



# St. Joseph's Journal

Free! Friday, 18th March 2022

12th Edition

## Writing Progress

It has been another busy week in school with lots of hard work happening in the classrooms and we ended the week with a lovely St Joseph Day Mass. We have seen some children obtaining their pen license. Our Year 6 heading towards smashing their targets. Year 3 making some wonderful 'Air Bee n Bee' houses and the joy of learning outside in our wonderful Forest School to name just a few highlights. However, I could not let this week pass without acknowledging the exceptional progress I saw when I popped into Year 1. I would like to share some of the incredible writing on the back page of this week's newsletter. I have picked a few examples from across both Miss Bacon and Miss Gattuso's class to share with you. If there was enough room, I would have photographed every child's book. Each and every member of Year 1 has made exceptional progress since September. Some of these children could not even form their letters or write on a straight line when they first joined Year 1. For some children just holding a pencil properly is a real skill to master. But believe me when I tell you, the standard of writing being produced is worth shouting about. These children are just 5 and 6 years old. Please do not compare, just celebrate and know that every child is different and every child progresses at an individual rate. That is why we pride ourselves on recognising every child's uniqueness at St Joseph's. Thank you for reading with your children. Just one page a night can make all the difference. The vocabulary choices used in their sentences have come from the books they are exposed to. Thank you for completing the weekly handwriting homework. The astonishing handwriting is a result of your love and support at the kitchen table at home. The growing confidence and belief that they can achieve anything is a true partnership between home and the talented staff, Mrs Goddard, Mrs Clarke, Mrs Shifan, Mrs Clark, Miss Bacon and Miss Gattuso who work so hard each and every day. Thank you, team St Joseph's, I'm loving your work!

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Walker



## Year 5—Hindleap Residential

Our Year 5 children recently took part in a residential trip at Hindleap Warren on Ashdown Forest. Various activities such as abseiling, shelter building, forest adventure and pioneering were on offer, giving them the opportunity to build relationships with their peers, and gain confidence doing things that would for some, be out of their comfort zone. All the children were a real credit to the school. So much so, the manager made a point to come and find me to tell me what a delightful group of children the cohort from St Joseph's were. What great ambassadors our pupils are. A real credit to their parents and the school. Well done Year 5! Many thanks to Miss Johnson, Mrs Rickard, Miss Seymour, Mrs Watson and Mr Wright for accompanying the children and looking after them.



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# Hindleap Adventure





## Medicine in school



If we hold medication in school for your child, please remember that it is your responsibility to check expiry dates with the school office. **Particularly Epipens and asthma inhalers. If your child requires antibiotics or any other medication, we can only administer if your child requires it 4 times or more in a school day. All medication MUST come to the school office in its box with the information leaflet enclosed.**

often mirrored by the children themselves. We would ask that when crossing the road, you use the pedestrian crossing and not cut through the traffic. Our year 5's and 6's (who being slightly older, are able to walk to and from school on their own), won't then think to try this shortcut themselves. Thank you as always for your cooperation in this matter.

## Community Support

If you are a family that doesn't meet the threshold for FSM but are in need of support with fuel, food, clothing and other essentials, please get in touch with the WSCC Community Hub. They can be contacted on 0330 222 7980 and are open Monday - Friday, 08.00 - 20.00pm and weekends and bank holidays from 09.00-17.00pm For further information about this scheme, please contact: [welfarecommunities@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:welfarecommunities@westsussex.gov.uk)

## NUTS & SESAME

**Please remember we have a NO nut or Sesame policy in school. This includes sandwich fillings such as Nutella / Peanut Butter and dips such as hummus. We have several children with severe nut and sesame allergies who are at risk of anaphylactic shock.**



## Green Cross Code

Please could we politely remind parents to set the example when crossing the roads outside of school. Whilst we appreciate that everyone is rushing to and from school, how we behave is quite

