



Good afternoon and welcome back to a new school year!

I am sorry I couldn't be there to meet with you this week but know the children have had a fabulous start to the year.

It is truly an honour to be able to come and lead St Joseph's and I look forward to meeting and getting to know you all.

A little about me to give you an idea of where I have come from... I have recently been leading a primary school in Harlow and before that have spent the last decade at St Thomas More's primary school which is part of the Rosary trust. Before joining there, I spent a lot of time working with disadvantaged and SEND children and fully embrace the idea of supporting all children to reach their goals whatever they may be.

Please feel free to speak to me on the gates in the morning, I can't wait to work with you to give the children at St Joseph's another great year of learning!

Mr Bevan



Class	Attendance	
	Last Year	This Week
1	97.08%	98.41%
2	95.36%	98.28%
3	95.64%	97.85%
4	94.58%	89.90%

Certificate Winners

Certificates will continue next week...

Class 1:

Class 2:

Class 3:

Class 4:

Whole School Attendance this Week: 95.76%

Winning Class this Week: Class 1 - 98.41%



Winning House Team This Week:

Will continue next week.....

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Thurs 10 th September	First Class 4 Swim – up to half-term
Fri 11 th September	1pm Class 4 Litter Pick – more details to follow on Seesaw
Tues 15 th September	School Photos – individuals/siblings
Thurs 17 th September	11am Mass – New School Year (whole school to attend)
Fri 25 th September	MacMillan Cake Sale – see below
Mon 5 th October	Flu Vaccine Session – Details to follow
Fri 9 th October	2.30pm Harvest Assembly
Weds 14 th October	Parent/Teacher Meetings – Details to follow
Fri 16 th October	10am Class 4 Mass in school
Tues	Parent/Teacher Meetings – Details to follow
Fri 23 rd October	Non Pupil Day
Mon 26 th October	Half Term – 1 Week
Mon 2 nd November	Back to School
Mon 23 rd November	Class 4 Residential

**Term Dates for 2026/2027
are on our School Website**

Week Beginning Monday 7th September

Week 2 of the Menu

SUMMER – WEEK 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Burger Or Sandwich	Pizza Or Sandwich	Roast Chicken Or Sandwich	Brunch Lunch Or Sandwich	Fish Fingers and Chips Or Sandwich
Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar
Fruit and Yoghurt	Fruit and Yoghurt	Fruit and Yoghurt	Fruit and Yoghurt	Fruit and Yoghurt or Treat Friday

**Cool water, fresh fruit and yoghurt available daily*



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

St Joseph's are occasionally asked to promote activities from local groups, such as the Swimming Pool, the Sports Hall, Church Groups etc....

Such activities are not quality assured by the school and parents should be aware of the need to reassure themselves at inspection reports etc.

Our school website can be found at:

<https://www.st-josephs-dovercourt.essex.sch.uk/>



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

FAITH • LEARN • GROW • TOGETHER

'Kind words, kind hands'

Together
we can make
a difference



Cake & Coffee Afternoon



Friday
25th September



School Hall
from 2.30pm



Homemade Cakes and
Cake Donations would be
hugely grateful.



Good
Cake
Brighter
Days



**WE ARE
MACMILLAN.
CANCER SUPPORT**

Cakes, coffee and a brighter
tomorrow for people living
with cancer.



Help us create a new piece of history in Harwich!

To celebrate the regeneration work taking place in Harwich we want you to design a new Coat of Arms celebrating all things Harwich and why it is such a special place. The winning design will be recreated on the utility cabinet outside of Harwich Library, with a celebratory unveiling for the winning artist to attend.

Harwich has an official Crest (Coat-of-Arms) which can be found in the Council Chamber of the Guildhall and represents key images that make Harwich special.

The Portcullis: (A portcullis is a heavy, vertically closing gate used in medieval fortifications) Pendent from the mast this is a classic royal emblem indicating the town's defensive strength and role as a heavily fortified maritime stronghold



The Ship: Positioned on waves represents Harwich's historic status as a vital naval base and shipbuilding center

The motto for Harwich is written in Latin 'Omnia Bona Bonis' which translates 'To the good all things are good'

Who can enter?

