

St Joseph's Newsletter

26/06/2026



Hot weather, thank you for your support throughout the past few days. We are ensuring that the children have constant access to water and are not out in the sun for too long. Please continue to make sure that they have sunscreen on and a hat.

Swimming Gala and Triathlon

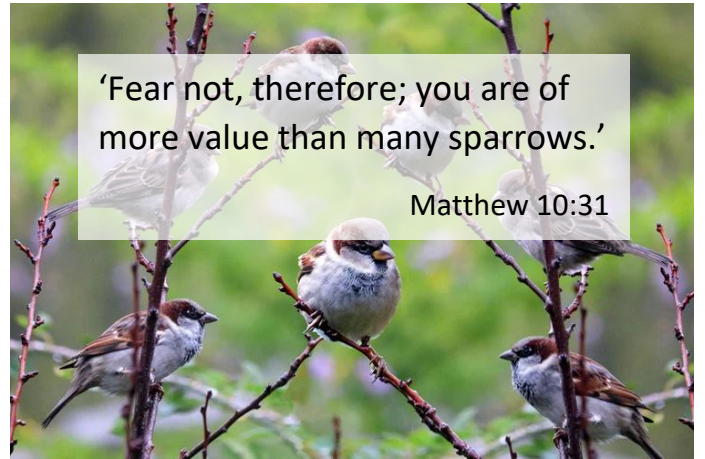
Children from KS2 competed in a swimming gala at Broughton Baths last week and showed amazing determination and support for their team.

Some other children in KS2 participated in the Brownlee Foundation Triathlon, where they swam, cycled and finished with a run.



'Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.'

Matthew 10:31



How many times does a person blink in a minute? How many fingerprints like yours exist in the world? How much does an average 8 year old grow in a year? How many hairs are on the average human head?

I wonder... how does it feel to know that God loves and cares for you?

In the Gospel Jesus reminds His disciples to trust God and not fear, because God loves and values them. You might not have known the answers to all the questions in the quiz – and that's okay! What is amazing is that God does know all the answers, because He made us each one of us! Jesus' words tell us the truth, God's love is always with us, even when we face troubles or difficulties.

What Has Been Happening In Class This Week

Nursery

Nursery have become expert gardeners this year. A few months ago, we planted some tiny seeds, we have been looking after them, watering them, weeding them and making sure no slugs and snails eat them. The seeds began to grow, and they are now big plants. Some of our plants have now got vegetables on them that we can eat. This week we have been eating the peas we have grown, and the children all agreed that they taste delicious.



Reception

This week reception have been learning about how we are all unique and special. We looked in the mirror to see what colour our eyes, hair, and skin are. Then we made pictures of our faces in the playdough and painted pictures of ourselves checking our eye, hair and skin colour. We talked about how God created us and how we are all different.



Year 1

This week in year one we did our best to keep cool in the heat. We drew, wrote, and did research about animals that live in cold environments. We learnt about polar bears and penguins. We opened our school store this week. We hired children to be cashiers and practise using coins.

Year 2

Year 2 have been so wonderful this week and have done a fantastic job in this heat! In Science we had fun testing objects to see if they floated or sank and thought about how we could make them sink. We also talked about sun safety and the children created some brilliant posters about sun dangers and what we should do to stay safe in the sun and heat! In English we looked at the Arctic and Arctic animals and then we wrote about what we would do if it was the coldest day of the year!

Year 3

Well Done Year 3 on an amazing week, you have worked so hard completing all of our assessments. You answered each question with careful consideration, and all tried your very best we are so proud of you!

In between all the hard work and the heatwave, we have had lots of fun too, making sure we kept cool making some amazing fans. We have spent some time developing our PSHE backpacks helping us keep regulated in class, this means we are aware of what we need to help us stay regulated and ready to learn. We are learning to identify when we need more focus, some calm, to energise, when we need help and how to ask for it. 'Celebrate' is one of our favourites as everyone in our class is different, we all have different needs and it's wonderful to begin to recognise this and celebrate it.

Well Done on another amazing week year 3.

Year 4

Our pupils have shown incredible resilience whilst completing their assessments under quite challenging conditions. Despite this, they all tried their very best, and I am extremely proud of the results they achieved.

In English, we have been exploring the world of Haiku poetry. The children learnt about the structure, themes, and rhythm of this traditional Japanese form, and then applied their understanding to create their own thoughtful and creative Haikus. Their work beautifully captured elements of nature, emotion, and seasonal imagery.



In Humanities, we have been focusing on Salford's location using a variety of maps. The children really enjoyed identifying Salford on local, national, and global scales, while discussing key geographical features and landmarks.

In Science, the class have been investigating electricity by creating their own electrical circuits. It was fantastic to see their curiosity and problem-solving skills in action.

Year 5

I have been incredibly impressed by how hard-working Year 5 have been during this week's heatwave. Despite the high temperatures, they have shown great determination and focus, putting a huge amount of effort into their assessments. Everyone should be very proud of the excellent work they have produced. This week, the children have also enjoyed deepening their knowledge of Ancient Greece, particularly learning about Athens and Sparta, as well as developing a better understanding of the Ten Commandments in RE. In maths, we have been simplifying fractions and finding their decimal equivalents, while in English we explored the story of King Midas, reflecting on the consequences of his choices and considering what a truly wise wish might be. It has been a very warm week, but the children have continued to give their very best. Well done, Year 5!

Year 6 have been rehearsing, rehearsing, rehearsing this week - the show is coming together nicely as the children grow in confidence in their parts. They have been doing some work too and have continued to create some amazing texts in English. They have all chosen their own topic and written a 'How to ...' explanation text - why not ask your child what they chose to write about? They have also been journalists in RE, writing about the miracles of Jesus. We really hope the children who have attended high school transition this week have had a great time and are feeling excited about the next step in their educational journey. We are looking forward to hearing all about it on Monday.

Happy Birthday to....

Frankie

Logan

Kristin

Deakan

This Week's Attendance

Nursery	83.6%
Reception	83.5%
Year 1	88.6%
Year 2	86.4%
Year 3	91.7%
Year 4	90.7%
Year 5	82%
Year 6	94.1%
School	87.5%

Dates to Remember

Date	Event
Monday 29th June	9:30am - Year 1 and 2 Sports Day 11am - Year 5 and 6 Sports Day
Thursday 2nd July	9:30am - Year 3 and 4 Sports Day
Thursday 9th July	Y5 transition All Hallows Trip
Friday 17th July	9.15am – Year 6 Class Assembly School finishes 2.30pm
Thursday 3rd September	School Opens for the New Academic Year