

St James the Great Catholic School Newsletter

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Looking smart and eager to get started for a new school year.

Welcome back to a new school year

It has been wonderful to see the children return to school this week and hear the stories from their holidays, whether they have travelled far or stayed in London.

There have been lots of distant adventures and enjoyable day trips closer to home.

We know that there has been a terrific response to the library's summer reading challenge 'Big Friendly Giant'. We will look forward to a member of the Southwark Libraries team visiting school later this term with the associated certificates for the many children who took part.

Education Sunday - this Sunday

Please keep our Catholic schools in your prayers this Sunday. They are a very special gift to our communities and this weekend we show our thanksgiving for them. A small number of our present and past pupils have been asked to come along, in their school uniform, to the 10 o'clock Mass at St James the Great. It is a simple reminder of what we have to be thankful for in Peckham. Please try and join them at this Mass.

Someone worth celebrating - Roald Dahl

The famous children's author whose books include, *The BFG*, *Charlie and the chocolate factory* and *Matilda* was born in 1916, a hundred years ago! Many of these great stories have also been turned into film too.

To get the new term off to a flying start, all the classes have done some work on the author and most will be visiting the cinema next Wednesday for a special screening of *The BFG*. We will be joined by some of the children from our sister school, St John's, who will travel to Peckham to join us for the event.

Year 6 Secondary school info

Parents of Y6, please note, there is an important separate letter going home tonight containing information about open evenings etc.. Some of these start as early as next week!

Uniform and appearance

Congratulations to our parents who have made sure that the vast majority of our pupils returned to school in their full school uniform and appropriate hairstyle.

Remember to keep those ties on and the top buttons on shirts done up in Years 3 to 6! It's been a challenge with the lovely weather we have had earlier this week.

Please remember that if you were one of the few whose child was not in full uniform that this is rectified by Monday.

Pupils of Achievement

The achievement this week is class based. Of course a very popular theme is how well the children noted below have returned to school this week, willing and eager to get off to a flying start!

Year 1: Rosie, Sean & Roxanne

Year 2: Zan Bi, Eaden & William

Year 3: Mary, Chinaza & Janelle

Year 4: Diego, Ana & Artemeus

Year 5: Junior O, Troy & Frank

Year 6: Chelsea, Jeremy & Michael A

Well Done Everyone!