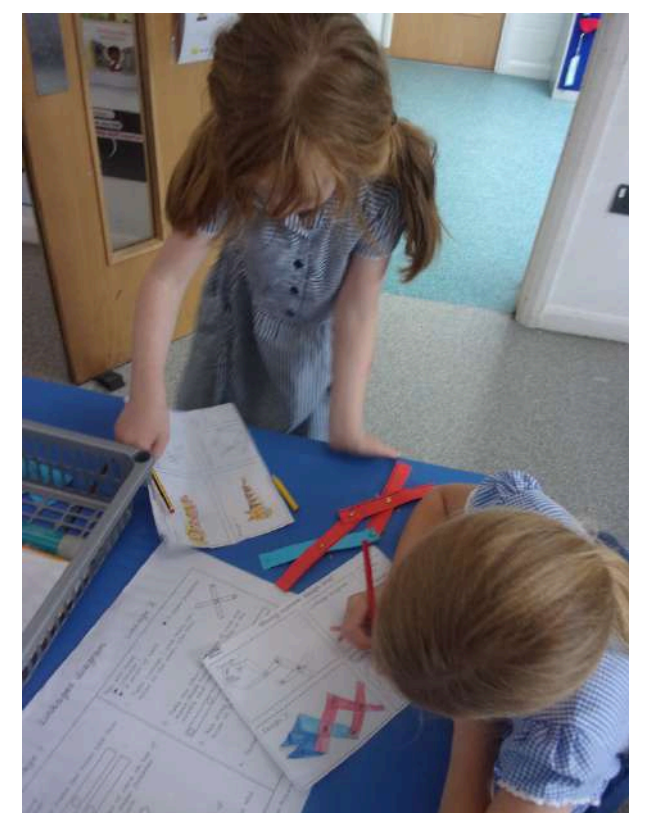
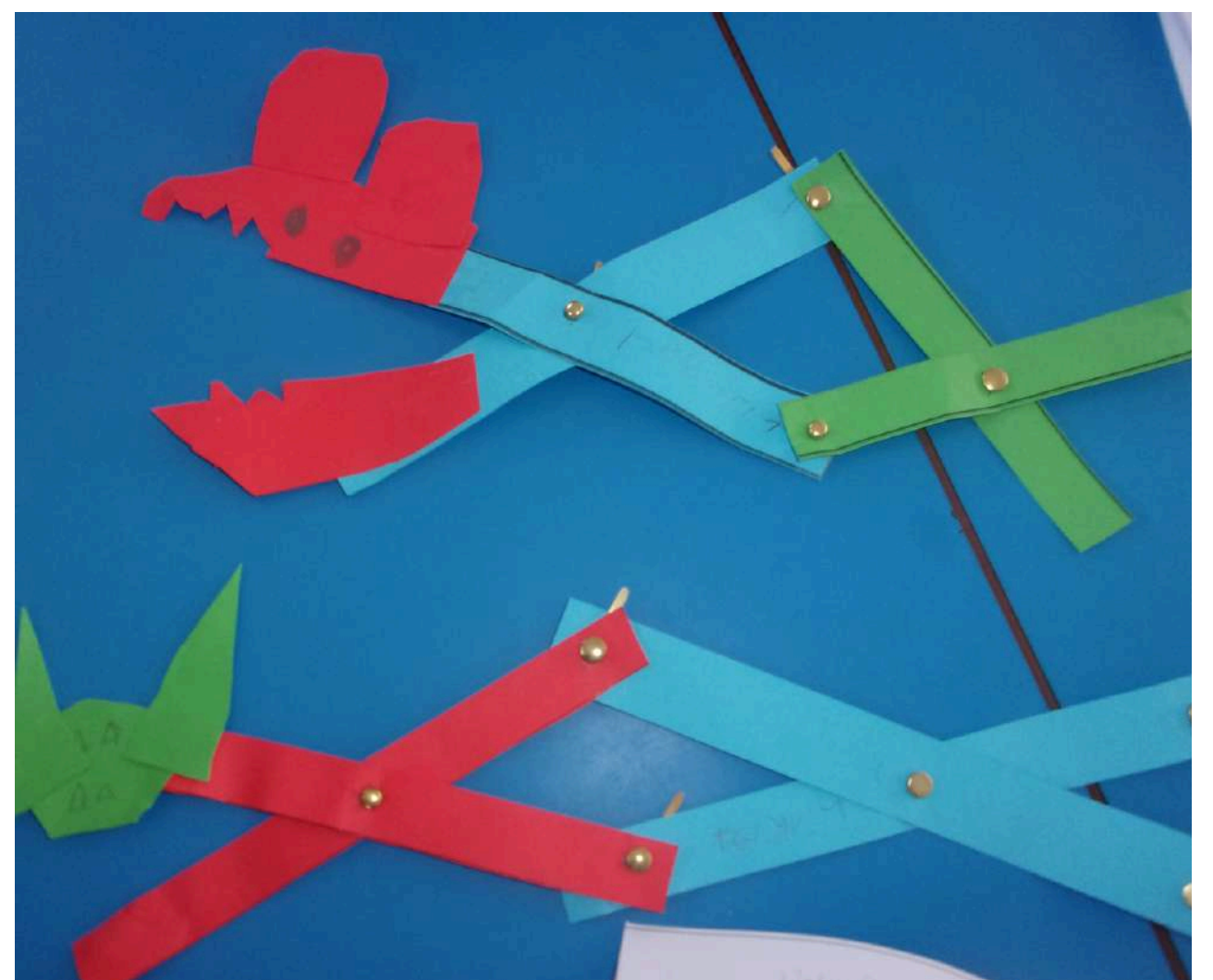


