



Brindishe  
Manor

## Newsletter

*Friday 13th January 2023*

Dear Parents and Carers

This week all the children from Reception to Y6 took part in the NSPCC '**Speak out. Stay safe**' Workshop. Ms. Dougan ran the NSPCC online assemblies for children across the school to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse in a child-friendly way.

Children were taught to speak out if they are worried about anything, using the systems we have in place at school. This includes their class teachers, TAs, lunchtime play leaders or other trusted adults and they were also given information about to access Childline. Following our assemblies, trained members of the NSPCC team came in to deliver workshops for our Year 5 and Year 6 children.

If you'd like to know more about the NSPCC's work, take a look at the wide range of information and advice which is available for parents and carers on their website <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/>

Throughout the year, we also use our assemblies and PSHME time to provide children with information about how to speak out and stay safe and how they can get help when needed.

### School development Focus for Spring Term

At the start of the year, the senior leadership team work closely to generate our key priorities for improving standards across the school. This can be focusing on particular subject areas, styles of teaching, resources to support teaching, CPD for staff and many more. This term we wanted to share with you that our key focus is on writing and improving the outcomes for children by the end of Key Stage 2. We want more children to feel confident to plan, edit and redraft their own writing and feel proud of their final pieces. We will be focusing on the writing process and opportunities to develop vocabulary. Our staff have now been part of two CPD sessions on process and planning and different styles of writing support for children. We look forward to sharing the children's writing books with you at our open classroom this half term and parents' evening next half term.

#### Phones in the playground

Just a reminder that parents and carers should keep their phone out of sight and on silent when in the school playground. You should also remove your earphones whilst on school premises.  
Thank you!



## Playground improvements

Miss Hockham and the Playground Leaders have listened to children in the school about what is going well and what needs improving in the playground. They have decided to increase the variety of things to do and are working on developing different zones. They need your help!

The first zone is going to be an area where children can make camps. Do you have any of the following?

- Fabric in lengths of 1 metre or longer
- Pegs (wooden or plastic)
- String of any colour (plastic or twine) in lengths of 1 metre or longer
- Ribbons



If you could spare any or a selection of these items, please put them in a plastic bag and bring them to the office. There will be a regular update in the newsletter of things that we need so don't worry if you can't help this time – we'll be asking for other objects in the coming months!

## Parent/ teacher meetings

Parent and teacher meetings for Spring term will be held in the week beginning 27<sup>th</sup> March. We will be in touch closer to the time so that you can book your appointment with your child's class teacher. These meetings are always held after school.

I hope you all have a great weekend and fingers crossed for some sunshine!

**The Brindishe Manor team**



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## Brindishe Federation Newsletter

