

St James the Great Catholic School Newsletter

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Welcome back, a new school year begins!

We are looking forward, immensely, to working with both your children and you. We hope that, with God's help, it will be another exciting and fruitful year ahead. In the days and weeks ahead we will see our enriched curriculum begin. We will be welcoming back our music tutors, dance and PE instructors. Our mandarin teachers and classes will recommence next week too. Our spiritual life will be marked by our 'Start of Year Mass' and later on this term we will begin our series of class masses in the parish church. Along with the many class trips being organised, something new to look forward to later this term, will be our first school journey to a new centre, for us, Stubber's in Essex.



Mass to celebrate the start of a new school Year: Next Wednesday 10:00 at our Church in Elm Grove. All Welcome.

Savings Club Restarts

The School's Savings Club will recommence once again before school on Wednesday, then weekly after that. We hope that more children will join up and learn about the value of money and saving it as part of our Financial Education programme.

School Choir

The choir will recommence next Wednesday 3:30-4:30 after school. The choir's main focus is to sing at our parish 10 o'clock Mass on the first Sunday of each month. Membership is for children in Years 2-6.

Uniform and appearance

Congratulations to our parents who have made sure that the vast majority of our pupils returned to school in their appropriate school uniform and hairstyle. Please ensure that if your child was not in full uniform, including PE kit, that this is rectified by Monday.

Uniform can be bought or ordered at the end of the school day, on Wednesdays in the Annex - the building in the playground.

Summer building work

We are pleased to let you know that we had some important repair work completed on our roof this summer. As well as this we had carpets replaced in the Year 3 & 5 classrooms, new blinds in Years 5 & 6 and a new sink installed on the middle floor. Thank you to all the contractors and our own premises staff, Nuno and Patrick, for getting the building and grounds ready for our new term and year.

Pupils of Achievement

The achievement this week is class based. The children noted below have returned to school, willing and eager to get off to a flying start!

Year 1: Josue, Fredah & Jayden

Year 2: Nebi, Julia & Aaron

Year 3: Nifemi, Jane & Dominion

Year 4: Kimsa, Jason & Nelly

Year 5: Angel, Haniel & Chialuzue

Year 6: Chinaza, Emmanuel & Moyo

For great handwriting this week the children chosen were the children were: Anne, Faith N, Janet, Rosie, Emmanuelle and Favour.

Well Done Everyone