Year 2

Year 2 have been busy learning about the weather. Apt at the minute given it's unseasonal. They have recorded the weather in a diary which they have enjoyed doing.

They have also been carrying out some Design Technology and are in the process of designing and making a moving monster. They have learnt about pivot points and linkages and have even carried out surveys with their peers to choose their best design from a range.

The Year 2 Team, including the children, would like to thank all the parents who have helped them throughout the year when on the various school activities and general support throughout the year when answering letters, attending events and being fab! THANK YOU!





LEARNING

Year 3

This month, Year 3 took part in the Christchurch Dance Festival. This event brought together children from infant, junior, primary and secondary schools across the local area in St Peter's De La Salle theatre. The theme of the event was "Festivals of the World". Together, with Mrs Whyte and Mrs Wooller, the children choreographed a 3-minute piece that they performed to other local schools on 27th June. Then, a week later, they performed in front of a packed theatre of 450 parents. The dance was their interpretation of four different festivals, La Tomatina (Europe), Chinese new Year (Asia), Day of the Dead (Central America) and the Brazil carnival (South America) - a true Global tour in dance. The children worked so hard to perfect their moves and we even had input from a professional dancer who worked with our carnival boys to really perfect their shimmies! On the night, the children were visibly nervous before and as they took to the stage but when the lights came up and the music played they were outstanding. The smiles on their faces when they walked off the stage knowing that they had done it and had done their absolute best said it all - they were so proud of themselves, as were their parents and teachers. Go Year 3!



Year 5

Year 5 have worked increasingly hard this half-term. They should all be so proud of themselves. Our Science ambassadors thoroughly enjoyed delivering their final scientific investigations, whilst the whole of year 5 have shown great enthusiasm when designing, creating and exploring their mixed-media portraits. Well done Year 5!

Year 4

Year 4 have had a fantastic end to the school year. The children have continued to work very hard in all subjects. In particular we are very proud of the children's achievements in the multiplication tables check in June. It was the culmination of much hard work by the children throughout the academic year and the children were amazing! Well done Year 4.

On Sports Day the children showed what a strong sporting class we are, not just by winning but showing good sportsmanship with their class and fellow house members during all events. Throughout the year the children have participated in many off site sporting events with other schools. We have always received excellent feedback regarding their behaviour and what amazing representatives they have been of St Joseph's.

On Friday 12th July we were able to visit the Water Recycling Centre in Christchurch as part of the Science curriculum. We learnt about how they recycle waste and water and carried out some experiments. It has been a pleasure and privilege to teach Year 4 this year and their see their progression. Thank you to parents for your help and support and we look forward to seeing their continued progress in Year 5 and beyond.



Year 6

Year 6 have had the best, but busiest final half-term. They had an amazing week at Avon Tyrrell, where they enjoyed activities such as: paddleboarding, zipwire, kayaking, climbing and mountain biking. Year 6 loved Sports Week, especially the skateboarding and their final sports day. Another highlight has been their production of Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies. Their performances were incredible and they were all stars with their acting and singing. Year 6 have been such a lovely class and we will miss them very much as they move onto their secondary schools.



Watersports at Poole Park

We took 8 Year 5 pupils to Poole Park to take part in a Can Do Festival where the children enjoyed a full day of watersports including kayaking, paddleboarding, a Mega Sup Up and a treasure hunt. They all had a fantastic time and the weather was great!



