



# Brindishe Lee Newsletter

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Headteacher: Ms Maxine Sebire

Brindishe  
Lee

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been another busy but productive week at Brindishe Lee. The children have been busy immersing themselves with their learning, please refer to the *ItsLearning* platform to view photographs showcasing the children's learning. The children and staff have particularly enjoyed participating in the making of our virtual tour this week.

Please can we draw your attention to our weekly Covid Bulletin, which offers guidance and updates to ensure that everyone is kept informed and up-to-date.

Thank you for your continued support.

Have a restful weekend!

*Kind regards,*

*Ms Maxine Sebire.*

**Headteacher & the Brindishe Lee Team.**

## Anti-bullying Week

This week marked national anti-bullying week 2020. Children at Brindishe Lee spent time examining what makes someone turn to bullying and how bullies can be encouraged to change their behaviour. As part of the discussions, our '*Promoting Good Relationships*' policy (which can be found on our school website) was shared and children were reminded of the expectations in school and how they each tackle negative behaviour to ensure all children feel safe and happy coming to school.

For more information on how parents/carers can support with anti-bullying and help us to enable your child/children to '*speak up*' please go to the Anti-bullying Alliance website which can be found via the link below.

<https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/parents-and-carers>



### Christmas Jumper Day

Brindishe Lee will be holding Christmas Jumper Day on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December, so please come dressed in your most festive tops. There is no need to buy one especially for the day, instead try to decorate and upcycle an old jumper. Consider sustainability and being eco-friendly with your creations.

This year we will be supporting the local refuges in Lewisham (more information to follow).



### Festive News - Christmas is Coming!

This year things may be a little different, but we want to reassure all our children and families that we are doing **all we can** to make it a special time for everyone. The Christmas trees have been ordered, Chartwells are preparing a delicious Christmas dinner, the children are beginning to learn a special song to perform in our virtual concert, entitled 'A Brindishe Lee Christmas Card'. In addition to this, we have also planned an exciting online pantomime for classes to watch. Hopefully, this will add a little magic and sparkle to December!

### Online Safety Bulletin

#### Password Protection

As children begin to get their own devices and accounts, they need to know how to keep them safe using a strong password. The longer and more unusual your password is, the stronger it becomes and the harder it is to hack. The best way to make your password long and difficult to hack is by using a sequence of three random words you'll remember. You should also have different passwords for different accounts. Using the same one for everything, leaves you open to have every account hacked.

Test your passwords here: <https://www.security.org/how-secure-is-my-password/>

*See if you can beat Ms Lea whose password is at six hundred thousand years to hack!*

### Primary School Applications for 2021

Our virtual tour/promotional video was filmed this week which you will be able to view on our school website as soon as it is ready.

In the meantime, can we remind you that the application process for primary places for 2021 is now open.

- Applications are already open (apply online) - Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/>
- Closing date for applications is Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021 <https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/education/schools/school-admission/applying-to-start-primary-school>

### School Photograph Deadline

Thank you to those parents/carers who have already ordered school photographs. Please note, if you wish to receive your order by the end of term, orders need to be placed by **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November**.

### Dates for your Diary

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>** – Teacher/Parent Online Meetings  
**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> (note change of date)** - Reception Hearing and Vision Test  
**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November** – Deadline for photos to be ordered  
**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day (more info to follow)  
**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – End of term

## Winter Writing Competition – Reminder

Following on from last years successful writing competition, Mr Richardson has designed another for all children in Brindishe Lee to enter. He would like children to design a poster for a new pencil. This can be completed on paper or by using IT. We will collect all entries from the children following COVID procedures. All entries must be in **by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December**. One lucky winner in EYFS/KS1 and KS2 will receive a book token to the value of £10.00. Please refer to the information listed below.

Good luck and we look forward to your entries.

### Brindishe Lee writing competition



You have developed a new type of pencil and are going to market it to the British public.

You can create either a poster or a written advertisement to sell your product.



#### Things to consider:

- What is the name of your new pencil? Make it catchy!
- How are you going to persuade people to buy your product?
- What are the unique features of your pencil?
- What can your pencil do that makes it different to other pencils?
- How did you develop the idea for your pencil?
- Do you have any testimonials (expert reviews) that would add credibility to your claims?



Please make sure your entries include your name and your class.

The deadlines for entries is **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2020**. Please give your entries to your class teacher for the attention of Mr Richardson in Year 6.

There will be glittering prizes for the best entries!