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023

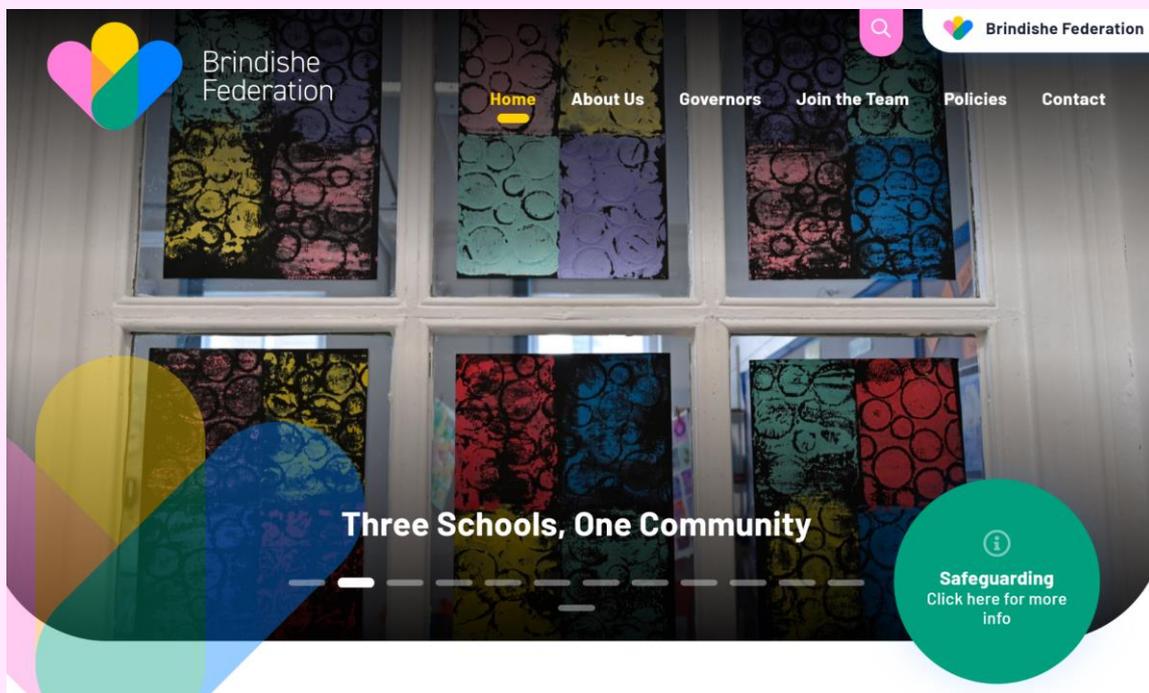
### ***Brindishe Website is now LIVE!***

As you know, at Brindishe Schools we have recently updated our federation and school logos. We are now pleased to inform you that the new website is now LIVE! The new design is modern and fresh and the site is more intuitive, easy to navigate and more accessible. Key information can be found quickly for each school and the virtual office provides parents/carers with a range of helpful information and/or contacts to help you answer any pressing questions or get in touch with the office quickly. There are links for all of our online platforms, both for you and for the children as well as class pages containing class newsletters. As the website develops class teachers will add photos and learning to their page.

You will also notice that we are delving into the world of social media with Twitter accounts for each school. Once these are established in the next few weeks, we will let you know so you can follow our school communities online and see live and instant messages and photos.

We hope the new website contains all the information you need and prospective families will be interested in when choosing a school for their child. Any feedback and/or comments would be warmly received.

[Brindishe Federation - Home \(brindisheschools.org\)](https://brindisheschools.org)





## ***Rights Respecting at Brindishe Schools - Article of the Week***

**Article 2 - The Convention applies to every child without discrimination**

**Article 19 - Protection from violence, abuse and neglect**

**Article 37- No child should be tortured, sentenced to death, imprisoned unfairly or treated in a cruel or inhuman way**

**Article 38- No child under 15 should join the army and children should be protected in war**



**Holocaust Memorial Day is on the 27<sup>th</sup> January every year.**

27<sup>th</sup> January marks the anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, the largest Nazi death camp. On this day we remember the six million Jewish people who were killed during the Holocaust, alongside millions of other people who were killed under Nazi persecution and in genocides that followed in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur.

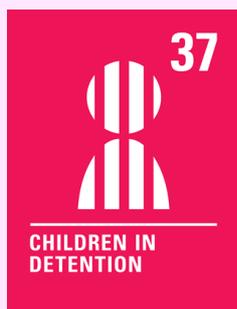
Holocaust Memorial Day is for everyone. Each year across the UK, thousands of people come together to learn more about the past and take action to create a safer future. We know they learn more, empathise more and do more.

Children & staff at Brindishe Schools discuss prejudice and discrimination that happen today and that have happened in the past as part of our school curriculum. We discuss how we 'speak up' and how we make everyone feel welcome in our schools.

Holocaust Memorial Day is promoted and supported by the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust.

Find out more: [www.hmd.org.uk](http://www.hmd.org.uk)

*Further information on Lewisham Events for HMD to follow.*





## ***Brindishe Weekly Online Safety Bulletin***

### **Instagram**

Is your child on Instagram?

