

Friday 01 March 2019

Dear families, staff, governors and friends

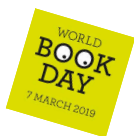
This week at Brindishe Lee ...

It has been a lovely week at Brindishe Lee ... the mound has been open and the children have been really enjoying playing and learning outdoors. Such a contrast to a year ago when, on 01 March, the school was closed because of snow!

Last night a very special enterprise event took place for Reception class when they held an exhibition of 'magical lanterns'. The children hope to sell the lanterns they have designed and made to their families to raise money for a boat in their outside learning area.



The children were so proud of their work and are very hopeful that they will raise the money they need. I shall keep you posted!

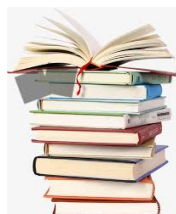


World Book Day! Thursday 07 March 2019

Next Thursday is World Book Day. It's a day to celebrate all the wonderful books we read. This year we are hoping everyone will dress up as their favourite character from their favourite book. F@B are organising a £1 collection, please see the poster at the end of this newsletter ...

Book Fair

As part of our reading and book celebration next week, Ms Kirkland has organised for the Book Fair to come to Brindishe Lee! It will be open for sales in the atrium on



Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings next week!

Do come along to see, and buy, the books. For every book you buy, the Book Fair company will donate money for the school to buy books too. The more we sell, the more we will be able to buy to top up our class libraries ... please pop in!

Sad news ...

You may have heard the disappointing news that this week a bike was stolen from the bike rack in school. If your child does cycle to school, and leaves their bike on the rack, you may want to consider locking it to the poles. Bikes and scooters are often left here over night, or over the weekend, please remember to collect them at the end of each day. Many thanks.

ONLINE
SAFETY
UPDATE

Safeguarding ...

Recently, online platforms such as Whatsapp, YouTube and YouTubeKids have reported videos being uploaded by users that are of a distressing and unsettling nature. The videos are aimed at children and often seem innocent. They may feature children's animation and characters, which can make the questionable content in the videos more difficult to spot.

To support you child at home, National Online Safety has issued the following advice:

- Check the 'up next' auto-play feature on apps such as YouTube. This can often mean inappropriate videos are played without a child's knowledge, and can cause more of this type of inappropriate videos to play.

Be present when your child is online. Engage in conversation about the content they are enjoying and if there is anything they are unsure about. Honest and frequent conversation about their online lives will encourage children to make confident online decisions.

Show your child the 'report and block' button for the apps they are using. This will give them power to stop harmful and upsetting content.

For more advice please feel free to contact Ms Lea or see @nationalonlinesafety.

EU exit: preparation for a No Deal Scenario.

Following the UK's exit from the European union, If there is a no deal scenario, EU, EEA EFTA and Swiss nationals and their family members living in the UK by 29 March 2019 can remain in the country and access benefits and public services, including education, on broadly the same terms as now. Receipt of certain benefits might also qualify families for free school meals. Check if your child can get [free school meals in England](#) on GOV.UK.

These families would need, however, to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme by 31 December 2020 to remain beyond this date.

The government has published arrangements for these [EU citizens in the case of a non-negotiated exit from the EU](#) and for [EEA EFTA and Swiss nationals](#).

EU CITIZENS IN THE UK. STAY INFORMED.



To apply to the EU Settlement Scheme you will need to fill in a short online application form using a computer, tablet or mobile phone.

You will be able to access the application form on GOV.UK when the scheme fully opens by 30 March 2019.

HM Government

Rights Respecting news

Article 19

You have the right to be protected from being hurt and mistreated, in body or mind.

This article supports the thinking and learning in our School Community Development Plan (SCDP) focus on mental health and well-being. Children are all being encouraged to take time and consider a healthy body and mind. This is explored daily and will be a part of our assemblies and discussions next week.



Learning Maths at Brindishe Lee

A message from Ms Scallon ...

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended the maths workshops yesterday. It was such

a good opportunity to be able to find out more about the different ways maths is taught in schools today. If you were unable to attend, I have prepared a handout for you to be able to see what was shared at the meeting. It will be attached to this newsletter. If you do have any questions, please come and find me to ask about it.

Many thanks to Ms Scallon for providing this maths' learning opportunity..



Dates for your diary ...

Next week

Mon – Weds

Monday

Wednesday

Thursday

Book Fair in the atrium!

School Journey meeting Year 5

Lewisham Live Dance – Year 5

Dress up for world Book Day!

12 March

Full Governing Body meeting @ Brindishe Manor. Please let us know if you would like to attend as an observer and we will arrange seating for you.

14 March

Theatre group Yrs 5&6

A reminder ...

Ms Scallon will be holding a meeting for parents / carers of Year 5 children about the Year 6 school journey on Monday at 6pm. Please come along to find out more information about school journey, the possible activities that the children will enjoy and have the chance to ask any questions you may have.

