

The KINDERGARTEN at St. JOSEPH'S PARENT and CARER WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Week Commencing 27 May 2019 Half Term

Nurturing Your Child Through Play

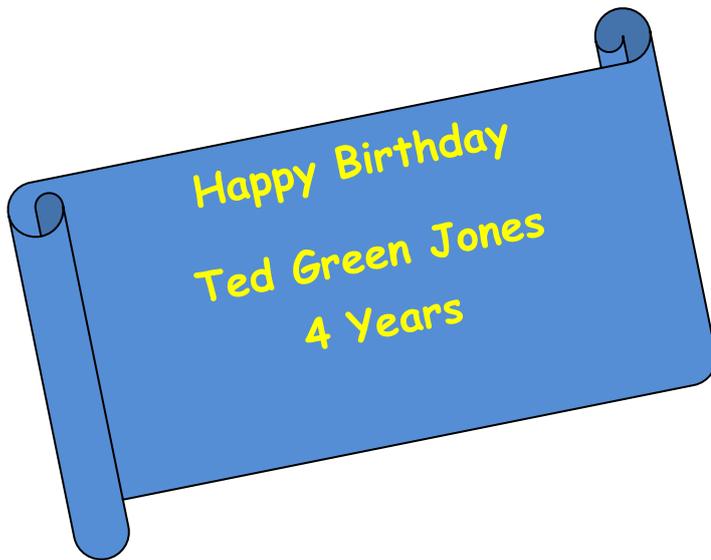


Car Park

Thank you for not parking in the school car park.

If your child is not able to attend a session, please would send a message on Family or email the office. It would be helpful if you gave the reason for the absence.

For Safeguarding reasons if your child has not arrived we will attempt to contact you but would very much prefer you did not leave it to us to call.



Thinking of applying to St Joseph's Catholic primary school?

If you are and you attend St Joseph's Catholic Church did you know that you must "sign in"?

If you want to know how please ask Louise.

If you want to understand more about what ages and stages of child development (when a child can do something), "What to expect, When?" is a really easy document to read. You can find it on our website on the policy page or you can buy your own copy by following this link: <https://www.actionforchildren.org.uk/resources-and-publications/information-guides/what-to-expect-when-a-parents-guide/>

Dates to remember:

We are closed next week it is half term.

Summer

Tues 23 April - Mon 22 July (Half Term Mon 27 May - Fri 31 May We are not open)

Sportsday : Friday 28 June 1:30 is for all preschool children

Our Session times

Morning 8:40-11:55 Afternoon 12:10 -15:10 School Day 8:40-15:10

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Getting Ready for School - A message from Suzy

This week we have been talking to some of the Pre-schoolers about starting school and talking about their Uniforms. We spent time labelling the items of uniform e.g. Jumpers, shirts, polo shirts, skirts, trousers, ties. We talked about what we might pack in our book bags, and the children were very hopeful that they could pack "toys" in their school bags.

The children were then invited to practice their independence skills by taking their shoes and socks off and then trying on different school uniforms and wearing this and extending this in their play in the front garden.

Areas to focus on at home.

- o Can your child successfully take on and off own shoes and socks? Have a practice especially with shoes with Velcro and buckles.
- o Try on button shirts (especially children attending St Joseph's primary school), practice the tiny buttons on shirts and the feel of the collar around the neck as this can feel very different to t-shirts. Tip - M&S do sell white shirts with a Velcro top button!!
- o Promote and encourage their independence in getting changed and dressed in the mornings (in preparation for PE lessons).
- o Can your child do the zip and buttons on their own coat? Keep practising, it will be worth it by the time September comes.
 - o Talk about what items you might pack in a school book bag.



