



St Joseph's

Superbloom

Celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and taking care of our Bees!





WE'RE GOING TO BE PART OF A BLOOMING MARVELLOUS UK-WIDE SPECTACULAR!

Get ready to dig, sow and grow as we're inspired by the transformation of the Tower of London's iconic moat into a spectacular field of flowers in celebration of the Platinum Jubilee.

Take a look at this short clip [Superbloom at the Tower of London 2022](#)



THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

A jubilee is a special celebration of an event, a platinum jubilee celebrates 70 years of an event.

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee is this year, 2022 and celebrates 70 years of her record breaking reign and service to the country.

This will be the first time in History that a British monarch has celebrated a Platinum Jubilee.





GET DIGGING AND SPREAD JOY TO OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY BY CREATING OUR OWN FLOWER DISPLAY

In Spring 2022, over **20 million seeds** will be sown in the Tower moat, filling it with flowers throughout the spring and summer, creating a spectacular 'Superbloom'. **Using a specially created seed mix, our school is going to create its own display in harmony with the Tower,** creating a new biodiverse habitat to attract wildlife and a space to celebrate the value of nature for our wellbeing. It's a great way to get outdoors and work together to create something special for us all to enjoy.



OUR PLAN OF ACTION

Each class will scatter their seeds in the carefully prepared area in the Junior Playground. You will be provided with a mixture of seeds and sand to be scattered over the soil.

Our class Eco Ambassadors and Gardening Club will have the important responsibility of looking after our wild patch.

The wild and soon to be spectacular patch will mark our Platinum Jubilee celebrations and provide an area for us all to enjoy and more...





HELPING TO LOOK AFTER OUR BEES

These flowers will not only honour our celebration of the Queen's Jubilee but also provide much needed flowering plants which will provide our school bees with Nectar and Pollen, which will help feed their entire colony.

You will find the Beehives in our newly developed Junior Forest School Area, that will be officially opened Thursday 28th April by the Archbishop John. It won't be long till we'll get to sample some of our very own St. Joseph's Honey!



ST. JOSEPH'S ROYAL READING CHALLENGE

As part of our Jubilee celebrations we will be taking part in the Royal Reading Challenge launching on the 26th April.

Look out for details on how you can take part and be in with the chance to visit the **Tower of London's Superbloom!**

Winning entries will also be entered into the national competition with the chance to win prizes for our school, design a gift for the queen with one lucky design making its way to Buckingham Palace.



A letter of inspiration from the Author of Omar and the Bees, to the kick start our Jubilee Celebrations

To all the children at St Joseph's

I am so pleased that you've all been involved in the Superbloom project this year. I expect that you've planted your wildflower seeds by now and perhaps the first flowers have already started to open? And it's fantastic that you now have a beehive in your school, too.

When I wrote *Omar, the Bees and Me* I was thinking about how important it is for children just like you to understand how you can make a difference by doing something as simple as planting a seed. With the right environment and with the care of gardeners like you, seeds will flourish into colourful flowers. It's the same with friendships - they need to be nurtured. In my story Maisie and Omar discover a beautiful friendship through a shared love of nature.

So look after your bees, your flowers and each other. And keep your minds buzzing with curiosity. That way you will all blossom right through the term ahead, the summer holidays and beyond!

With best wishes

Helen Mortimer