**You should be over 13 years of age to set up an account.**

Instagram is used to post photos and videos. Users can also DM (direct message), send disappearing messages, add to their stories (these disappear after 24 hours) and broadcast live.

Instagram have now introduced new age verification software to help confirm the age of users. Any user who tries to change their age will have to upload an ID document or take a video selfie.

You can find out more here:

**<https://saferinternet.org.uk/blog/instagram-rolls-out-age-verification-for-users>**



### ***Key Federation Dates***

- Closing date for primary applications – Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022
- Half Term – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb
- Easter Holidays – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April to Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April – Children return to school for Summer Term
- **Primary offer day** – Monday 17 April 2023 (you will get an email in the evening telling you where your child has been offered a place)

### ***Governing Body Dates***

If you would like to attend a Brindishe Federation Governing Body meeting as an observer, please email our Chair, Liz Murphy - lizcmurphy@gmail.com

Spring 1	Brindishe Lee	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February 2023, 6pm
Spring 2	Brindishe Green	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2023, 6pm
Summer 1	Brindishe Manor	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2023, 6pm
Summer 2	Brindishe Lee	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2023, 6pm



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## ***SENIOR MIDDAY SUPERVISOR Brindishe Green***

Brindishe Green School, Beacon Road, London, SE13 6EH

**Salary: Scale 5 (Point 13 – 15) pro-rata**

**Hours: 17.5hours per week (typically starting at 11.00am- 2.30pm)**

**Term Time Only (39 weeks per year)**

**The post is part time and subject to a satisfactory 6 months' probation period**

We are currently recruiting for a Senior Midday Supervisor in Brindishe Green school on a permanent basis. The role will start in January 2023

Brindishe Green is a 3 form entry Lewisham Local Authority Primary School providing an exciting education for children aged 3 -11 years, we are a few stops from Charing Cross, Waterloo, London Bridge mainline station or a short walk from Lee or Lewisham station. Brindishe Green is one of 3 schools in the Brindishe federation and works closely with Brindishe Manor and Brindishe Lee

We are a very friendly team, working in a highly supportive environment where individual differences are welcome and teamwork is highly valued.

Our Federation of Brindishe schools respect and celebrate the rich, diverse community that surrounds us. We encourage individuality and ensure that children and staff are empowered to follow their own curiosity from whatever inspires them. We will discover how to become the best learners we can be, developing our knowledge, interests and needs through a diverse curriculum that allows us to follow our own learning journey. We will be: Committed; Collaborative; Confident; Curious; Compassionate.

At Brindishe, we nurture a culture of mutual respect, positivity and curiosity. This empowers our children to become champions of their own learning. We provide a platform for learners to recognise and regulate their wellbeing so they can be physically and mentally healthy and in a position to make the best progress they can.

Leaving the Federation, is leaving feeling valued, empowered and excited to be part of and contribute to a diverse world and to know how to continue to make a difference. We are looking for a committed and enthusiastic person who is looking for a job in which they can help make a difference to the lives of our children.

### **The post involves:**

- Working as part of a team of adults including teachers and other support staff to promote the learning and well-being of all pupils.
- To take overall responsibility for the supervision, health and safety and control of pupils during the midday break
- To deploy a team of midday supervisors to ensure effective cover both in the dining area and the play area.

As the role involves working with children, you will be required to undergo a full DBS check before being appointed to the post.

**Further Information can be found on the school website**

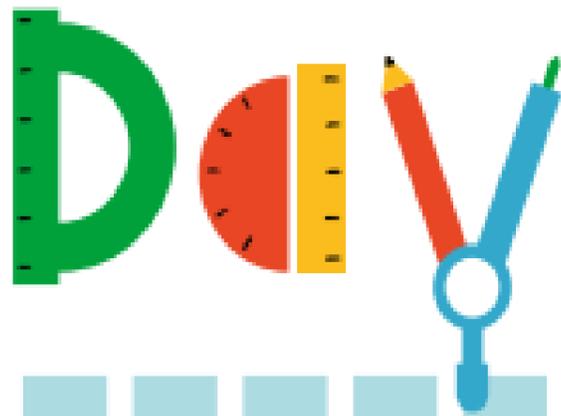
The deadline for completed applications is midday on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023**.