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Information If your child is having Lunch

Phew! Back to the old format! This is the menu for when we return after the half term break.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
main				
Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Minced Beef Pastry Topped Pie	Roast Gammon Gravy Pineapple Slice Roast Potatoes Broccoli Florets	Beef Burger High Fibre Bun Sweetcorn Tomato Ketchup	Pollock Fish Fingers Country Style Potatoes Peas
Summer Salad	Gravy Mashed Potato Fresh Shredded Cabbage			
vegetarian				
Boston Beans	Quorn & Butternut Squash Curry	Cauliflower Cheese Carrot Batons	Butternut Squash Quorn Burger Coleslaw	Quorn Sausage & Tomato Roll Baked Beans
Jacket Potato	White Rice			
Peas	Sweetcorn			
dessert				
Iced Sponge	Yoghurt Pots	Jelly	Vanilla Smoothie	Chocolate Cookie
Yoghurt Pots	Primary Fruit Option	Fresh Fruit	Watermelon	Milk Drink
Primary Fruit Option		Creme Fraiche Yoghurt Pots Primary Fruit Option	Yoghurt Pots Primary Fruit Option	Yoghurt Pots Primary Fruit Option

Below is the link for information about the food itself

<https://www2.myschoollunch.co.uk/surrey/primary-schools/the-education/the-complete-guide-to-surrey-school-meals/>

We very much welcome your contributions to our fruit basket. The snack table is always very well visited by the children.



We would also appreciate a box of tissues and a packet of wipes each half term.



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Preschool Children

Please could you help us by encouraging your child not to bring toys into Kindiejoes. We want them to get ready for school where bringing toys is definitely not allowed but also we will be introducing a Shining Star of the Day where each child will be allowed to bring something in to talk about. They won't feel so special if other children have also brought toys in.

Thank You

A little reminder about how to wash hands.

First wet your hand.



Then add soap



Next rub hands to make bubbles



Finally rinse and dry.



We have noticed some new coats and hats. Some of the children are not recognising their new clothing so please, please, please will you mark new (and old) belongs with your child's name.



Uniform

I have been contacted by My Clothing which is the company that provided Tesco with their embroidery service.

I have agreed to let them continue to supply and have added some more items to the range. There is now a reversible fleece and a rucksack.

Take a look and get ordering.

www.myclothing.com



Outside Play

Weather at this time of year is extremely changeable and we do love outdoor play.

Please remember to send your child with a coat, they may also need to be smothered in suncream and if your child is staying all day please could you send a bottle of suncream with their name on it and we will reapply when needed.

A gentle reminder that smoking is not permitted on the site.

Could I politely ask you not to smoke when your children are near you. The smell tends to remain on your child for quite sometime and we do have some children with respiratory conditions that are affected by the lingering smell of smoke.

Pooch Corner

Is the Toddler group that meets in the Church on Monday Mornings. They are looking for volunteers to help set up and generally help. Let me know if you might be able to help.

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What are you doing during half term?

The park is always a favourite. Swinging on the swings, sliding down the slide and getting dizzy spinning around and around on a roundabout. You can really do lots to increase your children's vocabulary playing in the playground.



Bocketts Farm has a spring spectacular this week. We have been teaching the children the names of baby animals so this could be an ideal time to find out how much they remember. Bocketts in case you have not visited before can be found at Young Street, Fetcham KT22 9BS.



Birdworld near Farnham may also be worth a visit especially at penguin feeding time.

Sometimes just a simple ride on a train or a bus can be the most thrilling activity. If you live in Epsom why not get on the bus to Bourne Hall. The area surrounding the pond is covered with daisies. I was thinking you just might be able to make the world's longest Daisy Chain!



Box Hill will be fantastic to climb and the children will enjoy the freedom to run and roll.



The library with all its books is a good place to spend half a day.

One last suggestion. Take a look at Family there is an activity library which you can access.



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Last Week:



Oh what fun we have had this week and most of it has been outdoors but could I find any photographs of the children outside!!

Annabelle invented a great game using lint rollers to catch worms. Well not real worms but pipe cleaners. Something fun but is helping children decide which hand they will use when they are writing, helping them to identify one object and developing strength and control in their arms. Clever girl our Annabelle.



I will own up and say I know nothing about the photograph of animals and fruit but someone had fun!

Our little ones are growing up and we are seeing so much more cooperative play; children taking turns and sharing. Wonderful!



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FKYs - First Kindergarten Year Children starting school Sep 2020

Pre- Sch - pre-schoolers children starting school September 2019

There will not be many photos or observations of the preschool children coming to you as we are closing down their learning journeys and preparing reports for them. And we now just want to enjoy their company for the remaining weeks.