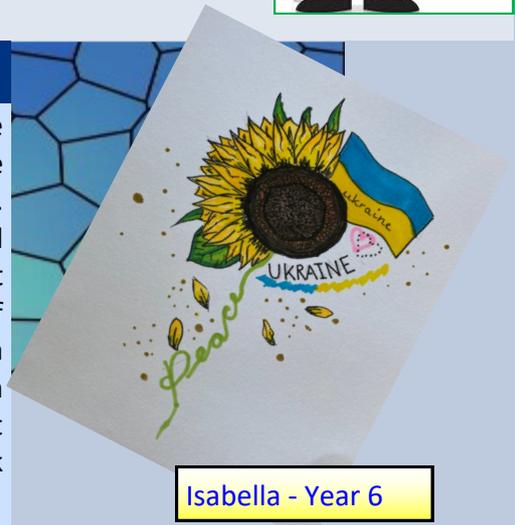


## Sports Update



It is so lovely that sporting events are again up and running. We have attended 2 sports festivals this week. A group of year 5 girls, accompanied by Miss Brown, attended a cricket festival on Monday and a group of year 3 and 4 children attended a

hockey festival with Mrs Ashworth on Wednesday. Sports festivals are a great way to introduce different sports to children that they may or may not have played before. After action packed mornings made up of teamwork and sports learning, they returned to St Joseph's - tired, but all still smiling!!



Isabella - Year 6

## FREE - Easter Holiday Camp available to Free School Meal children

Pioneer Childcare are running an Easter Holiday Activity Camp at Harlands Primary School. We're providing Free HAF (Holiday Activity & Food) Programme places for pupils who receive means tested Free School Meal.

For more information about our Easter Holiday HAF Camp please visit [pioneerchildcare.co.uk/holiday-activities-food-programme-easter-camps-2022/](http://pioneerchildcare.co.uk/holiday-activities-food-programme-easter-camps-2022/)

To book your place, please email [enquiries@pioneerchildcare.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@pioneerchildcare.co.uk) or call us on 01444 411388



## Spring Diary Dates

- 22nd Mar - Year 2, Open Learning Afternoon—please book online via ParentPay
- 25th Mar - FOS Second Hand Uniform Sale, 3pm
- 25th Mar - FOS Disco, KS1 5.15-6.15pm / KS2 6.15-7.30pm - booking via ParentPay
- 31st Mar - Year 3, Open Learning Afternoon—please book online via ParentPay
- 1st Apr - Reports Out (Y1-Y6)
- w/c 4th Apr - Spirituality Week
- 8th Apr - End of term



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# Year 1 Writing

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March  
 L.O. To be able to identify adjectives and verbs.

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Suddenly her nose is moving  
 Her small ears which gently her  
 back is breathing and  
 like an elegant  
 She barked in a  
 dash. Her round ears are  
 big. Silently her small  
 ears which her thin whiskers  
 move as she sniffs. The  
 little paws lead to

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 L.O. To be able to use different sentence starters.

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March  
 L.O. To be able to identify adjectives and verbs.

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Suddenly we see gently  
 we see the tiger and  
 on her back. Her eyes  
 are yellow. Her eyes look in  
 the direction of the noise.  
 Suddenly her pinky paws  
 are slipping slowly. Her  
 whiskers are like thin  
 lines. She gets worried by a noise.

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Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Her small ears  
 are slowly but  
 she licks her nose  
 and blinks.

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Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Suddenly the tiger looks so  
 cute. It slowly starts to  
 play by the window and  
 the sun is shining.

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Great to do the 3 sentence challenge  
 black black black  
 pink pink pink

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Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

Small  
 which

It can  
 move  
 good

Great effort Judo

EPIC is a tense  
 window of fast  
 do us with the party  
 nittipops are delicious  
 dad's fish are  
 too sleepy coos  
 a ruffled  
 legs can bang  
 and day after  
 pink nose

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