

8St James the Great Catholic School Newsletter

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Who is the angel?

Gaudete

This Sunday the third, rose coloured, candle will be lit on Advent wreaths. It is 'Gaudete Sunday' or Rejoice Sunday! This is a reminder that amidst all the hectic preparations for Christmas we must take time to remember that what we are preparing for is a momentous and joyous event. The birth of Jesus.



Mary and Joseph, by Year 1

Winter Splash

Last night St James the Great pupils, along with our Federation sister school, St John's, and six other Southwark primary schools entertained the capital by singing seasonal songs at the Clore Ballroom of the Royal Festival Hall.

What a treat it was, and the event was made extra special by the excellent turn out of families who came along to enjoy the occasion.

Important events next week

- **Christmas Tableau at the church (Years 3,4,5 & 6)**
Thursday 15th December 7pm
- **Nativity Play (Nur, Rec, Years 1&2):**
Wed 14th December, doors close at 1:50.
- **End of Term: Friday 16th Dec.**
(1:30pm)

+Class parties: Thursday 15th December (pm)

Nativity Play Filming

A reminder to all Parents and Carers of children in classes from Nursery to Year 2.

There will be no photography allowed at the Nativity play, either video or still shots.

There will be an official DVD and photograph set available to those families that have ordered them.

✚ Parish website: www.stjamespeckham.org

'Wednesday Word' Quiz

This was the last week of our Friday morning quizzes. Again, many children came and wrestled with the questions which were based on this Sunday's Gospel.

Joshua was this week's winner and he was presented with his 'winners letter' to give to Fr Jack at 10 o'clock Mass this Sunday.

Supporting our Parish Christmas Fair and local community in the Friends of Kelly Ave Park meeting

Thank you to everyone who turned out to either or both of these events last Saturday your presence was much appreciated.

Pupils of Achievement

The achievement theme this week is 'Presentation & Handwriting' which is our frequently occurring theme and really is something to celebrate. The children are as follows.:

Year 6, Damola & Bernadine; Year 5, Iyayi & Harry; Year 4, Ogo & Esther; Year 3, Rachel & Matteo; Year 2, Brittany & Tope; and Year 1 Roxanne & Emily.

The behaviour theme was 'Lining up brilliantly - especially at the end of it' : Chamaka, Hannah, Victoria, Moyo, Jesse, Edward.

Well Done Everyone!