

# St James the Great Catholic School Newsletter

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## Advent Week Two



Advent - 'coming'- Year 5 The Annunciation  
And below by Fra Angelico

Advent continues and all the preparations are well underway. It is a joy to hear the younger children singing their Christmas songs in preparation for the Nativity Play and to see the work that the older



children are doing to prepare for Benediction. The School Council have met and our Christmas

fundraising is getting underway. We look forward to what we can do, to celebrate Christmas whilst keeping our school safe and fully open.

## Advent Action - CAFOD

With our parish, we will be helping to raise money to help our brothers and sisters around the world, with practical gifts. Each class will be raising money and with the money, we will hope to buy from the list which includes for example: a goat £28; water for a family £33; a queen bee £4; Chickens £20; and more.....

Please send in donations, each donation will get a small Christmas gift tag which we will put on our school Christmas tree. Then we will see how much we can collect by next Wednesday. Hopefully will have something good to hang on the Parish tree in church.

## Christmas Free Meal offer

Southwark council will be extending the voucher offer for children who are in receipt of 'free school meals' over the Christmas holiday.

## Southwark's 'Winter of Food and Fun'

If your child is between 4-16 and you are entitled to 'Free School Meals' then you are able to access the above programme between 20-31 December. Please check the school website or this link for further details:

[www.southwark.gov.uk/foodandfun](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/foodandfun)

## Nativity Play - Update

The play will be filmed once again and a link posted on our website.

## Benediction for Advent

Next Wednesday will be our final visit before Christmas. Wednesday 4pm in Church - please come with your child.

## Dates for your diary

**Benediction for Advent** (everyone invited)  
Wednesdays 4pm at the church each week  
Mon/Tues 13/14 December: Nativity Play  
Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Dec: Christmas Dinner  
Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Dec: Class Parties  
Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Dec: Christmas Fair am (children)  
**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Term Ends: 1:30pm**

## 'St James the Great Awards' 'Working Together'

Pupils of achievement are as follows:  
Jo & Michelle, Janet & Thomas,  
Samantha & Patrina, Anaiah & Levi and  
Anabelle & Millie

**'Collaborative Learner - Ready to share good ideas and solutions with others'**

Pupils of achievement are as follows:  
Nelda, Christina, Faith, Solihom & Kairo

## 'Pupil Leaders'

'Lunchtime Supporters'  
Esther, Ngozi, Sean & Princess

*Well Done Everyone!*

**St James the Great, Pray for us.**