Attendance this week

Best attenders this week ... **Year 5, Cherry** with **100% WOW!** and **Reception** with **97.8%**. Well done, again, to Y5 ... they are the healthiest so far this year!

And finally ...

A new request for Reception / KS1 role-play activities ...

If you have a Picnic basket, picnic rug, fishing rod, fishing hat, waist jacket, tent etc. that you could donate for the children to use for part of their learning, please bring them to Mrs Hearne or hand to any member of staff. A big thank you!

I hope you have a happy weekend ...

Lisa Morris, Headteacher

Don't forget you can translate this newsletter into more than 100 different languages on our website:

www.brindishelee.lewisham.sch.uk



This week's learning at Brindishe Lee...

This week, there has been a buzz for our Magic in a Jar show. Thank you for coming to see our hard work! Each time we sell one, we get closer to our boat...

Reception

In science, we learnt about materials by designing and making houses. We went outside and tested if they were waterproof by using a watering can!

Year 1
Magnolia

We started doing column addition - you write the tens and the ones in the correct column and then you can add down the column to get the answer.

Year 1
Sycamore

In art, we looked at William Turner and used watercolours to make a picture in his style: bright and calm at sunrise or sunset.

Year 2

In history, we have researched and created collages of representing the Stone Age. In geography, we investigated the different types of soil.

Year 3

We finished *The Tin Forest*, a story in which someone makes a forest from scrap metal. In maths, we learnt how to work out the perimeter of quadrilaterals.

Year 4

In maths, we worked out equivalent ratios, so $3:5 = 6:10$. We also watched a video about sky diving and observed that air resistance is a type of friction.

Year 5
Willow

In science, we designed, made and deployed parachutes to test aerodynamics. We also learnt how to multiply fractions.

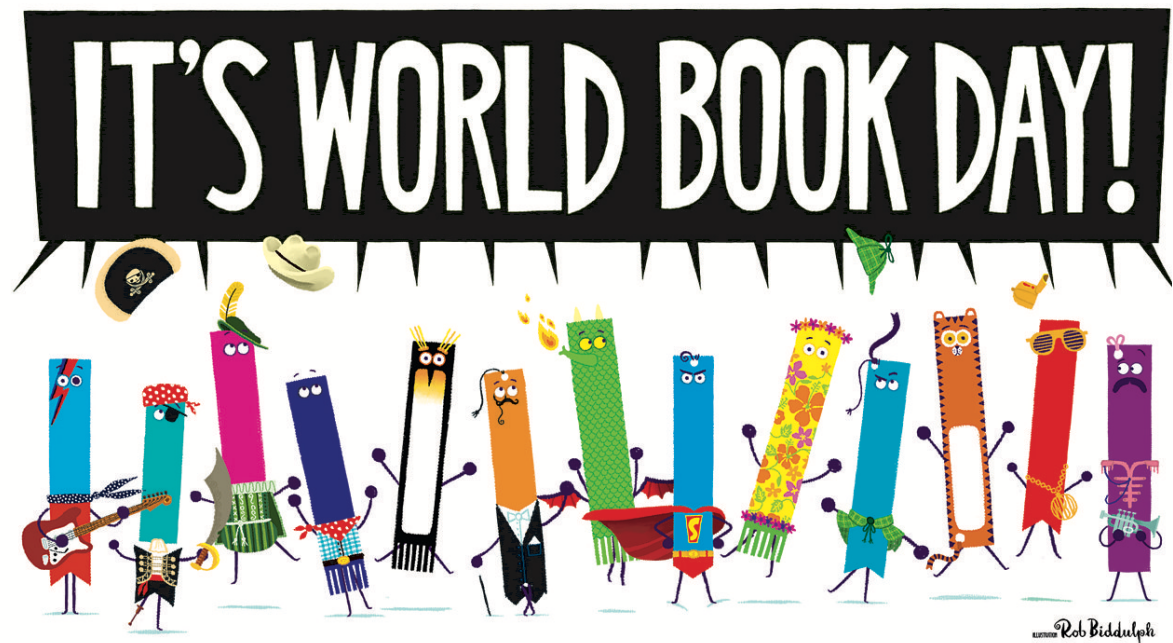
Year 5
Cherry

In maths, we studied the volume of liquids and solved problems involving fractions of a litre. We've also started a new book called *Wonder* and found direct speech in the text.

Year 6

Our Sport Correspondent has reported that our football team excelled in a Lewisham-wide sports tournament held yesterday. Of the four 5-a-side games that were played, the Brindishe Lee team won three and lost one. We won't know the results until next week, but we are optimistic! Next week, Brindishe Lee will be holding another Book Fair after school between 3:30 and 4:00, Monday to Wednesday. Cash only, please!

Brindishe
Lee



Thursday 7th March

Fancy dress to school!

Dress up as your favourite character from your favourite book and donate £1 to your school charity!