Cricket winners

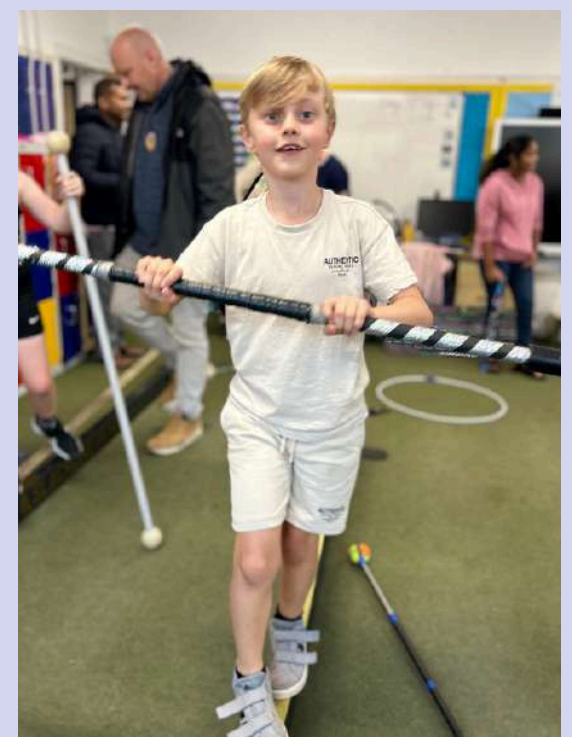
Well done to our Year 4 team for winning the Dynamo Cricket event at The Grange on Wednesday. They played against Christchurch Juniors in the opening game and won by 3 runs. In the final against Twynham Primary School they won by 8 runs. Year 4 have currently been learning cricket in PE and the umpire from Dorset Cricket commented on their outstanding performances!



Summer Fayre update

Our PTA Summer Fayre was still a huge success despite the wet British weather! After bringing the whole fayre inside, we still had a fantastic turn out. Thank you to everyone who helped volunteer to make the event a success and to everyone who came to support the fayre. We had some fantastic entertainment including a Punch and Judy show, Circus Skills workshops, as well as the RNLI who arrived with their mascot, Stormy Stan, and we welcomed some fantastic stallholders. The School Choir performed as well as all of our amazing Rocksteady bands! We also had over 40 amazing prizes for our Summer Fayre raffle.

Thank you to all of the businesses who donated a prize - we will have a full list of businesses who donated on our website. We raised just under £2,000 for the school which is fantastic. We will keep you posted on how we will use this to benefit our school community. As we had a to cancel a few things for the Summer Fayre we are holding a follow-up event on Monday 22nd July so please come along to support. The Year 6 stalls will be open and we will have inflatables, an ice cream van and Sponge the Teacher! The gates open to parents at 2.30pm.



Raising money for our school while recycling clothes

Thank you to everyone who donated clothes for our recycling initiative with Rags 2 Riches 4 Schools. We are delighted we raised £54.48 by recycling over 136kg of clothing. The money raised goes back into the school benefitting our children and school community.

We have booked another clothing collection for **Thursday 24th October** so remember to hold on to any clothing if you are having a clear out after summer! We will send out a reminder nearer the time.



Important Dates



EVENT	DATE
Inset Day	Monday 2nd September
Back to school	Tuesday 3rd September
Ducklings Home Visits	Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th September
Meet the Teacher and TA - Years 1-6	Wednesday 4th September, 3.15pm
Ducklings start part-time	Thursday 5th & Friday 6th September
Ducklings start full-time	Monday 9th September
Open Evening	Monday 16th September
Whole school Flu Immunisations	Monday 30th September
Year 4 Bikeability	Tuesday 1st October & Thursday 3rd October
Harvest Collection	Week commencing 7th October
Year 5 Bikeability	Monday 7th October - Wednesday 9th October
Parents' Evening	Monday 21st October
Parents' Evening	Thursday 24th October
Inset Day	Friday 25th October
HALF TERM	Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November

INSET Days 2024-2025

Mon 2nd September, Fri 25th Oct 2024, Fri 21st March 2025, Mon 21st July 2025, Tues 22nd July 2025

Raise money while you shop!

Great news! We've already raised £1,221.55 with 82 supporters on easyfundraising. If you've already signed up, please keep remembering to use easyfundraising every time you shop online through the summer! Remember, you can raise donations from just renewing your usual home or car insurance. If you haven't already signed up, please help us raise more by signing up now: [Easyfundraising](#)



Ordering hot school lunches

Please note that the deadline for ordering school lunches for the first week in September is **Monday 26th August**.

