

22 April 2016

Dear parents, carers, staff, governors and friends,

This week at Brindishe Manor...

'The Peaceful Place'

Our new garden will be ready for us to use next week.

Thank you so much to all the parents and carers who have sent in fabric to be used for weaving on our new Earth Loom. We are now collecting scraps or off-cuts of fabric, so if you have any that you could cut into strips for the children to weave with, please do leave them with the school office team.

Classes are busy planning what they will grow in our new growing beds for the 'Grow, Cook, Eat' project this summer and are nearly ready to get planting up!

Brindishe School of Rock

Well done to the Year 5 children from our latest rock band who performed for us so confidently yesterday. We owe much thanks to Baz Golin who has taught many of our children to play a new instrument, learn the skills of team work and unlock their talent and confidence, through playing in a band. As he says, we hope to see a few familiar names in lights in the not too distant future!

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.

'Why not walk?' week

This week classes have been recording the many ways children get to and from school: there has been very successful scooter training for our younger children led by our Year 2s and 3s, and there have been assemblies helping children recognise the benefits brought to our hearts, lungs and muscles when we do such activities as walking, cycling, scooting and running wherever and whenever possible.

Together We Run – Sat 25 June

This is the 3rd year for this Saturday morning Brindishe Schools' community event. It's a family occasion where both children and adults can run to raise money for the schools. We have a 1K race for children and a 5K race for adults. Trophies for winners (we like a nice bit of healthy competition...) and medals for taking part will be part of the event again this year. Look out in this newsletter for the ways in which you can be involved.

Dates for your diary

Tonight! KS2 discos, Central Hall

5.00 – 6.15pm Y3/4

6.45 – 8.00pm Y5/6.

25 April Y3 archaeologists to Museum of London

26 April Open Day at Brindishe Manor for prospective parents and carers: 9.15 10.30am and 5.00 – 6.15pm.

26 and 27 April, 3 and 4 May: Dogs' Trust assemblies and workshops across the school.

28 April Year 6 School Journey meetings for current Year 5s 3.30pm and 6pm.

2 May School lunch price increase

3 – 31 May: KS1 assessments (Y2)

9 - 13 May KS2 SATs (Y6)

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 event at Sutcliffe Park.

7 July Sports Day at Manor Hse Gardens for Ys 1-6.

And finally...

Clubs begin on Monday, 25 April.

If you haven't already done so, please return your acceptance slips to the office as soon as you can.

Please note that there will be no clubs running during Year 6 SATs week

Monday 9 - Friday 13 May.

With best wishes,

Gerlinde Achenbach
Headteacher

PSFA (Parents, Staff, Friends Association) News

KS2 DISCO TONIGHT!!

Years 3/4 5.00-6.15

Years 4/5 6.45-8.00

Please ensure that your child brings their ticket, and is picked up **promptly** at the end of their disco. No child must travel home alone please. If your child will be taken home by another adult, please let us know when they arrive.

BRINDISHE SCHOOLS' COMMUNITY RUN: SATURDAY 25 JUNE

We have been contacted by the team at 'Together We Run', the annual Brindishe Schools' community running event, to ask for volunteers from Brindishe Manor to join the organising committee for the event, which will be held on Saturday June 25th. Please contact Lucy Gray (lucywj@hotmail.com) or the PSFA team (brindishemanorpsfa@gmail.com), or complete the attached form and return it to the school office for us to collect.