

Newsletter

Friday 20th September 2024



Brindishe
Green

What has been happening this week?

This week we had our final Meet the Teacher meeting with our new Reception families. If you were not able to attend the meeting you can find the presentation on Weduc.

Also this week, Macaw class finished their swimming lessons. Thank you to all the parents and carers who supported the class by walking them to and from the pool every day. Next week it is Cassowary's turn to...make a splash!

No Nuts or Nut Products

Please can we remind all families that nuts or nut based products should not be brought into school or onto school premises. This includes chocolate nut spreads such as Nutella. There are several children and adults with allergies in school, including airborne allergies.



What is happening next week?

Next week, all three Year 4 classes will visit the Bromley Synagogue as part of their RE learning. On Thursday next week we will be welcoming parents/carers to our school who are thinking about what primary school to send their children to in September. They will be shown around by Year 6 children and staff.

Polling Station - We Need Your Help!

As you know, every year Brindishe Green School is used as a polling station in local or general elections. This leads to lots of disruption for our children, families and staff, as we either have to pack up and close the Nursery for a day, or close the whole school to children.

The council are currently reviewing where polling stations will be moving forward, and we would like to encourage you to write to the council to ask for them to use another venue in the area, instead of our school.

You can do this by writing to:

Jamie Baker, Head of Electoral Services

Email: electoral.services@lewisham.gov.uk

Post: Electoral Services, Laurence House, Catford, London, SE6 9SE

Please click here for more information - [Lewisham Council](#).



The School Office

As you can imagine, the school office is a very busy place, especially in the morning or at the end of the day. Please can we encourage you to email questions or messages to the main email address instead of coming into the office in the morning, unless of course it is an emergency (info-BG@brindisheschools.org).

Also, if your child is in **Nursery or Reception**, and they are late for school, we may have to ask you to stand and wait with your child, before someone is able to take them to the classroom. We appreciate that you may be in a hurry, but we need to ensure the children are safe and a school adult might not be available straight away. We encourage all families to arrive on time, before 8.45am.

School Vision and Values - What We Believe at Brindishe Schools

At Brindishe Schools, we want the very best for all our children, staff and families. We share our vision and our values with our school community so that everyone knows we are all working together

Our Vision What We Want for Everyone

- We respect and celebrate our community
- We encourage others and want everyone to feel energised, valued, confident and empowered to be themselves
- We aim to be the best learners we can be
- We want to be champions of our own learning and relationships
- We develop our knowledge, skills, interests and needs through our learning
- We look after ourselves and the wellbeing of others so that we are healthy both physically and mentally. This is so we can make the best progress possible
- We nurture a culture of mutual respect, positivity and inquisitiveness
- We all contribute to the diverse world around us. We want to make a positive difference.

Our Values What We Think Is Important

- Children, families and staff at Brindishe Schools are drawn from a rich variety of backgrounds, identities, experiences and points of view*
- Everyone should feel valued and celebrated
- Everyone has rights and we all respect these rights
- Everyone should recognise that they play an important part in our community
- Everyone should believe in themselves, try to achieve their best and reach their full potential
- Everyone's contribution is welcomed and valued
- Everyone has the opportunity to learn to the best of their ability and raise their academic achievements.



2 All children have these rights



6 I should be supported to live and grow



29 I have the right to an education which develops my personality, respect for others' rights and the environment

Something Wonderful to Celebrate

These children have been praised this week for their wonderful learning and behaviour in school.

E Penguin	Ausar & Jessica
Cormorant	Olivier & Aamina
Shoebill	Sol & Averie
Macaw	Ousmane & Ariana
Heron	Kaelo & Amy
Cassowary	Zara & Jordan
Hornbill	Grace & Even
Red Kite	Ehan & Keziah
Puffin	Link & Isabella
Magpie	Rico & Eliot
Hawk	Frances & Amelie
Kingfisher	Sompa & Sofia Y
Woodpecker	Oliver & Maddie
Parakeet	Princess & Asna
Kestrel	Edward & Dylan-Rose
Swift	Elliott & Matilda
Little Owl	Stella & Jerell
Goldfinch	Freya & Hashvi



Attendance and Punctuality

Overall school attendance this week:	94.75%	
Top classes with attendance over 98%:	Woodpecker	100%
	Hummingbird	100%
	Little Owls	98.55%
	Cormorant	98.54
	Puffin	98.34%
	Parakeet	98.13%
A huge well done to Woodpecker and Hummingbird who achieved 100% attendance this week.		
Top Classes for excellent punctuality:	Hawk, Robin, Goldfinch, Little Owls, and Parakeet - A huge well done 🎉	

Some Important Dates - Autumn Term

September 2024		October 2024	
Mon 2 nd and Tue 3 rd Sep	Inset Days - No school	Black History Month	
Wed 4 th Sep	Start of Autumn term Y1-6	Tue 15 th Oct - 10:00am & 4:15pm	Rec/Nursery Open Day
Thursday 26 th Sept - 10am & 4:15pm	Rec/Nursery Open Day	Thurs 17 th Oct - 3:15-3:45pm	Open classroom Years 1, 3, 6
Year Group meetings - 8.50am Friday 6 th Sept - Year 6 Monday 9 th Sept - Year 1 Tuesday 10 th Sept - Year 2 Wednesday 11 th Sept - Year 3 Thursday 12 th Sept - Year 4 Friday 13 th Sept - Year 5 Wednesday 18 th Sept - Reception		Thurs 17 th Oct	Flu immunisations R-Y6
		Mon 28 th Oct - Fri 1 st Nov	Half Term

A message from the Brindishe Friends Group



SAVE THE DATE!

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Thursday 3 October, 5:00pm at Brindishe Green School

All parents and carers are invited to join BFG trustees and school staff at our AGM on Thursday 3 October. Come along to hear all about our friendly, fun PTA and what we've got planned for the next school year.

Is there a special event you'd love to see? Do you have ideas about what we should fundraise for? Have you thought of a creative way we could raise funds? This is your chance to tell us all about it!

Our AGM is held once a year in the Autumn term. We would love to see as many new (and old) faces as possible - it's a great way to meet new parents. This meeting will help shape the events and fundraising we do this year so it's a great opportunity to share your thoughts. Please drop us an email if you're planning to come along or have any questions about our meetings - bfgsocials@gmail.com.

Pizza Night

Look out for more details of our pizza night on Friday 11 October - buy a pizza kit, collect it from school and make your own delicious pizza at home! Order here:

<https://doughies.co.uk/products/brindishe-green>

Asda's Cashpot for Schools

You still have 71 days to sign up for Asda's Cashpot for Schools. Asda is making millions of pounds available to UK primary schools and we can be part of it: <https://tr.ee/tD5dRjMzNH>
All money raised for Brindishe Green will go towards the BFG's fundraising goals of improving our playground and providing activities and equipment to enhance the children's experience at school.

We have already raised £78 for the school, just by parents and carers following these simple steps:

1. Download the Asda Rewards app, register and opt-in to Cashpot for Schools (make sure you have the latest version of the app installed)
2. Choose Brindishe Green – either searching by name or postcode (SE13 6EH)
3. Shop instore across Asda and George, or online at Asda.com and start filling your Cashpot as you shop

Visit <https://asda.com/cashpotforschools> for more details.

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