



Nursery Weekly Focus

Week Beginning: 8th July 2024

We are nearly ready to break up for the Summer Term. We would just like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents for the support over this last year. We would like say a Goodby to our children moving onto Reception, either here at St Joseph's or at a new school entirely, we will you all the best and are going to miss you. Have a wonderful Summer break and look after yourselves and make many memories.

In Literacy this week, we will continue with our new text, 'Octopants'. We will use role play and a story map to help us learn to retell the story. We will perform our story of Octopants

In Maths this week, we will continue practising our counting skills. We will be counting forwards and backwards, to and from 10. We will practise writing our numbers. We will be counting specific objects on a 1:1 correspondence and practice subitising to 5.

In RE, we will continue our new unit called 'Special Celebrations'. We will learn about the story of 'The Wedding Feast of Cana'. **With your child, can you talk about the first miracle Jesus performed of turning the water in the jugs to wine.**

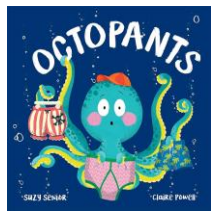
In Understanding the World, we will begin our topic of 'Summer'. We will explore what happens to water in the heat of the sun through water painting.

Focus words this week: Perform, Inflatable, Marriage, Beach, Holiday

Talk about the words and what they mean. Can you use these words within a sentence throughout the week?

Focus Story:

Octopants



Rhyme of the week

Ask your child to tell or sing you, their favourite nursery rhyme.

Maths Focus: Counting



Can you count a group of toys?

Can you count your stairs as you walk up them?

Can you subitise to 5, this means recognising numbers in objects without needing to count?

Story Time

Reading books will be changed on a Monday. Please send your child's book bag into school each day with their planner and reading book. Please ensure the planner is signed to show that you have read with your child.

Thank you.

Reminder: We will open the gates for the morning parents to come and collect the children from the classroom and for the afternoon parents to bring their child down and help them with their coat and bag.

Nursery Staffing Arrangements

The Nursery class is being taught by a Nursery Team of staff: Mrs Bamforth, Mrs Evans (Teacher) and Mrs Machin (Teaching Assistant).

If you have any concerns, please contact Mrs Hannett.



As the weather is improving, please ensure your child has sun cream applied to them prior to coming to school.

Please send in a sunhat to wear when we are outdoors. If you want these can be kept in school, please just make sure your child's name is clearly labelled.

Home Readers

As you will have noticed, each of your children brought home a 'home reader' book. These are for you to read with your child and develop an enjoyment and excitement for reading.

You can change these books whenever you are ready too.

Morning parents: In the morning, when you drop your child off, there is a bookcase in the cloakroom, this is where the home readers are kept, please, return and collect a new one when you need too.

Afternoon parents: At the end of the day, when you collect your child, there is a bookcase in the cloakroom, this is where the home readers are kept, please, return and collect a new one when you need too.

This week the children will:

- Continue to practice our counting daily, numbers up to 17, when we count the children in class.
- We will read the story 'Octopants'.
- We will learn to retell the story through a story map, actions and role play.
- We will perform our story of 'Octopants'.
- We will practice counting forwards and backwards.
- We will practice counting objects with 1:1 correspondence.
- We will subitise to 5.
- Practice writing some pre-writing shapes and our names.
- We will explore what happens to water in the heat of the sun.
- We will enjoy our beach day with Reception.
- Practising using our manners, saying 'Yes please', and 'No thank you' during snack time.
- We will learn to use 1p to pay for our snack at snack time.
- Practising taking turns and sharing during our guided play.
- We will role play in a souvenir shop, beach and beach cafe.
- We will learn about 'The Wedding Feast of Cana'.
- We will also continue to learn our daily prayers.

Important dates

Tuesday 16th July - Golden Stamp Reward Day

Thursday 18th July - Beach Day with Reception

BREAK UP FOR THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS - Friday 19th July

AUTUMN TERM DATES

Monday 2nd September & Tuesday 3rd September - School Closed to Pupils - Staff Training Day

Wednesday 4th September - Nursery Closed - Staff completing home visits

School starts for Reception Group 1 in school until 1pm

Thursday 5th September - Nursery Closed - Staff completing home visits

Reception Group 1 start full days

Friday 6th September - Nursery Open to all pupils

Reception Group 2 in school until 1pm