- Children and young people aged 18 and under. (Entries must be submitted by a parent or legal guardian if the Entrant is under 13 years old).
- Entrants must live in Harwich or attend a school, college, community group or organisation in Harwich.

Competition dates

- Opens: 28 July 2026
- Closes: 15 September 2026

How to enter

Submit one original Coat of Arms design celebrating Harwich, either digitally to ECCHarwichArt@essex.gov.uk or as a paper copy, on the entry form overleaf, to Harwich Library.

Judging and prizes

Up to five finalists will be shortlisted by an Essex County Council appointed panel. Finalist designs will be displayed at Harwich Library for a public vote and all will receive a prize. The winning artist will receive the top prize of a £100 voucher and their design will be recreated outside Harwich Library.

Terms & Conditions

Entry into this competition is subject to the Competition Terms & Conditions, available at: <https://www.essex.gov.uk/standard-competition-terms-and-conditions>. By submitting an entry, the entrant and/or parent or guardian confirms they have read and accepted the Terms & Conditions.

For more information and the competition notice, please go to our website: <https://www.essex.gov.uk/news/2026/harwich-coat-arms-design-competition-notice>

Within the box below, we invite you to design a new Harwich Coat of Arms that symbolises and celebrates Harwich.



Name:

Age:

Contact Email Address:

School/College:

Privacy Notice

By entering this competition, you agree to Essex County Council (ECC) processing your personal data. ECC is the controller of the personal information you provide to us. The personal information collected on this form will be used by ECC to administer and manage the art competition in line with UK General Data Protection Regulation. This information will only be shared with Tendring District Council (TDC) and Harwich Arts and Heritage Centre for the purposes of administering the competition, including shortlisting entries, arranging public voting, contacting entrants, distributing prizes and promoting winning or shortlisted artwork. For more detail on how your personal information is used and your rights, please visit www.essex.gov.uk/privacy



Essex County Council

Tendring
District Council





MAYFLOWER MEDICAL CENTRE
invites you to our



COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELLBEING FAIR



Tuesday 8th September 2026
10am-2pm
at Park Pavilion, Barrack Lane,
CO12 3NS



Stalls from...
Local Charities,
Screening Services,
Mental Health Support,
Extended GP Practice Staff,
CVST Winter items available
and many more...

No need to register, walk-ins welcome



Caroline Huggins is raising money for Multiple Sclerosis Society
London Marathon 2027 - Sunday · 25 April 2027 ·

I'm so grateful for all the support I received when I completed the MacMillan charity run at the Edinburgh Marathon in May 2026. It was a huge challenge, both mentally and physically, but crossing the finish line and receiving my medal was an unforgettable moment.

Now I'm taking on my next challenge: the London Marathon 2027 - Sunday, taking place on 25 April 2027, in support of the Multiple Sclerosis Society. This cause is especially close to my heart, as a close family member was diagnosed with MS when I was very young, and I have seen first-hand how deeply this condition can affect everyday life.

Multiple Sclerosis is a devastating disease, and while there has been encouraging progress in research and treatment over the past 20 years, there is still no cure. Continued research, awareness, and support are essential if we are to move closer to a future without MS.

I would be truly grateful if you could support my fundraising target of £2,500. Every donation, no matter the size, helps fund vital work and brings hope to people and families affected by this condition. Thank you for taking the time to read my story and for considering a donation to help make a difference.

https://www.justgiving.com/page/caroline-huggins-2?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL



IT'S ILLEGAL

TO RIDE PRIVATELY OWNED

E-SCOOTERS

IN ALL PUBLIC SPACES

X ROADS **X** PAVEMENTS **X** PARKS

YOU COULD RECEIVE
A FINE OR POINTS ON
YOUR LICENCE

YOUR E-SCOOTER
COULD BE SEIZED BY
POLICE

YOU CAN ONLY RIDE
ON PRIVATE LAND
WITH PERMISSION



SCAN QR CODE
TO FIND OUT MORE

