

Our Lady & St Joseph Primary School Newsletter 1173

**Dear parents:** .... Friday Newsletter as well this week. Hope you collected your Christmas tree and wreath from the PA yesterday. I bought a 6ft Norman Fir and seriously impressed. Well pleased !!.. as they say in Hackney. Big PA and De Beauvoir Society event Sunday 10.00am -2.00pm hope it goes well for everyone, wrap up warm. Christmas dates are all on the website now and filming and decorations all underway for next two weeks. On the 14th and 15th in the evening we are organising a chance to come into the school for the first time since March 20th some 9 months ago. You will be allowed in in family groups only and can do a circuit of lights, stables, cribs and Winter Wonderlands etc. Because of restrictions you must stick only to family groups and follow the designated circuit. It will however be magical for young children and allow you to take some great photos and films. Grandparents / relatives can come provided they are part of your own family group. Children must also stay with their own parents on the route. All times and details next week ... now back to check on how the nasal flu sprays are going. Hope you get to enjoy a substantial meal this weekend.

## Pics of the week:

Christmas trees, flu sprays, 3 Wise Men quiz...(What do they all have in common??) and Christmas visitors. + Fr. Michael Daley our old parish priest and now the new Chair of the Catholic Children's Society.











## School news ... this and next week

Monday ... Thursday this week .. well done Year 2 on completing the Phonics check held over from June this year. Amazing results once again considering the break we have had. Well pleased !!! Well done to the children, teachers and support staff involved. Results will be published next week.

December 7th Monday- Mass in school Year 6 @ 2.00pm

December 11th Friday A Christmas Carol - West End Theatre group in all day. Show and drama workshops. Thanks to the PA for paying

Also Christmas Jumper and costume day £1 donation all to go to Church Foodbank.

Attendance: Remarkable figures currently at 97.9% in our school and nationally down to @ 82% ..... Well pleased !! ...again ...



Fr Michael's Advent Message to schools 2020

3 Very Wise Men pictured below all with something in common but what is it ???? answer next week.



and finally .... great to hear about the new Pfizer vaccine made by two Turkish scientists in Germany working for an American company, tested in Brazil and manufactured in Belgium ... a great British success story hmm!!? ... -70° storage may prove complex however but please look up what these new vaccines are and what RNA means they are groundbreakingly (is there such a word?) different ...will be writing much more on this in the weeks to come.. amazing Phonics results Year 2 ... Nigella much better this week with her anchovy recipes yummy. Well pleased - One question often asked is food heaven and hell ... I like most things but my hell would be tripe and any sort of liquorice for dessert Nigella's big idea last week. Finally saw the Mary Wollstonecraft Statue this week in Newington Green hmm!! cold snap on the way and 20 days to Christmas.