



Brindishe  
Federation

## Brindishe Federation Newsletter

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2023

### *Looking for a nursery place for your child? Or know someone who is?*

Find one at Brindishe Manor or Brindishe Green!

- both Ofsted-rated 'outstanding' schools

Brindishe Manor and Brindishe Green have **part-time and full-time** nursery places for children aged 3 and 4 years from September 2023.

[Visit our school website to find an application form and further information.](#)

### *Reception Open Dates for September 2024*

Brindishe Schools have now published dates for Open Days (school tours). Tour places must be booked in advance with the school office. Please email admissions@ to reserve your place. Please note: Each school has its own booking system and email address.

**Brindishe Green** – [admissions@brindishegreen.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:admissions@brindishegreen.lewisham.sch.uk)

Thursday 28th September - 10am and 4.30pm

Tuesday 17th October - 10am and 4.30pm

Tuesday 14th November - 10am and 4.30pm

**Brindishe Manor** – [admissions@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:admissions@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk)

Tuesday 26th September - 9.30am and 4.30pm

Thursday 12th October - 9.30am and 4.30pm

Monday 13th November - 9:30am and 4:30pm

**Brindishe Lee** – [admissions@brindishelee.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:admissions@brindishelee.lewisham.sch.uk)

Thursday 21st September - 9:30am and 4:30pm

Monday 16th October - 9:30am and 4:30pm

Wednesday 15th November - 9:30am and 4:30pm

### *The Coronation of His Majesty The King*

The coronation of King Charles III and The Queen Consort will take place on Saturday 6 May 2023 at Westminster Abbey in London.

Join Lewisham in celebrating across the Bank Holiday weekend between Saturday 6 and Monday 8 May, find out how you can be involved in this historic occasion [here](#).



## ***Rights Respecting at Brindishe Schools – Article of the week***

### **Article 9 (separation from parents)**

Children must not be separated from their parents against their will unless it is in their best interests (for example, if a parent is hurting or neglecting a child). Children whose parents have separated have the right to stay in contact with both parents, unless this could cause them harm.

### **Article 20 (children unable to live with their family)**

If a child cannot be looked after by their immediate family, the government must give them special protection and assistance. This includes making sure the child is provided with alternative care that is continuous and respects the child's culture, language and religion.

### **Article 21 (adoption)**

Governments must oversee the process of adoption to make sure it is safe, lawful and that it prioritises children's best interests. Children should only be adopted outside of their country if they cannot be placed with a family in their own country.

### **Article 25 (review of treatment in care)**

If a child has been placed away from home for the purpose of care or protection (for example, with a foster family or in hospital), they have the right to a regular review of their treatment, the way they are cared for and their wider circumstances.

### **Why might it not sometimes be possible for children to live with their parents?**

- Parents may be unwell and unable to care for them.
- Parents may not be able to keep their children safe.
- Parents may not be able to provide everything a child needs to be the best they can be.
- Family situations may change, for example there may be a crisis.
- Parents may live separately, even in different countries.
- The child may need long term treatment or care.
- Parents may be in prison.
- Disasters or emergencies may cause a child to be separated from their family.

At Brindishe Schools, we support children to understand that not all children live in the same kinds of families and that there are families of many different types. ['Every Family Is Different' by Maureen Eppen](#) discuss the different types of families we come across. What do you think they all have in common?





## ***Brindishe Weekly Online Safety Bulletin***

Did you know that [internetmatters.org](https://www.internetmatters.org) has free printable e-safety leaflets and resources to download, print and share with your children, other parents/carers or colleagues to help keep children safe online?

### **Online Grooming**

Grooming is when someone seeks to build an emotional connection with a child to gain their trust for sexual purposes. It happens both online and face to face.

[Learn what the signs of grooming are and where you and your child can get help with this free downloadable leaflet.](#)



### ***Key Federation Dates***

- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April – NEU Strike Day
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May – BANK HOLIDAY – School closed
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – NEU Strike Day
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – KS1 SATS window opens
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Coronation BANK HOLIDAY – School Closed
- KS2 SATS week – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May

Please look at each Brindishe Schools individual newsletters and Weduc communication for which classes will be open to children and which will be closed on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

### ***Governing Body Dates***

If you would like to attend a Brindishe Federation Governing Body meeting as an observer, please email our Chair, Liz Murphy - [lizcmurphy@gmail.com](mailto:lizcmurphy@gmail.com)

Summer 1  
Summer 2

Brindishe Lee  
Brindishe Manor

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023, 6pm  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2023, 6pm