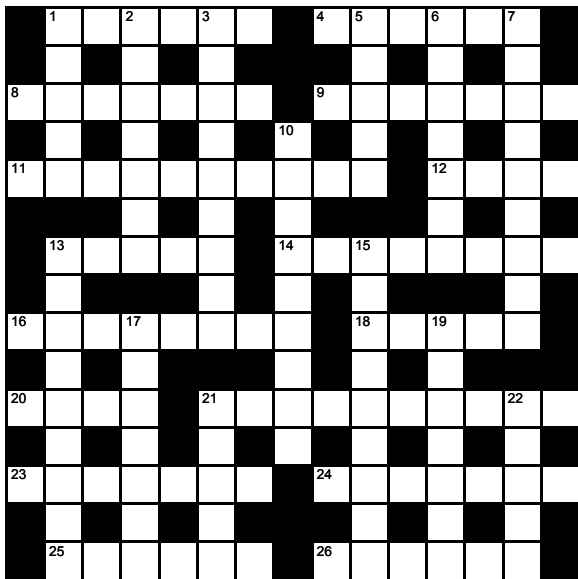


# CROSSWORD

No. 13,806 Set by LOROSO



JOTTER PAD

Definitions in all across clues have something in common

## ACROSS

- 1 What's behind single road block? (6)
  - 4 What's bad about marines being cold? (6)
  - 8 Reduce points – risk losing lead (7)
  - 9 An unknown number of us sort of starve (7)
  - 11 Old glue will keep it quiet (10)
  - 12 Be besotted with the one fronting Heaven 17 (4)
  - 13 Starting to find river's hidden current (5)
  - 14 Harmless sport featured in horrible books (8)
  - 16 Families around with new children (5-3)
  - 18 Retiring? What's wrong about retiring? (5)
  - 20 Dark area surrounded by wood (4)
  - 21 Tabloid design has to be red (10)
  - 23 Exotic bird coated in spice, which is most normal (7)
  - 24 Footballers need one to attract success (7)
  - 25 You might say an FT setter will make things clear (6)
  - 26 Bank of Scotland over in Gotham, miles away (6)
- ## DOWN
- 1 Princess wants location of treasure – is that appropriate? (5)

- 2 It's not a silly place (7)
- 3 One kiss blown by idiot Blair – excuse my French (5,4)
- 5 In the air force there's much to take in (5)
- 6 Shepherd sees sheep climbing mostly fragile rock (7)
- 7 Doubt the man's bitter having secured bronze (9)
- 10 A visa arranged upon entry? (9)
- 13 Concern about what hoax is not – a reason to call 999 (4,5)
- 15 Reject help when turning into celebrity (9)
- 17 Afraid of Romeo that is breaking promise (7)
- 19 Companion's feeding of star pupil (7)
- 21 Security guards start to smoke herb (5)
- 22 Immature like a nobleman? (5)

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