Please do order in plenty of time as Forerunner is not able to add any orders after the deadline. If you haven't yet signed up to Forerunner and would like your child to have hot lunches, please book on the Forerunner portal:

[Parent Portal \(myschoolmealorders.com\)](https://myschoolmealorders.com)



E-safety guidance for parents

Please note that the July issue of our Online Safety Newsletter is now on our school website. This has some helpful information about summertime screen time, reminders about the danger of online challenges, as well as some helpful advice if your child is moving to secondary school. A reminder to visit our website for our monthly online safety newsletters with up-to-date information to keep your child safe online:

<https://www.stjosephs.dorset.sch.uk/e-safety-1/>



Shining stars



We are delighted to announce that one of our Year 4 pupils, Bobby, is one of 3 winners of the 'Shining Star Award', a new award launched by The Christchurch Carnival. The award aims to recognise the extraordinary accomplishments of children aged 5 to 11 within the Christchurch area. Bobby will be receiving his award thanks to his phenomenal efforts at school and working hard at hobbies including trampolining and Scouts as well as helping out at home. Well done Bobby! Not only has Bobby won an award, his brother Thomas will also be receiving a highly commended award. They will both receive their awards at the Christchurch Festival. Well done!

Fundraising success

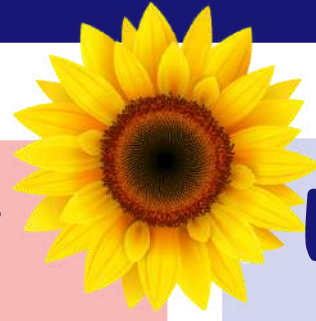
Well done to Tilly who ran 5k in the Race For Life event with her family and they all raised £182. Well done Tilly - what an amazing achievement for charity.





COMMUNITY - DATES FOR THE SUMMER

BCP Summer Activities



Family Hub Summer Activities

Activities and events:

The Parks Foundation: [Home](#) - The Parks Foundation also on Facebook. The individual cafes have their own Facebook pages where they publicise their own events or you can view them on the Parks Foundation website. Also Kingfisher Barn Visitor Centre.

BCP Family Hubs: see timetables for individual Hubs as the offer varies. Activities and drop-ins for all ages including teens. [Family hub timetables \(bcpcouncil.gov.uk\)](#)

Up in BCP: Summer activities. [www.upinbcp.co.uk](#) [Summer Activities \(upinbcp.co.uk\)](#). Booking form is available on their website.

BCP Libraries:

Summer Reading Challenge: [Summer Reading Challenge | BCP \(bcpcouncil.gov.uk\)](#). Presentation: [SRC School Assembly Presentation \(bcpcouncil.gov.uk\)](#)

Information: [Summer Reading Challenge](#)

What's on in Libraries: [Libraries Whats On \(bcpcouncil.gov.uk\)](#)

Family events: [Family Events - Bournemouth](#)

BCP Family Information Directory: Holiday Activities: [Search Results \(bcpcouncil.gov.uk\)](#)

Primary Times: [Family activities and events for primary school children | Primary Times](#)

BCP Mumbler: [Summer Holiday - Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole Mumbler Free Things To Do with Kids in Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole this Summer - Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole Mumbler](#)

Soft Play Cafes: [Kids Play Cafe](#)



Free HAF places with Educamps

Educamps is proud to be working with BCP, Dorset County and Hampshire Councils in order to offer FREE places to children in benefit of FREE SHCOOL MEALS (FSM). The Holiday Activities & Food Programme aims to provide free holiday clubs and food for disadvantaged children in receipt of this benefit. EDUCAMPS have been funded by this scheme via both councils.

If your child is eligible for Free School Meals and lives within the BCP and Hampshire districts claim 2 free days per week including lunch and a full day activity pass.



Summer Activities at Christchurch Family Hub:

Thursday 1 August 10 to 11 :30am: 'Share a story and activities' for 0 to 8 years

Monday 5 August: 1:30 to 3pm: 'Mindful moments' - a look at mindfulness tips and creating a toolkit for the whole family, to help us calm our minds, slow down and get rid of worried thinking, for both adults and children 5+ years

Thursday 8 August 10 to 11 :30am: Sensory fun for 0 to 8 year

Monday 12 August 6 to 7:15pm: Online sleep and anxiety workshop

Wednesday 14 August 10 to 11 :30am: Family fun and games for 4 to 11 years

Wednesday 14 August 2 to 3:30pm: Family fun and games for 11+years

Thursday 22 August 10 to 11:30am: 'Mindful moments' - a look at mindfulness tips and creating a toolkit for the whole family, to help us calm our minds, slow down and get rid of worried thinking, for both adults and children 5+ years

Please call to book your place:

Christchurch Family Hub, Draper Road, Christchurch BH23 3AS. T. 01202 095300

E. christchurchfamilyhub@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

Summer Activities at Boscombe Family Hub:

'School meet ups' are for those children going to school in September to have a chance to meet up with other children going to the same school.