The plan is for the week we return after the break.

Date: Monday 3rd June 2019

Early Years Foundation Stage - Weekly plan

Next Steps: PSED - Taking turns and sharing. PD - Large & small motor skill development - Gardening, large & small K'nex. Maths - counting, comparing size, comparing quantities. C&L - extending vocabulary/understanding, following instructions. Lit - letters of the week, tracing lines. UW - Gardening, Bug Hotel, staying safe in the sun. EAD - Collage, painting.

Atlantic room, Pacific room & outdoors.

AREA	Creative Workshop	Sand & Water	Construction & technical/ Malleable & tactile	Small world & imaginative	Mathematics	Exploration & investigation	Mark making	FKYs
MON	Collage	Diggers in sand	Small K'nex	Happy Land	Size order	Activity with Suzy	Paint on easel	In/on
			Large K'nex					Turn taking/tracing lines
TUE	Sand pictures	Paddling pool	Lego	Train station	More or less	How to stay safe in the sun -Slip. Slop Slap	Paint brushes and buckets of water	In/on
			Duplo					Turn taking/tracing lines
WED	Seahorses	Paddling pool	Foam bricks	Farm	Sink or float	Magnets	Tracing dinosaurs	In/on
			Bug Hotel pm FKYS					Turn taking/tracing lines
THUR	<u>Sand castles</u> wet & dry sand	Pirates in water	Gardening	Outside office	Teddies & cups	Magnetic books	Flow paint	In/on
			Sticklebricks					Turn taking/tracing lines
FRI	Beach Balls	Spoons, cups in sand	Den building	Puppets	Rulers, paper & pen	Discovery bottles	Stencils, paper & pens	In/on
								Turn taking/tracing lines
Outdoor physical activities this week:					Children's requests:		Makaton signs of the week:	
Tykes cars, climbing frame, crates, slides, see saws, trampoline, hula hoops, tyres & planks.							Good Morning	
Shapes of the week: (FKY/Pre-sch)		Letters of the week:		Books of the week:			Nursery rhyme:	Words of the week:
 Revise all previous shapes		h		FKYS: Kipper - Sandcastle Pre-schoolers: Winnie The Witch <u>At</u> The Beach			Mary Mary Quite Contrary	Weather related vocabulary



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PFA
Tues- Fri



Bernie - Deputy
PFA
Mon - Wed



Bernisi - Deputy
DSL
Tues Thurs & Fri



Louise
DSL
PFA



Megan
Tues & Wed



Manuella
(Manu)
Mon, Thurs & Fri



Karen
Volunteer



Daisy
Volunteer



Annabelle
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Mon, Wed & Thurs



Suzy - SENDCo
Mon, Tues & Fri



Jolanta
PFA
Wed - Fri



Nadyne
Mon, Tues & Fri

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PFA- Paediatric First Aid
DSL - Safeguarding Lead

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If you are interested please contact her and tell her that you came from Kindiejoes.

And for those of you feeling left out Lynda is now providing adult Tap Classes for all (and no) abilities. So much fun!

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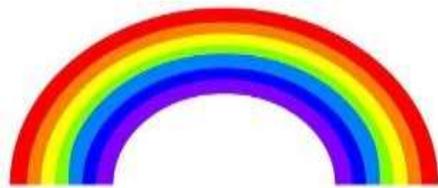


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Epsom & Ewell's Rainbow Group
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Thursday 30th May 2019

10:00- 11.30am



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St Martins Children's Centre, Worple Road, Epsom, KT18 7AA

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For more information please call us on:

01372 730 435



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Closure

Sadly the centre is closing to families on

Friday 14th June 2019

Kerry, Sharon and Karen would like to thank everyone who has contributed to making the last 10 years so enjoyable and successful.

We wish you all the best as your families continue to grow.

From September there will be two Family Centres in the borough, Epsom and Riverview (current children's centres). If you need any support in the future please ring and staff will be happy to help.

Epsom Family Centre- 01372 749834

Pound Lane, Epsom KT19 8SD

Riverview Family Centre- 020 8337 7310

Riverview Road, West Ewell KT19 0JP

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