

St James the Great Catholic School Newsletter

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Dia de Todos los Santo y Todos los Muertes

Welcome back

It's time to Remember!

November began with the school attending Mass at the church to celebrate All Saints Day, a Holyday of Obligation, when as Catholics, we are obliged to go to Mass.

The children read and sang beautifully and we were told by a number of parishioners that their behaviour was excellent..... and so it should be!

This month we remember people who have 'gone before us': the Saints; the Souls; our loved ones, those who have sacrificed their lives for the benefit of the country; those who have been completely forgotten too.

We have a 'Book of Remembrance' which contains names of people who have died who we want to remember including: our

family members; friend; names of service personnel from this area that our Year 6 children researched in their study of local history.

This is displayed in our school entrance and you are welcome to add to the names using the special note paper.

Children from our 'Liturgy Group' will be in the hall on Fridays before school to help you.

The book will be brought to church and then brought to the altar each Sunday during November.

Family Fast

We are supporting this Parish 'act of mercy'. On Family Fast days, like today, we ask you and the children to 'give up one thing' and the money that is saved, send it to school and it will be used by CAFOD to.....'feed the hungry'....

Poppy Appeal

Next week poppies and other items will be on sale, both before and after school.



The poppy appeal supports ex service men and women (army, navy and airforce) and their families, who have died or suffered injury as a result of their service to the country.

Manna Centre Appeal

✠Parish website: www.stjamespeckham.org

Thank you for a fabulous response to this years' Manna Centre Appeal, the last Friday before half term. Please see overleaf their acknowledgement. Well done Year 5 for their outstanding class effort too. They 'took the biscuits'!

A few other things to remember from the end of last half Term-

Well done to our Year 3 Footballers who came second overall in a Southwark competition on the last day before the holidays.

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended our Parents evening, another excellent turnout.

Yr 6 Parents....Secondary School On line Application -Well done everyone, you did it!

Pupils of Achievement

The achievement theme this week is 'Class based' when each class decides on its own theme of success to highlight. The children are as follows.:

Year 6 Michael A & Samanta; Year 5 Eimy & Iyayi; Year 4, Kiera & Marcus; Year 3, Janelle & Rachel; Year 2, Precious & Ebuka; and Year 1 Jo & Rosie.

And for great behaviour: Nathan, Christana, Ashley, Chi-Chi, Tope & Sean.

Well Done Everyone!