

St James the Great Catholic School Newsletter

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Ash Wednesday Mass

On Wednesday Children in Years 3-6 attended Mass at our Parish Church. Our Year 5 children provided some readings and wrote the bidding prayers. It was quite touching to hear these thoughtful and quite grown up prayers read aloud so confidently and beautifully. The bidding prayers that the children read out are on the back of this week's newsletter along with a picture of the children who did such a great job.

Potential Strike Next Thursday!

Teachers who are members of the National Education Union (NEU) may be taking industrial action on Thursday 2nd March. We will inform you as to which classes will be open for children on that day as soon as we have more information.



Year 5 Venture into Space!

Our Year 5 children yesterday visited Mars and Saturn! Virtually anyway, they went on an educational visit to the Greenwich Observatory and the Planetarium. *"It was so amazing, I didn't want the planetarium show to end. We voted as a class which planets to visit and the majority chose Mars and Venus. I wanted to visit them all."*
Darasimi - Year 5

Y4 Stubbers Adventure Meeting

There will be a meeting for the parents of children in Year 4 that will be going on the residential visit to Stubbers Adventure Centre. This is due to take place at 9:05 on Tuesday 28th February.

Lenten Prayers

The Benediction service at St James the Great Church will run every Thursday until the end of term. Everyone is welcome.



Dangerous Drop Off!

There have been a few incidents recently of parents parking in the entrance to Sumner Road and blocking the pavement. This tiny road is not a suitable place to drop your children off. It forces children and families to walk around the cars and into the busy road. Please be considerate and find a safe and suitable place to stop.

'St James the Great Awards' 'Class Based Theme'

Please speak to your children about why they have been chosen.

Pupils of achievement are as follows:
Padraig & Alexis, Dennis & Faith N, Gideon & Elise, Dami & Lydia, Jason & Gloria and Annabelle & Amira.

'Play Supporters of the Week'

Ese, Halima and Daniel

Well done everyone!

St James the Great, Pray for us.



Bidding Prayers

1. We pray for our Pope, Bishops and all the priests in the world. We ask God to continue to keep them in good health so they can continue to teach us. Lord hear us, Evie
2. We pray for the world, especially those in Syria and Turkey. May you comfort them in their hours of need. We also remember those in Ukraine, we hope that you can bring peace to our world. Lord hear us, Samantha
3. We pray for everyone in our school and parish community, and we thank our teachers for helping us with our education and encouraging us to be the best we can be. Lord here us, Jerry
4. We pray for those who are recovering from their illness, especially those who are housebound. May you help them be strong in their hard time. We especially pray for Mr O'Regan and Mrs Feese and we hope that they come back to school soon. Lord hear us, Dennis