

# St James the Great Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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"Doing our best for God, for others and for ourselves" Friday 17th October 2025

Jesus wanted to teach his disciples that they should always pray and never give up. So He told them a story. Jesus said,

"There was a judge in a certain town who had neither fear of God nor respect for any other person. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, 'I want justice from you against my enemy!' For a long time the judge refused, but at last he said to himself, 'Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for any other person, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will continue coming and worry me to death."" Then Jesus said, "if even the unjust judge eventually helped this woman who didn't give up, then how much more will God, who is good, help those who pray to Him every day."

## **Upcoming Events**

Monday 20th October Reception - visit to the library

Hugh Gloss will be joining our assembly to deliver the 'Summer Reading Challenge' certificates

### Wednesday 22nd October

Reception - Parents workshop Nursery - Central venture park visit

Friday 24th October **INSETT DAY** SCHOOL CLOSED HALF TERM FROM 27<sup>TH</sup> TO 31<sup>ST</sup> **OCTOBER** 

## NO AFTERSCHOOL **CLUB NEXT** THURSDAY

### Catholic Social Teaching Principle 'Peace'

Loving God,

As we go about our day God, as we strive to walk with Jesus in a world of peace, remind us that we are the minds, hearts and hands of Christ, who is with us always.

May your grace, mercy and peace, bless us, keep us and transform us. Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer

### Virtue 'Patience'

I am able to wait because some things take time. II trust in God and wait calmly and with self-control.

"Be patient and wait for the Lord to act don't be worries about those who prosper or those who succeed in their evil plans. Don't give in to worry or anger; it only leads to trouble.' Psalm 37:7-8

## THIS WEEK AT SCHOOL







Year 3 had a fantastic trip to the Imperial War Museum and Southwark Cathedral on Tuesday!























Time Eake

Last Friday, our
Nursery class had a
wonderful time
baking a cake to
celebrate Harvest
Day! They used
fruits from their
snack time to
create a delicious
treat — a sweet way
to say thank you for
all the lovely things
they have and to
share them
together.



# Saint Luke, Evangelist Feast day 18th October

St Luke was a Greek doctor who converted to Christianity.

He was a companion of the Apostle Paul, and wrote his Gospel in accordance with Paul's teaching.

He also wrote the Acts of the Apostles, which narrates the early history of the Church up to Paul's first stay in Rome.

As a Greek, he takes care to explain to Gentile readers Jewish customs and the meaning of Hebrew words.





# EARLY PHONICS SESSION - WEDNESDAY 22ND OCTOBER 9AM

Please come to a session about the PHONICS program at out school and learn how you can support your child at home with the development of their skills in their phonic knowledge in order to become a confident and enthusiastic reader. You will have the opportunity to ask questions and we will show you how you can access the parent portal which has many resources to support you and your child at home.



LAST DAY OF THIS HALF
TERM IS NEXT
THURSDAY 23<sup>RD</sup>
OCTOBER
SCHOOL WILL BE
CLOSED FOR ONE WEEK.
BACK TO SCHOOL
MONDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER



Year 6
Secondary School Application

A gentle reminder to parents that the deadline for your secondary school application is fast approaching.

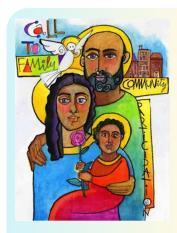
31st October 2025

It is an online process which is now open, please use the link below:

https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/

# UPDATE

# Start of the day: bell rings at 8.50AM



Virtue we live by **PATIENCE** 

I AM PATIENT

when

I can wait.

I use strategies to keep myself calm.

I can do something now that will help me in the future.

I can accept things I cannot change with humour and grace.

I am patient with myself when I make mistakes.

I am patient with others when they make mistakes.

## We believe in 'Peace' Focus of EYFS

"Peace... is an order that is founded in truth, nurtured and animated by charity, and brought into effect under the auspices of freedom." Peace is a cornerstone of our faith.

Christ, the Prince of Peace, sacrificed himself with love on the cross.

If your child has missed his/hers flu vaccine please have a look at the available dates below

**CAMBERWELL - SE5 7SW** 

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October

Saturday 1st November

Saturday 15th November

## RYE OAK CHILDREN'S CENTRE - SE15 3PD

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October

Thursday 30th October

STOCKWELL CHILDREN'S CENTRE - SW9 9TG

Tuesday 28th October

**HITHERFIELD CHILDREN'S CENTRE - SW16 2LN** 

Friday 31st October

**WALK IN SERVICE - 10AM TO 2PM** 

020 8614 5495

## **FAMILY FUND**

Thank you to everyone who has already contributed! If you haven't yet, please do so at the school office!

## **PAYMENTS**

Please note that payments for items such as uniform, breakfast club, nursery fees, family fund etc. can now be made by card at the school's office!



More info on: https://www.mannasociety.org.uk/

# **HELPING WITH** THE HARVEST

At this time of year we ask everyone to help support a very good local cause.

# LAST DAY TO **DONATE IS** MONDAY!



## MANNA DAY CENTRE **Harvest Festival list 2025**

Needs in order of priority

FOOD Sugar Tomatoes (Tinned) Vegetables (Tinned) Pasta

**Baked Beans** Meat (Tinned) Corned beef Chopped ham

Luncheon meats Fish

Tinned Food Soup Stewed steak Hot Dogs

Non-Tinned Food Curry Sauces Porridge oats Breakfast cereals Tomato sauce

Rice pudding

Cooking oil

**DRINKS** 

Coffee Dilutable drinks

TOILETRIES Bodywash Soap Deodorants Shaving Foam Shampoo Disposable razors Toothpaste Toothbrushes

MEN'S CLOTHING Jeans (Waist 30-38) Socks Jogging bottoms

Trainers Fleeces / Hoodies T-shirts Shoes Underwear Trousers (Waist 30-38)

Coats MISCELLANEOUS

**Toilet Rolls** Tea Mugs Novels Oyster cards (Unregistered preferably)

# St James the Great Award

# 'RE'

Year 1 - Mary & Esther Year 2 - Harry & Ahnilah-Lea Year 3 - Sariyah & Alayna Year 4 - Israel & Matthew Year 5 - Joshua & Israel Year 6 - Daniel & Misekin

# Catholic Social Teaching Principal

# 'Peace'

Year 1 - Kenechukwu Year 2 - Karla Year 3 - Hesed Year 4 - Emiliano Year 5 - David Year 6 - Husafiata

# Librarians

Year 6 - April & Kairo

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