



# St James the Great Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter

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

Friday 23rd May 2025



Jesus said to His disciples, "Those who love me will listen to my words and keep them, and my Father will love them, and we shall come to them and make our home with them. Those who do not love me do not keep my words, and my word is not my own: it is the word of the Father who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all the things I have said to you.

Peace I leave to you, my own peace I give to you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. I am going away, and shall return. I am going to the Father.

"Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for sending the Holy Spirit so that we can know your perfect peace. Please help us to share that peace with others. Amen."

### Upcoming Events

From Monday  
26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 30<sup>th</sup>  
May

HALF TERM

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June  
ALL BACK TO  
SCHOOL

### Catholic Social Teaching Principle

#### 'Solidarity'

Loving God help us to see the suffering of others and build up a world of love and solidarity. As we go about our day and strive to walk with Jesus as people in solidarity, may we be reminded that we are the love of Christ, who is with us always. Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer

#### Virtue

#### 'Wisdom'

I take time to think about what I must do and ask God and others about it. I help others to make the right choices.

*"Be wise in the way you act; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace so that you may know how to answer everyone."*  
Colossians 4:5-6

May Procession to  
our Parish  
10AM Mass  
&  
Crowning of Mary





# Welcome to Year 2



**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July**

**Uniform Sale for pupils starting Year 2 in September 2025 ONLY**



**Blazers & ties**

**From 2pm to 3pm**



## Save The Date

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August**

**GENERAL Uniform Sale**

**from 10am to 12pm**



Thank you to the Y5 parents who attended the information meeting about the sailing course which starts shortly after Half Term for five weeks.



The parents also got the chance to see their children performing their festival dance that had been prepared for an inter school event a few weeks ago.

## Save the Date

**SAVE THE DATE for the 10th ANNUAL KELLY AVENUE PARK FUN DAY.**

**Saturday 12 July 2025, 12-4pm in Kelly Avenue Park (SE15 5GL)**

Join your local community for FREE food, music, games, activities, face painting and more.



Congratulations to our young people who were confirmed on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May. Please keep them and their sponsors in your prayers! Thank you Fr Jack & Fr Victor for a lovely liturgy.

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May**

**Our communion children will be making their First Communion at the 10am and 12 noon Masses on Sunday. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.**



**Virtue we live by - Wisdom**

**I AM WISE when**

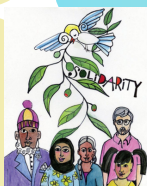
I take time to reflect on my actions.

I learn from my experiences.

I can decide, based on what I know, what is the best thing to do.

I make the most of my gifts and talents.

I can help others make the right choices.



## We believe in 'Solidarity' Focus of Year 3

Solidarity arises when we remember that we belong to each other.

We reflect on this in a special way at Mass.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "The Eucharist commits us to the poor.

To receive in truth the Body and Blood of Christ given up for us, we must recognise Christ in the poorest."

Solidarity spurs us to stand side by side with our sisters and brothers, especially those living in poverty

**RECEPTION CLASS**

A big thank you to all parents & carers who attended the 'Early writing' session on Tuesday morning!

## Parent Workshops







Nursery class had a fantastic time at the farm! We saw the animals we have been learning about, explored vegetables and herbs, and even fed some animals.

Thank you to all the parents for your support in making this trip possible!



*Reminder*

Gentle reminder to please settle your payments for the items below

Breakfast Club

Nursery fees

Residential trip Year 6

Family Fund

YEAR 3 - AFTERSCHOOL CLUB

MULTISPORTS CLUB ON THURSDAYS  
FROM 3.30PM TO 4.30PM  
FROM 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY TO 12<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

WE ASK PARENTS & CARERS TO BE ON TIME FOR PICK UP!

THANK YOU!



LOST & FOUND



This key has been found near the school's bike shed on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May  
If you recognise it, please come to the school's office to collect!

Dear Parents & Carers

Please kindly avoid sending your child to school with expensive items. While we do our best to keep belongings safe, the school cannot take responsibility for any loss or damage, and we are unable to enforce reimbursement from others.

Thank you for your understanding and support.



TODAY IS THE LAST DAY OF TERM

SCHOOL WILL RESUME ON MONDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE

YEAR 6

**FREE YEAR 6 LITTLE FISH THEATRE SUMMER PROGRAMME**  
FOR SOUTHWARK CHILDREN  
28<sup>TH</sup> JULY - 8<sup>TH</sup> AUG  
2025 (MON-FRI)  
AT RYE OAK PRIMARY SCHOOL

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO BOOK A PLACE FOR YOUR CHILD  
EMAIL: [INFO@LITTLEFISHTHEATRE.CO.UK](mailto:INFO@LITTLEFISHTHEATRE.CO.UK)

TO FILL IN A BOOKING FORM  
CLICK THE LINK BELOW OR  
SCAN THE QR CODE

<https://bit.ly/413nERW>

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ART DRAMA Music DANCE

## TIME TABLES ROCKSTARS

### THE BATTLE OF THE BANDS COMPETITION

From 12<sup>th</sup> May to 18<sup>th</sup> May

#### CLASSES

1st place: Year 4 with 5,839 correct answers  
2nd place: Year 2 with 3,726 correct answers  
3rd place: Year 3 with 3,050 correct answers



#### YEAR 2

1st place: Alayna  
2nd place: Adrian  
3rd place: Millie-Rose

#### YEAR 5

1st place: Julia  
2nd place: Feranmi  
3rd place: Desereen

#### YEAR 4

1st place: Hannah  
2nd place: Aya  
3rd place: Anthony

#### PLAYERS

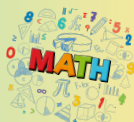
1st place: Alayna - Year 2  
2nd place: Hannah - Year 4  
3rd place: Dafne - Year 3

#### YEAR 3

1st place: Dafne  
2nd place: Raphael  
3rd place: Elnathan

#### YEAR 6

1st place: Noah



## St James the Great Award

### GOLD STAR

Year 1 - Eilaf  
Year 2 - Patrice  
Year 3 - Dafne  
Year 4 - Zion  
Year 5 - Halima  
Year 6 - Kyle

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

# Year 4



## CALLING ALL YEAR 4 PUPILS

**PECKHAM  
PIRANHAS**



**CRICKET**

**BURGESS PARK,  
COBOURG ROAD,  
PECKHAM,  
SE5 0JD**

### OUTDOOR COMMUNITY SESSIONS

**TUESDAYS 5.00pm-6.00pm**

**3rd June until 22nd July 2025 (8 weeks)**

- All sessions are free to students from Peckham Primary Schools
- Open to boys and girls
- Level 2 qualified & DBS checked coaches
- Opportunities to take part in competitive matches

Please contact Matt Golding (Hub Supervisor) to confirm your place:



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**PLATFORM  
CRICKET**

'Children in Year 4 learned to play cricket with Matt Golding back in January, this was so that they would be able to come along to these summer sessions in Burgess Park and be able to join in the fun with children from other Peckham schools. The sessions are free, led by qualified coaches and will take place each Tuesday evening in the summer term from the 3rd June.

Please consider going along with your son or daughter and enjoy the fun!