

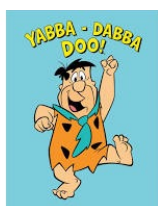


Dear parents: Advent begins this Sunday and our preparations for the season of joy, light and some hope begin. We have lots planned and of course very different this year but we will provide all details on December 1st. Meanwhile so much going on and so many requests for items in the newsletter that there will be extra newsletters coming through in the next few days. Meanwhile wrap up warm as Arctic chill on the way and don't waste your money on Black Friday. Happy Thanksgiving for those celebrating this week and reasons to be cheerful are still plentiful.

The new coming out of lockdown and going onto Tiers are being slowly announced so I will be trying to make sense of the diktats from on high and trying to make it a happy and holy season as well as great fun for the children. Busy days

Pics of the week:

Year 3 Stone Age day and Maradona and Pele - thank you God for letting me see them play ... RIP.



PA Christmas Tree appeal and more news.

Chr Tree Fundraising Event..... see website. Deadline is midnight tonight and yes I've bought 6ft tree too great value and like Norman Firs. 30 been ordered so far and 20 wreaths. Details on website.

PA Advent - Xmas Appeal

"Inspired by a recent trip with kids to the V&A, the PA is organising a **"Search-for-the-letters-to-make-the-secret-word trail game."** The idea is that all 32 stalls across the trail, each displays a letter somewhere. Kids note the letter down on a card and then assemble the letters into an anagram word or phrase and report the word to **Miss Sylvia's Retro Sweet stall at 32 Englefield Road (Culford Road entrance)** to get a sweet reward if they discover the correct one. The secret word -is TOP SECRET of course!"

- Ask to each class teacher to share the above details of **"Search-for-the-letters-to-make-the-secret-word trail game."** in class before the event and on Class Dojo so that all the children and families will be more encouraged to participate.

"The PA is looking for 14 volunteers to help on the stalls on 6th December from 12 to 2pm. Please contact olsjparents@gmail.com to let them know if you can help.

De Beauvoir Christmas trail guidelines will be on the school gates on Monday.

Roberta On behalf of OLSJ PA

School news ... this and next week

Monday ...SRE consultation began and now open.

Tuesdayschool featured in Hackney Black History Trail ...twice. Joanna Vasso (daughter of legendary Oluadoh Equiano) lived in a house on this site in the 18th century and hosted meetings for the famous abolitionists + congrats to Rainbow Bakery (best saltfish patties in Dalston by the way) also on this list. See under EVENTS on our website

Thursday ... Virtual Meeting for parents on our WAMHS work in school. Well-being and mental health services joint working thanks to the parents who took part.

Friday ... Year 3 Stone Age dressing up day looking amazing and great fun as the children go back in time.

Reading Certs being given out today in all classes. Flu forms due back.

Attendance: Even more remarkable figures this week in our school. National is around 87% and Hackney @ 88%. Incredible keep this up until Christmas and everyone is back now so lets have some 100% days.

November 13- 20th @ 98.04%

and finallyGeorge Best died November 25th 2010 Diego Maradona died November 25th 2020 ...God moves in mysterious ways ... remember that '86 goal like it was yesterday (heard a great Terry Butcher story once) Pele, Messi, Eusebio, Charlton, Garincha, Ronaldo, Zico, Socrates, Puskas, Di Stefano, Yashin, was he the greatest of them all ??? ...forget his flaws he was nearly as good as Bobby Moore and an immortal RIP more to follow on Monday enjoy the freezing weather and have a great end of November. 2020 has 34 days left enjoy.