

29 April 2016

Dear parents, carers, staff, governors and friends,

### **This week at Brindishe Manor...**

#### **School Journey for Ys 5 and 6 next year**

Thank you to the families who have come along to our recent meetings to find out about planned residential school visits for next years' Y5 and Y6 children. These visits are a fantastic opportunity for children to experience a few days living away from home in a safe setting. They are always huge fun too!

Information has been sent out again to current Y4s and will be sent out again early next week to current Y5s.

If you could not make the meetings but are interested to find out more, please contact Deputy Head, Kate Porter or Helen Coupe, our PE and Sports Lead.

#### **School Lunch price increase**

Please note that the price of a paid school meal is to increase from £1.90 per day to £2.00, with effect from 2nd May 2016. Please remember that all dinner money should be paid to the office or via ParentPay in advance.

#### **Visit from Luna, the Dogs' Trust dog**

Children in Y1, 5 and 6 this week met Luna, the Dogs' Trust dog. Luna was in school over 2 days so that children could learn more about the responsibilities of dog ownership as well as how to keep safe around dogs. Lovely Luna was impeccably behaved and allowed every single child to give her a stroke. She even fell asleep on her owner's lap at the end of the second long day.

Luna will be back next week to meet more lucky children.

#### **'Together We Run' – Sat 25 June**

The Brindishe Schools' fun run is in its 3<sup>rd</sup> very successful year. It's a fantastic opportunity for families (children, parents, carers), staff and governors to run together to raise money for the schools. We have a 1K race for children and a 5K race for adults. **Information about how to take part is attached to this newsletter.** We look forward to seeing another great turnout from Brindishe Manor staff, governors and families joining in the fun.

#### **School Nurse 'drop-in' sessions**

Our school nurse, Louise Trevatt, is offering informal drop-in sessions for parents and carers to talk about their child's health, for example, building good sleep habits, healthy eating, personal hygiene, keeping dry at night, asthma etc. Drop-ins will be held once a month, from 2 - 4.30pm starting on Wednesday 11 May 2016.

For more information speak to Clare Doran who is based in the school office, or at the school gates at the start and end of each day.

#### **KS2 Discos**

Thank you to members of the PSFA committee, and to those parents, carers and staff who helped the KS2 discos run so smoothly last Friday. The children had a fantastic time and are already talking about next year!

#### **Dates for your diary**

**Week beg. 2 May** School lunch price increase

**3 May** KS1 SATs information meeting for Y2 parents and carers 5pm /

KS2 SATs information meeting for Y6 parents and carers 6pm

**3 – 31 May** KS1 assessments (Y2)

**9 - 13 May** KS2 SATs (Y6)

**11 May** Drop-in run by the school nurse  
2 - 4.30pm  
**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)  
**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.  
**7 July** Sports Day at Manor Hse Gardens  
for Ys 1-6.

**And finally...**

Please note that there will be no clubs or  
music classes running during Year 6  
SATs week: Monday 9 - Friday 13 May.

With best wishes for a lovely bank holiday  
weekend,

Gerlinde Achenbach  
Headteacher