

4 May 2018

Dear parents, carers, staff, governors and friends,

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

You may have noticed that our premises team, led by Haydn Phillips, has started work on the new bike store. They are putting up a large shelter which should offer better weather protection for bikes. The whole area will eventually be paved and then the bike store will open.

Once this has happened, we will be able to use fully this newly tarmacked area of the school, which includes a sheltered area, for play and lunchtimes. This opened-up shelter is ideal for our new table tennis table and board games.

We are grateful to Mr Phillips for constantly thinking of ways to improve the children's play experience – such as the newly improved and extended trim trail on the 'field' which all the children love.

### **Rights Respecting School**

As a Rights Respecting School, it is our duty to teach our children and families about the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. At Brindishe Manor we have a Rights Respecting Team, which includes staff and children from across the school. Each class has a Rights Respecting Champion whose job it is to promote the Rights Respecting agenda around school.

Each week in the newsletter, we will share one or two of the 54 articles that link with our learning in school or a particular theme for that week.

You can find out more by visiting <https://www.unicef.org.uk/rights-respecting-schools/the-rrsa/what-is-a-rights-respecting-school/>

This week we are focusing on:

### **Article 7**

**You have the right to a name, and this should be officially recognised by the government. You have the right to a nationality (to belong to a country).**

In assemblies this week the children learnt about how people, including the new royal baby, get their names and the rules set by the government about respecting this right.

The 'Rights Respecting' cake sale is on Friday 25th May...more information from the Rights Respecting team to follow!

### **Fantastic attendance**

*Ruby 99.3%*

*Jet 98.6%*

Well done to all these children.

### **Headlice**

Unfortunately there are headlice in several classes in school. Please take the time to check your child's hair thoroughly and treat if necessary. It is really important to do this in order to stop the lice being continually passed from one head to another. If your child's hair needs treating, please remember that you will need to treat the whole family.

### **Dates for your diary**

**1 – 31 May** KS1 SATs month (for Y2)

**7 May** Bank Holiday Monday – school closed

**11 May** Deadline for sending Reception place acceptance letters for Sep 2018 back to school office

**14 May** KS2 SATs week (for Y6)

**15 May and 27 June** 6pm Full Governing Body meetings at Brindishe Green.

Please let us know if you wish to attend as an observer and we will arrange seating for you.

**17 May** Hither Green Festival at Brindishe Green School – Y1 choir  
**24 May** Year 5 and 6 tri-school Sports Day at Ladywell Arena  
**28 May – 1 June** Half term  
**4 June** INSET day. Staff only - school closed to children  
**5 June** Children back to school.

With best wishes for a sunny bank holiday weekend!

Gerlinde Achenbach  
Headteacher

## **PSFA (Parents, Staff, Friends Association) News**

### **CEILIDH FOR PARENTS & FRIENDS OF BRINDISHE MANOR – SATURDAY 9 JUNE 7-11pm**

Hopefully you have received information and a return slip this week for the 'Ceilidh'. We hope you will come join us for an evening of Scottish dancing at St Andrew's Hall, Sandhurst Road, Catford SE6 1XD.

Tickets are £10 per person and can be purchased from your PSFA parent members or by returning the slip you received this week. Tickets are limited and will be first come, first served, so make sure you get your tickets soon!

### **“OUR RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL” Cake Competition and Sale Friday 25th May**

Our next event will be the cake competition celebrating Our Rights Respecting School. The entries will be judged by the Rights Respecting Team, and then sold after school to raise money to support our children's learning. Please

encourage your children to let their creativity flow and enter individually or as part of a team.

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