

St James the Great Catholic School Newsletter

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Mary, Mother of God and our heavenly mother too.

May begins

As we begin the month of May, we look forward to warmer days and seeing those 'bright May flowers' to cheer up the days. As Catholics we celebrate Mary: in school we will pray the rosary on Friday mornings and we will hold a procession to the church, crowning Mary's statue with flowers in her honour, as Queen of Heaven. In doing so we are guided once again to Jesus, her son. God made man. A very old history lesson



In the 3rd century an African writer called Tertullian described Mary and the Church as being the 'new Eve' (as in Adam and Eve). What did he mean?

Well the name Eve literally means 'the mother of all the living'. Tertullian had a thought that has lasted the test of time!

Friday Rosary for May

Will begin again next Friday. Please come and join us just before school at 8:45.

Uniform and shop times

Please be reminded that there is a good level of stock available for school jumpers. Ties etc and the shop is open on the first Wednesday of the month.

Year 2 parents please note that your child will need a blazer next year, Year 3.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 6th May - Bank Holiday, school closed

Monday 13th May - SATs week, national tests for Year 6

Thursday 23rd May - May Procession and Mass in church (10am)

Mon 20th May - Bikeability training week Y5 & 6

Bikeability sessions

This week we welcomed our cycle instructors to run the first of two courses this summer which together provide our children with a set of safe cycling skills

which they can eventually use when cycling on the road.

This first course, Level 1, was for children in Years 3 & 4. We had twenty three children taking part and they all received either a certificate or if they were able to demonstrate the skills taught competently, a special badge also.

Pupils of Achievement

The Academic Achievement this week is Maths; using number skills especially in real life situations. The Personal Attribute is 'Being Perceptive', seeing different layers of meaning.

The children were as follows:

Year 1: Victoria & Alexander

Year 2: Ciara & Olajuwon

Year 3: Ngozi & Jo

Year 4: Amira & William

Year 5: Troy & Joshua

Year 6: MacAnthony & Divine

The Personal Attribute was 'Good communication', listening and speaking skills especially in a groupwork context: Oyin, Anjola, Lilly, Angel, Sheila & Sally-Ann.

Our Handwriters of the week were:

Julia, Pdraig, Gift, Rodrigo, Ayomide & Victoria

Well Done Everyone