

# St James the Great Catholic School Newsletter

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## Return with promise



The Ascension of our Lord into Heaven.

The school went to Mass yesterday, celebrating the Ascension of the Lord. As Fr Jack explained: he returned to heaven so that he could be with us all. These next ten days are a time to practise prayer and waiting; waiting for the Lord at Pentecost.

## Jubilee

The Queen: We hope everyone enjoys the celebrations next week for the Queen's Diamond jubilee, 60 years as head of state.

Fr Jack: is soon to celebrate his Golden jubilee, 50 Years since he was ordained a priest. The parish will celebrate on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June with Mass at 11am and further festivities afterwards.

Please see on the back of this bulletin a letter from the Archbishop about returning to Mass on Sunday

## Year 1 visit the Royal Observatory, Greenwich

Year 1 managed to avoid the thunder of Tuesday to enjoy a trip to see a show about the planets as well as the Prime Meridian. Part of their History and Science curriculum.



Now, who is East and who is west?

## Meal Vouchers-holiday update

These will be emailed, to those entitled to this support, on Monday and will cover the five days of this holiday. Thanks go to Southwark Council, once again, who have agreed to fund this.

Please Remember the  
School Gate closes at 8:55 am

SCHOOL UNIFORM next sales day:  
THURSDAY 9<sup>th</sup> JUNE

*May is the month of Our Lady,  
Please say a decade of the Rosary in your  
homes each week.*



*Our Lady, Queen of Peace .  
Pray for the Ukraine & Russia. Pray for us.*

## St James the Great GOLD STAR AWARD

Year 1 Sapphire

Year 2 Timi

Year 3 Chantal

Year 4 Darasimi

Year 5 Anjolaoluwa

Year 6 Michael

*Well Done Everyone!*

*Please keep safe during the holidays.  
St James the Great, Pray for us.*

School Reopens on  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June

Dear Friend

So much has happened over the past two years since the pandemic began. Our lives have changed in many ways, but I want to share with you my certain faith that the love of the Lord Jesus for you and your family remains the same. A living relationship with him is essential for each of us to flourish as disciples.

For various reasons, you may not be coming to church at the moment. New routines have been found, and alternative arrangements made, during the pandemic, to suit the needs of your family. I write to say that we miss you; that I miss you. The church community is much poorer without you and your children.

On 5 June, the Church celebrates the great feast of Pentecost and the gift of the Holy Spirit. It is a feast of joy and renewal, sometimes called the church's birthday. I invite you to return to church, to rekindle your relationship with those who gather, Sunday by Sunday, so that, together, we can worship through the celebration of Eucharist. We are most beautifully the Church when we live out our lives gathered together around the altar. I want you to know you are missed, you are loved, and you are appreciated; and we would love to see you back again. Please come and join us again.

With my prayers and blessing

Yours sincerely in Christ



The Most Reverend John Wilson  
Archbishop of Southwark

