

13 May 2016

Dear parents, carers, staff, governors and friends,

National tests for Y6 are over!

Congratulations to our Y6 children for their huge effort and stamina with their national tests this week. We feel very proud of each and every one of them and we know they have done their very best. Special thanks go to the Y6 staff team, not just for preparing a SATs breakfast for our Y6s every day this week, but for their dedication and support in preparing and encouraging the children for this very important year. I know Y6 parents and carers will want to join me in this. We would also like to thank the rest of the school who were so thoughtful and supportive all week, including working together to clear up a large flood in Central Hall during a down pour while SATs were taking place on Wednesday! Y6 are celebrating today with a very well deserved visit to Chessington.

Tests and assessments this term

Y2 are taking their national tests throughout the month of May. A meeting for Y2 parents and carers to explain assessment in Y2 was held at the start of May, and if you would like any further information please speak to your child's class teacher. In mid-June Y1 will be taking a phonics test which each child takes individually with a teacher. Further information about the phonics test will be given to Y1 parents and carers over the coming weeks.

Hockey tournament

Last week Brindishe Green held a tri-school hockey tournament and 8 children from Y3 and 4 at Brindishe Manor went along to take part. They played really

well, showed great team work and thoroughly enjoyed their morning! Thank you to Brindishe Green for hosting.

KS1 Choir at the Hither Green Festival

The KS1 choir will be performing in the Hither Green Festival Schools' Concert on Thursday 19th May, 6pm at Brindishe Green school. Parents should meet us at BG at 5.30pm.

Please see below for more information about this local community festival taking place from tomorrow 14 – 22 May.

BS Fun Run 25th June

Please put this important date in your diaries so that you don't miss the Brindishe Schools Fun Run on Saturday June 25th. Thank you to those who have already volunteered to help on the day. Please encourage as many people, family and friends to take part.

If you would like to volunteer, please let Helen Coupe our PE and Sports Lead know on

hcoupe@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk

Bexley and Kent selection registration

If your child is in year 5, you may be considering entering them for Bexley or Kent selection tests for secondary school in 2017. If so you will need to register your child online.

Bexley registration opened on 3 May 2016 and closes on 10 July. For more information see

www.bexley.gov.uk/selectiontests

Kent registration will be open from 1 June to 1 July 2016. See

<http://www.kent.gov.uk/education> for more information.

Dates for your diary

- 19 May** KS1 choir at HG Festival, arrive 5.30pm BG school
- 24 May and 9 June** Full Governing Body Meetings at Brindishe Green School at 6.00pm (let us know if you wish to attend as an observer and we'll arrange seating)
- 27 May** PSFA Cake Sale
- 30 May – 3 June** Half term break
- 6 June** INSET day for staff
- 7 June** Children return to school
- 8 June** New Reception parents and carers meeting 5-6pm
- 13-17 June** 'Phonics Screening' Y1
- 25 June** 'Together We Run': annual tri-school Brindishe Schools' community fun run at Sutcliffe Park.
- 2 July** PSFA Summer Fair 1 – 4pm
- 7 July** Sports Day at Manor Hse Gardens for Ys 1-6.
- 8 July** Reception Sports Day (school grounds)
- 20 July** End of term

And finally...

Clubs and classes start again next week.

With very best wishes,

Gerlinde Achenbach
Headteacher

Community Event

Hither Green Festival 14 – 22 May

The Hither Green Community Association have been working on exciting plans for this year's Festival Week - 14 to 22 May. The Festival starts tomorrow with the Fayre around the Clocktower at Hither Green with art and craft stalls, food and lively music. As is customary now, there is the Hither Green Bake Off competition with the usual category for 5 to 10 year-olds. There is a chocolate theme this

year, so dust off your recipes for Yummy Chocolate Cookies!"

Booklets outlining the week's events are being sent home today. If you receive more than one copy the Association have asked if you would kindly pass one to family, friends and neighbours to help spread the word.

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CAKE & ICE LOLLY SALE

FRIDAY 27th May 3.15pm

The cake sale will be held two weeks from today so please mark it in your diaries. Donations were fantastic at the last sale and it would be great to match that again. We will also be selling lollies so keep your fingers crossed for lovely weather!

As usual, please bring cake donations to the office on the morning of the sale.

Have a great weekend.