Thursday 25 July 2 to 3pm: 'School meet up' for St Michaels and Pokesdown

Thursday 1 August 2 to 3pm: 'School meet up' for Epiphany and Corpus Christi

Monday 5th August 1.00 — 2.30pm: 'Play at the park' at Littledown park

Tuesday 6 August 10 to 11am: Short Breaks drop in (SEND) 10.30 — 11.30: Healthy Movers 'Dough Disco'

Thursday 8 August 2 to 3pm: 'School meet up' for St James and Malmesbury Park

Thursday 15 August 2 to 3pm: 'School meet up' for Kings Park and Queens Park

Tuesday 20 August 10.30 to 12am: Sensory Fun 0 to 8 years Wednesday 21 August 11am to 4pm: Family Fun Day at Churchill Gardens

Thursday 22 August 2 to 3pm: 'School meet up' for St Clements

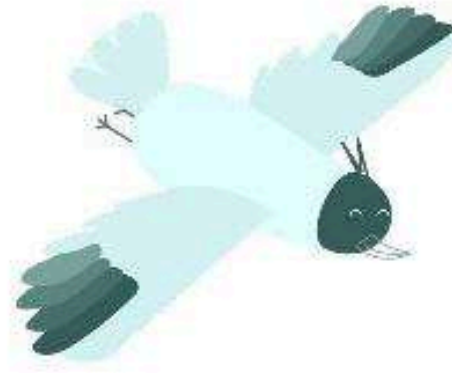
Thursday 29 August 2 to 3pm: 'School meet up' for Muscliff

Please call to book your place:

Boscombe Family Hub, 2 Ashley Close, Bournemouth BH1 4PE. T. 01202 096699

E. boscombefamilyhub@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

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Tuesday 30 July	Our important relationships	
Tuesday 6 August	Self care, taking care	
Tuesday 13 August	Resilient me	
Tuesday 20 August	Wonderful me	
Tuesday 27 August	Optimistic me	



Further resources and activities will be shared in each session, so you can carry on 'stormbreaking' together.

Sign up by scanning the QR code or visit <https://shorturl.at/4b5IL>



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SCHOOL CLUBS

After-School Clubs

Please see the wide range of after-school clubs on offer at St Joseph's. For information on how to book please see our website: <https://www.stjosephs.dorset.sch.uk/> or email the school office on admin@stjosephs.dorset.sch.uk

MONDAY:

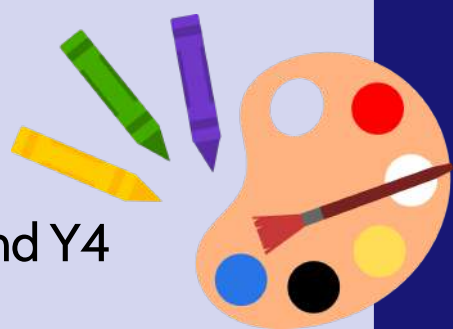
Forest School for boys and girls in Yrs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Coding Club for Ducklings, Year 1 and Year 2 3.15pm-4.15pm

TUESDAY:

Art Club for boys and girls in years 4, 5 and 6.

Football Coaching for Reception, Years 1, 2, 3 and Y4



WEDNESDAY:

Coding Club for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

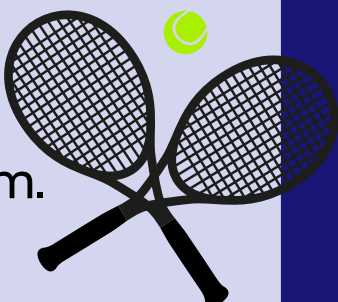
Karate (Junior classes Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) (6.15-7.45pm)

Girls' Football Club for Years 3, 4, 5, 6 3.15pm-4.15pm

THURSDAY:

French Club for Reception to Year 6. 3.15pm-4.20pm.

Tennis Club for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 3.15pm-4.15pm



FRIDAY:

Gymnastics club for boys and girls in Years 1-6. 3.15pm-4.15pm

MONDAY - FRIDAY:

Starlight Club - Breakfast and After School Club

Breakfast club - 7:45am-8:45am

After school club - 3:15pm-6pm Monday to Thursday

After School club 3.15pm-4.45pm on Fridays

AFTER SCHOOL TECH CLUB

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YEAR 3-6



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