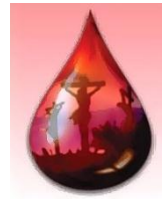




Dear parents, family members and friends of St Joseph's,

In the Catholic tradition, the month of July is officially dedicated to the Most Precious Blood of Jesus Christ.



This devotion centres on the physical blood Jesus shed on the Cross, as well as His sacramental blood present in the Eucharist. It emphasizes Christ's sacrificial love, divine mercy, and the redemption of humanity.

Lord Jesus, I love You. Thank You for shedding Your Precious Blood on the cross to wash away our sins and save us. Please keep my family, my friends, and me safe from all harm and close to Your Sacred Heart. Amen.

Congratulations to everyone at St Joseph's on achieving the prestigious school games mark GOLD award! Having previously been awarded bronze, the school set its sights on silver this year. Instead, thanks to the outstanding evidence submitted and the school's commitment to high-quality PE, sport and fully-inclusive extra-curricular opportunities, they leapfrogged straight to GOLD!

This is exceptional and reflects the dedication of staff, the enthusiasm of pupils and the generosity of our volunteers who drive sport. As the smallest school in Harwich, this recognition proves that excellence isn't measured by size but by ambition- and of course St Joseph's has that in barrels! Well done everyone.

Thank you to all the parent helpers and volunteers that joined us on our whole school beach and games trip on Wednesday. Everyone had a great day!

Thank you to Mr and Mrs Gueizelar for organising our Year 6 School Prom..... There are some photos below.

There are many posters also attached to this newsletter. We are asked by a lot of organisations to share them and hopefully there might be something of interest over the Summer.

Today's Scout Cake Sale raised £86.00. Thank you for your generosity.

School now has 1 week left before the holidays – There is an amended dinner menu for the last week.

Please see below.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community.

Attendance

Class	Last Week	This Week	Late Marks
1	97.73%	97.27%	2
2	93.33%	93.33%	3
3	95.59%	98.53%	8
4	94.85%	95.15%	6



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

has achieved the Gold School Games Mark
award for their commitment, engagement
in the School Games for 2025/26.







Certificate Winners

Class 1: Billy, Awele and all of Reception

Class 2: Edie, Orla and Wynter

Class 3: Rupert, Amelia and Declan

Class 4: Ruby, Harper, Celine, Lilly-May, Violet, Teddie, Lottie, John, Jaxx, Jacob, Heidi, Emma, Eddie, Arwen and Aleks

Whole School Attendance this week: 96.12%

Winning Class this week: Class 3 – 98.53%



Winning House Team This Week:

ST DAVID AND ST ANDREW

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Mon 13 th July	Class 3 Trip
Tues 14 th July	HDHS Y6 Children Extra Visit with St Joseph's Staff C4 Play 6pm
Weds 15 th July	C4 Play 1.30pm
Fri 17 th July	Last day of school for Children Leavers Mass 10am Leavers Assembly 1pm – School finishes at 2pm
Tuesday 1 st September	Non Pupil Day
Weds 2 nd September	All Children Return to School
Tues 15 th September	School Photos – individuals/siblings
Fri 25 th September	MacMillan Cake Sale
Mon 5 th October	Flu Vaccine Session – 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 13th July

Last Week of Term Menu

SUMMER – FINAL WEEK

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pasta Bake or Sandwich	Burger in a Bun Or Sandwich	Pizza Or Sandwich	Chicken Nuggets Or Sandwich	Party Bag
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/>



Summer Holidays

20th July – 28th August • £10 per activity

Open every
other Saturday
throughout the
holidays

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:00 – 11:00	Music		Pick & Paint Pottery		FRIDAY FUN DAY 10:00 – 13:00 14:00 – 17:00 • Sensory Rooms • Cinema/Gaming Room • Music • Arts & Crafts • Circus Skills
11:00 – 12:00	Arts & Crafts SEN		Music SEN		
12:00 – 13:00		Games	Bracelet Making	Games	
13:00 – 14:00	Pick & Paint Pottery SEN	Games	Arts & Crafts	Games	
14:00 – 15:00	Slime Making	Games		Games	
15:00 – 16:00		Games	Slime Making SEN	Games	
16:00 – 17:00	Bracelet Making SEN	Games	Cookery Session	Games	

Tuesday and Thursday board game afternoons are FREE!
Games take place in the café – Refreshments available to purchase

Lunches from £5

Tasty meals & snacks available every day!

SUMMER SPECIALS

Sensory Room + Lunch
FOR 4 CHILDREN
£38

Children's Cookery Sessions
£15
PER SESSION

Fun Day Wristbands
£10
PER 3 HOUR SESSION

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- Hydro Pool
- Sensory Room

Extras and Add-ons:

- Character Visit
- Decorated Area
- Party Bags



READ to the BEAT

Summer Reading
Challenge 2026

Join FREE at your
local library!



