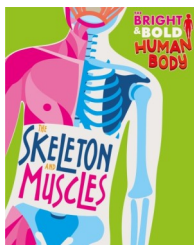
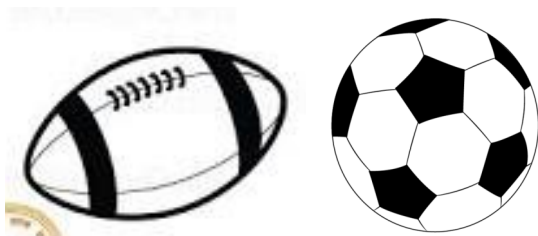


In Science, our topic will be Animals including humans. Children will learn about the different types of nutrients that human's need to keep healthy and strong. They will also learn about the different types of skeletons that living things have and how muscles are used for protection, support and movement.



P.E. will take place on a **Monday** and **Wednesday** afternoons. In PE this term, our focus will be indoor athletics and rugby, netball and football. We ask that children come to school wearing their PE kits and these must be a plain white T-shirt and dark coloured tracksuit bottoms or shorts with a school PE hoody or school sweatshirt/ cardigan and suitable trainers.



Please don't hesitate to speak to me at the start or end of the school day if you have any queries or concerns. With so many exciting things going on, don't forget to keep checking our Facebook page to find out more.

Many thanks,
Mrs. Parkinson

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



Class 3

Newsletter

Autumn Term 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

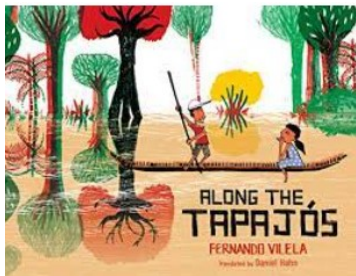
Welcome back! I hope you have had a refreshing summer break with your families. We are happy to have welcomed our children back to a new school year, especially our new year 3s!



This term, we have lots of exciting learning experiences to look forward to. We will begin with exploring Rivers and the Ancient Egyptians, with some exciting trips and outings to look forward to. There will be plenty of opportunities to be creative through our Art and DT topic's, taking

inspiration from the illuminated manuscripts of the Lindisfarne gospels and the book of Kells to create our own illuminated letters. Later on in the term, children will be coming home with their own Pasta dishes to share as part of our cooking and nutrition topic in DT.

PE will be on Monday and Wednesday - please can children come to school wearing their PE kits on these days. This must be a plain white T-shirt and dark coloured tracksuit bottoms or shorts with a school PE hoody or school sweatshirt/cardigan.



Our class books for the term are, 'Along the Tapajós' by Fernando Vilela and, 'The Legend of Tutankhamun' by Sally Jane Morgan. The books link in well with our History, Geography and PSHE work. Along the Tapajós is a beautifully illustrated story about a brother and sister who live in a small community along the Tapajós river in Brazil. The other is a vivid retelling of the story of one of our most well-known Egyptian Pharaohs. A young king, a lost tomb and the discovery of a treasure trove of unimaginable splendor! Our reading and writing activities will link to these books and will include setting and character description, diary writing, poetry and a non-chronological report.



In Geography, we will be exploring the journey of a river, learning about how its physical features change, and our human interaction and impact with the river and its environment.

In History, we will be exploring what life was like for the Ancient Egyptians and developing our understanding of chronology.

In Maths, we will be looking at Place Value, before moving on to the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will learn different ways to solve problems including formal written methods, and we will be further developing our reasoning and problem-solving skills. We will also be looking at length and perimeter.



We continue to celebrate the Year of Jubilee through our liturgy and collective worship, gathering together as pilgrims of hope for times of prayer and reflection as we listen to the Holy Spirit and open our hearts to the word of God.

In RE we will be exploring families and their importance to us; we will learn about key figures from the Bible through exploring Jesus's family tree, and understand more about the great story of God and his people. We will also spend a week studying Judaism.



From Sunday 3rd December, we will begin the season of Advent as we prepare for the birth of Jesus.

The RE parent letter will also share some important dates coming up this term.



Homework—Children will bring home their reading books to read on Thursday. They will also have reading tasks to complete on Reading Plus. Children should be practicing their times tables regularly in order to develop their knowledge and fluency of the multiplication facts; they can practice these using the games and tasks on TT Rocks stars. Log in details for reading plus and TT Rockstars will be sent home, so these can be accessed anytime.