



St James the Great Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

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

Friday 25th September 2026



In this Sunday Gospel, the father represents God and the sons represent ways that we can respond to God. Initially one son refused his father's request, but then he had a change of heart for the better. This Gospel sets us a challenge. Sometimes we may not always respond to God in the best way. However, God our Father is always there to welcome a change of heart. No matter how many times we need to start again - God will be there for us.

St John Henry Newman - "To live is to change, and to be perfect is to have changed often."

Upcoming Events

Monday 28th Sept

Reception - Library

Tuesday 29th Sept

KS2 - Unicorn

Theatre

Reception - Open

Day - new intake Sept
2027

Wednesday 30th Sept

Year 2 - Art Gallery

After School Activities

THURSDAYS

Year 3 - Multisports Club



A big thank you and well done to all our staff for their hard work, dedication and support during our Ofsted inspection on Tuesday and Wednesday.

We would also like to thank all the parents and carers who took the time to complete the Ofsted Parent View survey. We really appreciate your participation and support.

We will share the outcome of the inspection with our school community in due course, once the final report has been published.

Catholic Social Teaching
Principal

'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 life to the
full.

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

Virtue

'Citizenship'

I am a good citizen.
I show love for my neighbour
through my actions.

*"Do not forget to do good and
to help one another, because
these are the sacrifices that
please God."*

Hebrews 13:14; 16

THIS WEEK AT SCHOOL



NURSERY visit to Peckham Library.
The children had a wonderful time!



PARENTS EVENING

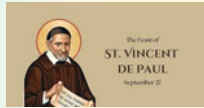
TUESDAY 13TH

OCTOBER

Booking
information will be
shared in the
coming weeks



St Vincent de Paul
Feast day 27th September



Lord, show us who needs our help.
Lord, use our hands to help those who are hungry.
Lord, open our hearts to love and comfort those who are sad and lonely.
Lord, let us share our time, gifts and talents with those in need.
St Vincent de Paul
Pray for us.

Important Reminder

Keep Your Contact Details Up to Date

We kindly remind all parents and guardians that it is essential to inform the school office immediately of any changes to your contact details, including email address, phone number, or home address. Accurate and up-to-date records are paramount for your child's safety and wellbeing, as they allow us to contact you quickly in case of emergencies and ensure you receive important school communications. Thank you!

PAYMENTS – HELPING US GO CASHLESS

A reminder that payments for school uniform, Breakfast Club, Nursery fees, and Family Fund can be made by card at the school office. As we continue to work towards becoming a cashless school, we kindly ask parents and carers to use card payments wherever possible. For class activities, where a contribution is requested, please give this directly to your child's class teacher. Thank you for your cooperation and support.



PE & SWIM KITS

Thursdays - PE kit

Year 1 to Year 6

PE kit

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

Fridays Dance lessons -

PE kit

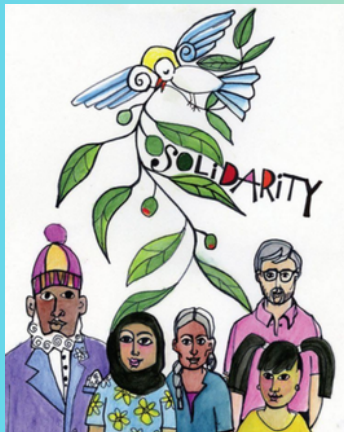
Year 3 to Year 6

SWIM kit

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

Fridays - SWIM kit

Year 3 & Year 4



Virtue we live by
CITIZENSHIP
I AM A GOOD CITIZEN
when

I show my love for my neighbourhood through my actions.

I am part of my community.

I make a positive difference.

I look for opportunities to serve others.

I am proactive.

I play my part to look after the environment.

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)

Year 6 Secondary School Applications

A reminder to parents that the closing date and final deadline for your secondary school application is fast approaching.

31st October 2026

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

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

If you have difficulties with this process, please get in touch with the school office!

St James the Great Award

'Science'

Year 1 - Osagie & Evan
Year 2 - Brandon & Kenzo
Year 3 - Noel D & Wura
Year 4 - Adrian & Mason
Year 5 - Amira & Elijah
Year 6 - Sapphire & Zion

Catholic Social Teaching Principal 'The Common Good'

Year 1 - Ire
Year 2 - Sophie
Year 3 - Aliyah
Year 4 - Miah
Year 5 - Praise-Angel
Year 6 - Chukwada

Pupil Leadership 'Lunchtime Helpers'

Year 6 - Patrick, Yemaryam, Marcel & Anthony

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