St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Reception Newsletter

Friday 6th November 2026

Go, shine in the world

What have we been learning this week?

Phonics

The focus this week has been learning and recognising their set 1 phonics sounds. The children are now beginning to put this knowledge into practice by learning how to sound out and blend simple three-letter words (CVC words). For example c-a-t, h-o-p, l-i-d.

Maths: Representing numbers 1,2 and 3

This week the children have been representing the numbers 1,2 and 3 in lots of different ways. Using objects, pictures and drawings, they took part in a range of activities that helped them to represent these numbers.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World: Bonfire night

This half term our topic is Celebrations. This week we have been looking at how people celebrate bonfire night. The children have enjoyed sharing their own experiences and talking about how they celebrate this special occasion at home. Reception have produced some beautiful firework artwork and have written their own firework poems.








How can you help your child with their learning?

We have now started sending home weekly homework to support the children's learning. Each week, the children will receive one phonics activity and one maths activity to complete at home. Homework will be sent home weekly and should be returned every Thursday, along with their reading books.