

# St James the Great Catholic School Newsletter

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Checking the bikes for 'Bikeability'

## 'On yer Bike!'

Bikeability began this week for children in Years 3 & 4.

We had twenty-one children take the Level One training course which lasted for two days, on Tuesday and Wednesday.

This was a great uptake and success rate too. With the aid of our instructors we were able to 'hire' bicycles for those children who could ride, but didn't own their own bike (or they were simply too big for their old bike).

The children practised the skills of riding and being able to look around behind; ride with one hand; and how to give clear hand signals.

If they could do these skills, plus a few others they passed their 'Test'!

Cycling is a great thing to do, when done safely.

That's what 'Bikeability' encourages.

Parental Services available at school: Parents' Drop In Service. Every Tuesday and Thursday with Nancy DuBois. Appointments pm Tuesday, am Thursday. If you wish to book an appointment call the school office, 0207 703 5870, or directly on 07939 465600. Parish website: [www.stjamespeckham.org](http://www.stjamespeckham.org)

## Cycling Courses Available

If you or your child cannot ride a bike and would like to, did you know that there is free training available in Southwark!

If you are interested please contact:

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

or telephone 020 303 16730

There is also a holiday training course in Burgess Park, there are spaces still available but they will be gone soon!

## School Website is live

Please check out our new website.

Along with all the usual statutory pieces of information.....

It has lots of photographs; the calendar of events for the school; a digital copy of the newsletters and lots more. It is always a point of information for you.

It also adapts itself to whatever screen you are using whether it's the phone, tablet or a PC.

Don't forget our address is:

[www.stjamesthegreat.southwark.sch.uk](http://www.stjamesthegreat.southwark.sch.uk)

## Kelly Avenue Park needs 'Friends'

If you live near to this park or just use it from time to time we are looking for some parents to get involved with its future development.

Letters have gone out to families we know of who do use it but if you would like to get involved please let Mrs McNamara know as

there will be some fun events coming up soon.

## Parents literacy workshops continue

These are continuing, due to popular demand, on Thursdays for the next four weeks. There is a crèche available and are held in the Computer Suite.

## Spanish Artists

Do you know any? Try to find out a little about Pablo Picasso, Goya, El Greco & Salvador Dali, to name just a few.

## Pupils of Achievement

This week the Achievement Awards are for great work in Art. Some classes are also linking their artwork to some famous Spanish artists, as Spanish is the language that the children get an opportunity to learn in KS2.

The children are as follows:

Y1 Viola & Zan Bi; Y2 Charlotte & Emmanuel; Y3 Chiamaka & Gabriel; Y4 Festus & Ezekiel; Y5 Juan Pablo & Nwamaka; Y6 Chidera & Dorian.

The Behaviour Award was given for 'Encouraging others' this week it was awarded to:

Amira, Angeline, Sally-Ann, Deborah, Daniel, Georgina.

*Well Done Everyone*