

# St James the Great Catholic School Newsletter

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Education Sunday; some of our pupils, past and present, after Mass last Sunday.

## A Faithful Start!

Well done to everyone who made the 10 o'clock Mass last Sunday, especially the children who came in uniform. A special thanks to our past pupils (please pass it on), who got the message and came in their new uniforms, there was a lot of really positive comments from the congregation.

Yesterday afternoon, the school was blessed again as, we had our first school Mass the school year. Thank you to Fr Jack who was ably helped by the children of Year 2.

## Response to parents' questionnaire

As a response to our questionnaire, taken before the summer holiday, we will be introducing some new ideas for homework, starting very soon. Please look out for more information next week.

## Year 6 -Catholic Secondary Schools

Open days and evenings are beginning next week and through September for our very successful Secondary schools. Please make sure you visit, if you are a parent in Year 6 (and even Year 5).

Also please be reminded that applications for Secondary schools have to be done on line. If you are applying for a Catholic school you must also complete their Supplementary Form which is usually available from the school itself.

## Altar serving

If you would like your child to join the altar servers at St James the Great church, please 'sign up' to join this Sunday at any of the Masses; that's Saturday vigil Mass 6:00pm and Sunday Masses at 8:30, 10 and 12noon.

## Cross the road at the crossings.

Last year there was a fatal accident a few hundred metres from our school. When we returned last week there was a faded bunch of flowers at the bus stop, sadly no one seems to know the story behind them. Please make sure that you cross Peckham road at the crossings when you are with your children. Teach them the right way to do it. It's what you expect of us once they are in school.

## School Uniform

Please make sure your child's name is marked in all their clothing so that lost items can be returned to their rightful owner as soon as possible.

## Summer Reading Challenge

Will run until the 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Make sure all books, read over the summer, are registered by then you have entered the prize draw for a 'tablet'!

## Thank you Peckham Plex!

A great trip for us and the children of St John's - our special screening of 'The BFG'.

## Clothes sale

A little prior notice....we've been donated some clothes from a recent tv film which will be 'on sale' at very reasonable prices very soon. Watch this space!

## Pupils of Achievement

The Achievement theme this week is 'Presentation' and the Behaviour focus is being 'Friendly'.

For Presentation : Year 6 Shazina & Mercy; Year 5 Ana & Divine; Year 4, Esther & Emmanuel; Year 3, Faith & Gbotemi; Year 2, Angel & Amira; and Year 1 Gift & Nelda. And for 'Friendliness': Juan Pablo, Kieron O, Daniel, Giovanni, Chialuzue & Mason.

**Well Done Everyone!**