Interviews will be held shortly after closing date.

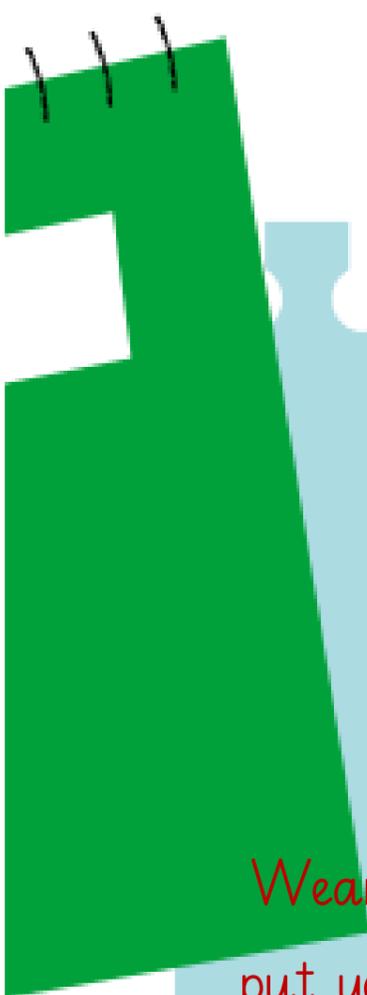
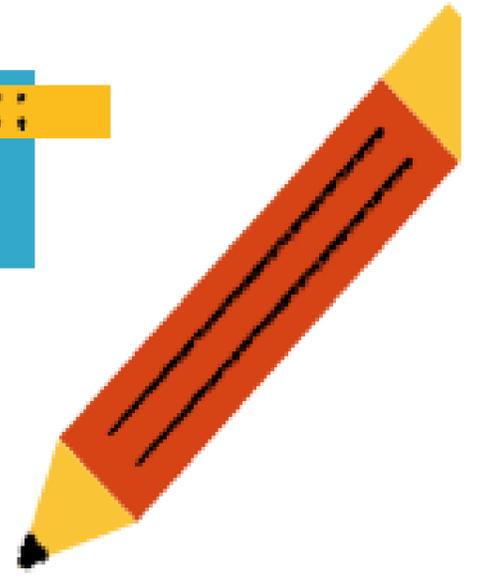
Completed application forms should be returned to [rwaite@brindisheschools.org](mailto:rwaite@brindisheschools.org)



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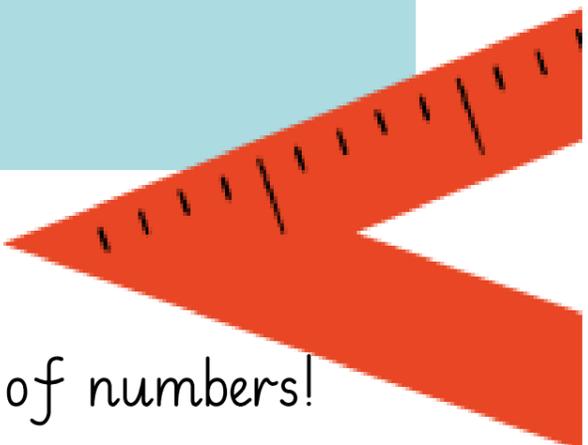


## Friday 3rd February

### Dress For Digits!

*Wear an item of clothing with a number on it or you could put your creative hats on and design a unique t-shirt, hat or even become a human-sized calculator or dice!*

Children will take part in mathematic activities giving them a chance to apply their skills to every day scenarios while having fun with their peers!



We are looking forward to a fun-filled day of numbers!