



St James the Great Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

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"Doing our best for God, for others and for ourselves"

Friday 25th April 2025



Upcoming Events

Monday 28th

April

Nursery - visit to Peckham Library

Tuesday 29th

April

Year 5 - Dance Festival Bacon's College

Wednesday 7th

May

St James the Great Parent Group

9am to 10am

Meet at school's gate

Catholic Social Teaching Principle

'The Common Good'

Loving God

You call us to look beyond our own interests to what is good for all people.

May we work towards a world where everyone has their fair share in order to live to the full.

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

Virtue

Confidence

I am able to do things without fear or doubt. I place my trust in God and know that God gives me strength.

"let us be confident, then, and say: 'The Lord is my helper, I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?'"
Hebrews 13:6

The disciples were gathered in a room. They had locked the doors because they were afraid of the people who had crucified Jesus. Jesus came and stood among them and said: "Peace be with you!" and he showed them the wounds in his hands and his side. Thomas, one of the disciples, was not there when Jesus came and he refused to believe what had happened. One week later, they were in the room again, and Thomas was also there. Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas: "Here, touch the marks on my hands and feel the wound in my side. Doubt no longer, but believe." Thomas replied: "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "You believe because you have seen me. Blessed are those who have not seen me and yet believe!"

A word from Pope Francis: *"We all have in our hearts same areas of unbelief. Let us say to the Lord: I believe!"*

Summer Term begins

Welcome back to the last term of the school year! This half term is especially busy with Year 6 preparing for, and participating in, their Statutory Assessments (SATs), and all classes getting ready for their end of year assessments; if your child is involved with the SATs could you please ensure that they are fully rested and refreshed at the start of each school day.



Pope Francis

1936 - 2025

Thank you

Eternal rest grant unto Francis o Lord

May perpetual light shine upon him and may he rest in peace

Amen



CAFOD
Catholic Agency for
Overseas Development



Together for Lent, we walked 1346 miles which is 142 miles over our aimed amount of 1204 miles!

We raised:

£915.70

A huge thank you and well done to everyone!



Remember:

MONDAY 5TH MAY - Bank Holiday - School is closed

Year 6 Residential trip - Isle of Wight

Gentle reminder to settle your payments at the office please!

School uniform & Appearance

Thank you to all parents & carers who made sure that our pupils returned to school with the appropriate school uniform and hairstyle.

Hairstyles

Gentle reminder that hairstyles must be on overall even cut for boys with no shaved patterns and girls hair should be of a reasonable style and accessories kept to a minimum and blue in colour.

Please make sure that any adjustments needed with both uniform and hairstyles are rectified by Monday.

PE & SWIMMING

PE and swimming lessons are part of the National curriculum and are both fundamental for your child's development! Please parents and carers, we ask that you make sure your child has everything he/she needs to participate in the lesson!



PE & SWIM KITS

Thursdays - PE kit
Year 1 to Year 6

Fridays Dance lessons - PE kit

Year 3 to Year 6

Fridays - SWIM kit

Year 3 & Year 4

PE kit

White plain t-shirt, black joggers, black plimsolls (Yr1 to Yr4) / black trainers (Yr5 & Yr6)

SWIM kit

One-piece swimsuit for girls, swim trunks for boys, swim cap and

TOWEL



South London

ST JAMES THE GREAT PARENT GROUP

Join parents from the school to discuss the issues faced by our community and how we can take action on them together!

Date: Wednesday, 07 May

Time: 9 - 10AM (after drop off)

Location: Meet at the school gates

Let Vitoria (07956 709820) know you are joining.

Also join: Know Your Rights Workshop

30 April, 9-10AM @ Surrey Square Primary School

Southwark Law Centre will be delivering sessions around evictions, tenancy agreements, rent increase and rights and responsibilities of renters



Virtue we live by
Confidence

I AM CONFIDENT
when

I think positively.

I am willing to try new things.

I believe in myself.

I know I am worthwhile whether I succeed or fail.

I trust that God will support me.

I keep going even when I find things difficult.

We believe in The Common Good

The Common Good means
that the fruits of the
earth belong to
everyone.

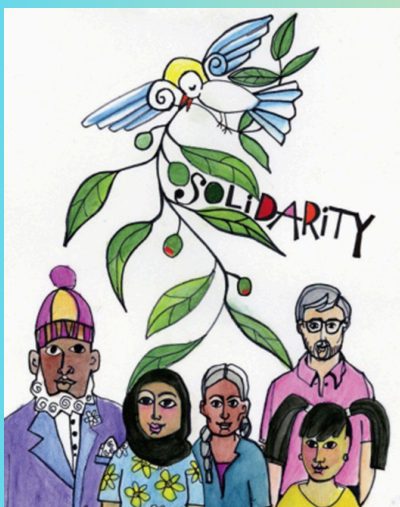
No one should be excluded
from the gifts of
creation.

'You are not making a
gift of your possessions
to the poor person.

You are handing over to
them what is theirs.'

Saint Ambrose (340-397
AD)

Focus of Year 2



St James the Great Award

'Class Based'

Year 1 - Noel D. & Lateefat

Year 2 - Genevieve & Isabella

Year 3 - Christodia & David T.

Year 4 - Johnny & Zion

Year 5 - Jasmine & Sultan

Year 6 -

Catholic Social Teaching Principal

'Common Good'

Year 1 - Elliott

Year 2 - Santiago

Year 3 - Jeremy

Year 4 - Destiny

Year 5 - Ethan

Year 6 - Daria

Pupil Leaders

'School Council'

Year 2 - Mason & Brina

Year 3 - Larelle & Eloghosa

Year 4 - Hannah & Aya

Year 5 - Joseph & Angel

Year 6 - Solihom & Kenna

'Catholic Life Committee'

Year 2 - Hesel & Reynard

Year 3 - Luke & Anna

Year 4 - Korede & Sapphire

Year 5 - Yoel & Husafiat

Year 6 - Noah & Tina

Well done Everyone!
St James the Great, Pray for us.