Saturday 18 July to Saturday 5 September
At your local Essex library or mobile library -
see libraries.essex.gov.uk for library opening times



National
Year of
Reading
2026



Supporting public funding by
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ENGLAND**

Delivered in partnership with libraries
summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

EPP Ride Out

Join part of our big ride!

Celebrate EPP projects across Essex, by joining all the EPP Teams for a ride around Harwich.

Spaces are limited, so please book using the QR code below.



Sunday 12th July



5pm



Cricket Club to Harwich Arts and Heritage Centre 5 miles

For more information

please email us at

harwich.dovercourtepp@theaws.org





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This is a digital poster, please do not print



London Vegetable Orchestra workshop

Harwich Library

Saturday 25 July, 9.30 to 10.15pm

- Make your own instrument from a vegetable, discover how instruments produce sounds and learn a simple song
- Children must be accompanied by an adult
- £6 each, please book via website
- Followed at 10.15am by a free performance, open to all



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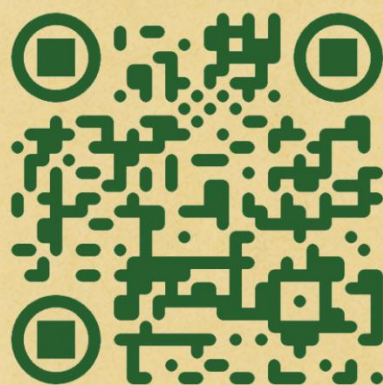


SIMPLE THINGS FESTIVAL

15TH
AUGUST
2026

HAMFORD VIEW,
LITTLE OAKLEY,
CO125JJ

MUSIC
STALLS
KIDS ACTIVITIES
FOOD AND DRINK
CIRCUS SKILLS



GATES OPEN
AT 12PM

SCAN QR CODE
FOR TICKETS

Ride to the Cinema



Join us for a ride from the Dovercourt Cricket Club to the Electric Palace, where we will watch Magic Faraway Tree, before riding back to the Cricket Club.

Please bring a lock to secure your bike whilst we watch the film. Helmet Required!

Thursday 13th August

Cricket Club, 9.30am

**£4 Per Child, but
Adults are Free!**

Spaces Limited, please book by
emailing:
harwich.dovercourtepp@theaws.org



Flatford Nature Day

Tuesday 11th August 2026

Tuesday 25th August 2026

Join in at Flatford for our summer Nature Days!

Lots of free, nature-themed activities and crafts including:

- Bug hunting
- Garden trails
- Tree detectives
- Fun quizzes and nature crafts
- Boat trips on the River Stour



➔ **Drop in activities 11am – 4pm**

**Enjoy the outdoors around
Flatford on either of our
Nature Days.**

**There will be something for
all the family!**



River Stour Trust boat trips are free for children under 14 when accompanied by £8.00 fare paying adult.

There is a charge of £6.00 for use of the National Trust car park for non-members.

Call Field Studies Council Flatford Mill on 01206 297110 for more details.





♥ Harwich Hive ♥

Community School Uniform Bank

OPENING!

We're excited to announce the opening of our
COMMUNITY SCHOOL UNIFORM BANK!

Providing pre-loved school uniforms to support local families
— completely free of charge. ♥



**TUESDAY
4TH AUGUST 2026**

10:30AM – 12:30PM

GENTLY USED SCHOOL UNIFORMS

♥
All items are
available for **FREE**.
Nothing to be sold on

EVERYONE WELCOME

♥
We're here to help
our community
together

DONATIONS WELCOME

♥
Clean, good condition
uniforms always
appreciated



**LET'S SUPPORT EACH OTHER
AND OUR COMMUNITY!**



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**WEDNESDAY 12TH AUGUST
2026**



10:00AM – 3:00PM



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HIGH SCHOOL**



SCHOOL YEARS 3 – 7



£30 PER CHILD

WHAT'S ON?



**NETBALL
SKILLS & DRILLS**



MATCH PLAY



**GAMES & TEAM
ACTIVITIES!**

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BOOK NOW!**



DON'T MISS OUT – GET BOOKED IN TODAY!

PLACES ARE NOT SECURED UNTIL PAYMENT IS RECEIVED.

harwichnetballclub@gmail.com

Back to School Event

**Come along and see what help there is for you
and your family ready for September**

- School Uniform Bank
- Children's Winter Warmers
- School Readiness help
- Essex Library Services
- Free Smoke Alarms
- Energy Advice & Fuel Poverty support
- Term-time activities / training for parents/carers



Tuesday 4th August
10.30am - 12.30pm
CVST Harwich & Dovercourt
Hub & Harwich Hive
(274 & 276 Harwich High St)





Saturday 18th July – Saturday 29th August

Mr Frog's Birthday Bumps

Mr Frog's friends want to give him the birthday bumps, but Mr Frog can't remember his age!

Find his friends and they'll tell you!

Prebook a ticket:
www.bethchatto.co.uk/entrance

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SCHOOL SUMMER HOLIDAYS



In Tendring

**For lots of free activities happening in tendring
for families over the summer holiday, please visit**

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