

Newsletter

Friday 22nd January 2024



Brindishe
Green

What has been happening this week?

Our Year 5 and 6 children took part in Consent workshops in which they learnt the importance of healthy relationships, personal space, listening to others and feeling confident to say 'no'.

On Wednesday, several children across the school met with representatives from Sumdog to test a prototype for a new game and to give feedback on their experience using Sumdog as a learning tool.

Also this week, every year group posted their Spring Term Newsletters on to Weduc. Please read through it so that you know what learning will be taking place in your child's class this term.

What is happening next week?

Next week, some of our Year 5 children will be taking part in a Bikeability course. During this time the children will learn the skills they need in order to be a safe cyclist on the roads.

On Thursday 25th, author Lisa Williamson will be visiting Years 4, 5 and 6.

Goodbye and Thank You

Today we say good bye and thank you to Ms Corean St Omer.

Ms Corean has worked closely with many of our staff, children and families during her time at Brindishe Green and we would like to thank her for all she has done. She has helped to ensure more and more children come to school on time each day, and that children are safe.

We wish her all the very best as she begins an exciting new job. We hope she will come back and visit us in the future.

Smartwatches and Jewellery

Please can we remind all children and parents/carers of our policy on jewellery: we do not allow jewellery in school, apart from religious items such as a crucifix or a Kara (Sikh bangle), and only close-fitting stud earrings, never hooped or dangly earrings.

We are seeing an increased number of children wearing smartwatches to school. As you know, there are many different versions which can do a variety of things (take photos, receive texts, count steps etc), and for safeguarding reasons, this is why we ask that children only wear a simple digital or analogue watch to school. Thank you for your support.

Young Artists' Summer Show

We have registered Brindishe Green for the Royal Academy of Arts, Young Artists' Summer Show.





If your child produces a piece of art for the competition at home, it can be uploaded on to the website. Submission date closes on 27th March 2024

[Click here for more information!](#)



TCS Mini London Marathon

Entries for the 2024 TCS Mini London Marathon are opening this month and, if you haven't already, you can register your interest in the event today - [Click here!](#)

-  Saturday 20th April
-  14,000 children and young people
-  One mile or 2.6K
-  Medal, and £10 to the school for every finisher



The event is **free to enter**, with more than 14,000 children and young people expected to run, jog, walk, or wheel one mile or 2.6K in the heart of the capital.

Small Games and Jigsaws

If you have any **games, card games or jigsaws** that your children no longer play with and are in a good condition, please consider donating them to the school so that they can be played during wet break and lunchtimes.

We are only looking for games with all the pieces and that have no broken parts please. Ideally they should be in their original box if possible, and have instructions included.

Please bring them to the school office, **labelled for Miss Campbell**, who will distribute them to different classes.

Thank you!



Something Wonderful to Celebrate

These children have been praised this week for their wonderful learning and behaviour in school.

E Penguin	Galliani & Maya
Cormorant	Keyon & Shiyanna
Shoebill	Stella & Edward
Macaw	Sol & Kemarley
Heron	Lincoln & Salih
Cassowary	Santiago & Maurice
Hornbill	Thelonious, Abi & Eli
Red Kite	Alessandro & Ernes
Puffin	Romilly, Milo & Diego
Magpie	Sona & Ehan
Hawk	Imisi & Abdullateef
Kingfisher	Daniel & Eliza
Woodpecker	Andy & Matilda
Parakeet	Ka'mye & Ben
Kestrel	Starlin & Corin
Swift	Sofia & Zarar
Little Owl	Asna & Olivia
Goldfinch	Apollo & Marlo

Attendance and Punctuality

Overall school attendance this week:	95.74%	
Top 5 classes with attendance over 95%:	Hummingbird (all day)	100%
	Cormorant	99.53%
	Macaw	99.14%
	Shoebill	98.99%
	Puffin & Robin	98.89%
A huge well done to <i>Hummingbird (all day)</i> class who had 100% attendance this week		
Top classes with all children in on time	No classes with all children in on time this week	

Important Dates in Jan and Feb

January 2024		February 2024	
Mon 8 th Jan	INSET Day – No school	Tues 6 th Feb 8.45 – 9.15 am	Open Classroom Years 1, 3, 5
Tues 9 th Jan	Start of Spring term	Thurs 8 th Feb 8.45 – 9.15 am	Open Classroom Years 2, 4, 6
		Mon 12 th – Fri 16 th Feb	Half Term



A message from the Brindishe Friends Group

MEETING - Please come along to the next BFG meeting on **Tuesday 23rd January between 4.30 - 6pm at the school**. We will be discussing fundraising plans for this term.

We'd love more people to help run events. Any questions do email us:
bfgsocials@gmail.com.

PIZZA NIGHT - The deadline for our next make-at-home pizza night is Saturday 3rd Feb, for collection from school on Friday 9th Feb. Each term we partner with Doughies and the BFG receives a proportion of each sale to help fund projects for the school. The link to order is here: <https://doughies.co.uk/products/brindishe-green> See the flyer below for more info.

*Dairy free, vegan alternative available.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA - Can't make the meeting? Then you can find out more about what we're up to by following us on social media: X: @bfghithergreen and Facebook (search ' Brindishe Friends Group').

FREE WEBINARS - As part of BFG's Parentkind membership, *all parents and carers* at the school have access to a free series of webinars. Topics include:

A Nutritionist's Guide to Dealing with Fussy Eating

Helping Your Child Achieve in School

How to Exercise More Without Really Trying

Keeping Your Child Safe Online

An Introduction to Autism

Supporting Your Child's Mental Health

Helping Your Child Succeed in KS1/2 English

You can find full details at <https://www.parentkind.org.uk/your-pta-expert/parent-webinars>

To sign up for a webinar you just need to enter the school postcode (SE13 6EH) and select Brindishe Green from the drop-down.