

# St James the Great Catholic School Newsletter

[www.stjamesthegreat.southwark.sch.uk](http://www.stjamesthegreat.southwark.sch.uk) "Doing our best for God, for others and for ourselves" Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017



Being part of the big musical picture

## Royal Festival Hall Orchestra

Our Year 6 children took part in a Southwark schools orchestral event at the Royal Festival Hall on Monday. An excellent event involving approximately four hundred primary and secondary school pupils. The children were great!

### OUR NEW BLAZER!

The blazer will be introduced from Easter onwards at a cost of approximately £30. It will be for children in Years 3,4, and 5 initially. More information soon.

### Kelly Avenue Park - Non uniform day - today

Thank you for supporting the 'Friends of the park'. We've collected £182 so far...

### Kelly Avenue Park Volunteers needed - tomorrow (11:30)

A group of volunteers meet every first Saturday morning of each month to plant, paint and weed. All are welcome to join these working parties, and contribute

to bringing about immediate positive changes in the park. Please turn over for the poster.

### Kelly Avenue, Park Change ahead - the future

We are very excited to announce that local artist, Joanna Brinton, has been selected to lead workshops in designing the entrance archway that our children and teachers worked to secure for Kelly Avenue Park. After a huge campaign from the children and school communities, Southwark Council generously awarded funding for this project. Four community workshops will take place after half-term at the two schools, as well as in the park itself. This is an exciting step on the journey of Kelly Avenue Park and is vital in demonstrating to the children that their voices can and will be heard when we all work together for positive change.

### Swimming and Half Term

All children should have received a leaflet illustrating the great range of waterbased activities available at our local pools. There is also a series of 'crash courses', for all ages including adults, arranged for the half term holiday week. Please take the opportunity and book a place; either call in at the pool or via the website.

[www.everyoneactive.com](http://www.everyoneactive.com)

### Financial Education Information

Last week we told you about the 'Five Big Questions about Money' that we are investigating in school.

This week we want to identify the 'Values' behind our approach to learning about money. Here they are:

*Generosity, Thankfulness, Wisdom, Justice*  
We will explore these over the coming weeks, in terms of what each principle might mean in general and what it means to us as Christians.

For example 'Generosity'

Being generous makes us better people as well as benefitting others; Christians also believe we honour God when we do this.

### School Saving Club - Volunteers?

Please speak to Mrs Oduko.

### Pupils of Achievement

The Achievement Theme this week is 'Science - accuracy in recording information'.

The children chosen are:

Year 6, Mary & Joshua; Year 5 Harry & Troy; Year 4, Gabriel & Divine; Year 3, Noemi & Marvella; Year 2, Angel & Brittany; and Year 1 Sebastian & Chidinma.

The Behaviour theme is 'Showing self control and restraint':

Shazina, Stephanie, Favour, Moyo, William, Esther

**Well Done Everyone!**

