

St James the Great Catholic School Newsletter

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On the way to Bethlehem, by Year 6.

Preparing with Southwark

'Diocesan School's Advent Service

This week, Year 5 represented St James the Great at the first ever Diocesan Advent service. The Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark stretches from the River Thames in the north all the way down to the Kent coast and around 900 school children, from across the region, came along to St Georges Cathedral to sing carols and listen to Advent readings. It was a very special occasion and one we hope will be the first of many in the years ahead. At the service there was an opportunity to support the 'Catholic Children's Society, Crisis fund' who we will support throughout our xmas events.



This Sunday is the
Second Sunday of Advent

Dates ahead - some new ones!

Tuesday 19 th December	Nativity Play, at school 2pm Nursery, Reception Year 1 & 2
Wednesday 20 th December	Christmas Tableau at Church 7pm Year 3,4,5 & 6
Friday 22 nd December	End of term Pupils finish at 1:30
Tuesday 12 th December	Christmas Dinner
12 th December	Choir singing in Peckham Square 3:45 - 4:15
Tuesday 12 th December	Parish Reconciliation 7pm
Tuesday 19 th December	Dance celebration in school am
Tuesday 19 th December	Choir singing at Kings College Hospital - children return by 4:30
Wednesday 13 th December	School Cinema trip - Paddington2
Thursday 21 st December	Class Parties

Speech, Language & Communication Drop-in session.

Thank you to our Speech & Language Therapist, Tessa Forrest and the group of parents who attended the session this week. We hope it will prove a useful resource for you.

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Parish News -

Reconciliation Service

7pm at the Church

On Tuesday evening there will be an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the church. A special service and an opportunity to prepare in a spiritual way for Christmas. Please try to go and bring the children (who have received this sacrament already) along too.

Pupils of Achievement

The academic theme this week is 'Presentation and Handwriting'. This is a regular feature of our achievement assemblies to reward the worthwhile effort that accompanies it.

The children were as follows:

Year 1: Dominion & Caleb

Year 2: Aithana & Julia

Year 3: Leona & Will

Year 4: Divine & Emmanuella

Year 5: Chiamaka & Franklyn

Year 6: Laura & Hannah

Our Personal Attribute theme this week is 'How to be a 'Good Friend' - reflecting the Gospel theme of 'Who is my neighbour'.

The following children reflected this attribute well:

Ore, Gift, Angel, Janelle, Kumba & Frank.

Well Done Everyone