

St James the Great Catholic School Newsletter

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Our procession, about to leave for church, with a crown for Mary.

Mary, Queen of Heaven.

As Catholics, we like to hold a very special place in our hearts for Mary, Jesus' mother and indeed our own spiritual mother too. Yesterday all the children, from Year 2 upwards, processed to the church led by our very own Brass Band and a crown of roses destined for Mary's statue in the church. After the crown was placed carefully, Fr Jack celebrated Mass for us all.

Friday Rosary during May

Another fabulous turn out this week. If you haven't made it in so far this month do try and come next Friday; remember 8:45 for a decade of the Rosary. What a lovely way to start the day together!

May Ball - Great time had by all.

Well done parents of Y1 & 2 for bringing the children looking so smart.

Important meetings for parents of all Year 5 and some Nursery children... Monday 20th June.

Year 5 - Transition to Secondary School: important information about and speakers from, our main secondary schools. 5:00pm at school.

New Reception Class September 2016 (This will include current Nursery parents) 7:00pm at St James the Great church, Elm Grove, Peckham.

'National Smile Month' - Next Friday

If your child is in the following classes: Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 please let your child bring their old toothbrush in next Friday, 27th May, to exchange it for a new one....for free!

Thank you to Lister House ICED Dental practice. For more information about looking after you teeth visit

www.smilemonth.org

Sainsbury's Vouchers

If you shop at this supermarket, please bring the vouchers to school.

Year of Mercy Gate?

St Peter's Basilica in Rome, Southwark Cathedral and other holy places have opened up a special entrance door to mark the Year of Mercy. So have we! Well, for the timebeing, as our main entrance awaits repair. This should be ready for next week. Thank you for your patience in this matter.

✠Parish website: www.stjamespeckham.org

Parish links and events

Children will have received their 1st Holy Communion in the parish this weekend, please keep them in your prayers, as well as all the children who have 'received' in other parishes this summer.

Staff Training Day - school closed
Friday 24th June.



Farewell,

good luck and thank you, to Nancy Dubois at last night's May Ball

Pupils of Achievement

This week the Achievement Awards are for 'Caring for each other'. This is particularly relevant for the children during this period of national testing.

The children are as follows:

Y1 Leona & Onyeka; Y2 Marvelle & Divine; Y3 Neveah & Eric; Y4 Esther & Troy; Y5 Layla & Juan Pablo; Y6 Favour & Joseph.

The Behaviour Award was given for 'Great behaviour, outside school, this half term'. There have been lots of class trips and plenty of compliments from members of the general public: Eaden, Victoria, Gabriella, Christana, Rosemary and Chidi.

Well Done Everyone