

Brindishe Green School

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Dear parents, carers, staff, governors and friends at Brindishe Green,

The spring term is now in full swing and, although the weather is up and down, all the schools have had a fantastic start. During our January INSET, the Federation were lucky enough to come together to continue to strengthen our vision and values for the schools and further develop the curriculum. We will be communicating aspects of these to you over the coming weeks.

Towards the end of the autumn term we also spent time further developing our mental health and well-being team. Our provision now includes all staff being trained to support children at a class based level, a trained ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) in each school to support children on a one-to-one and group level and we have been lucky enough to have a trained counsellor join our Federation for 4 days a week. Further information regarding this provision will be made available to you, showing our commitment to every child and family's health and well-being, something that is very important to us all.

Have a lovely weekend,

Rachel Waite
Executive Head

It's been a cold week outside and we have been reminding the children to dress warmly. Please help by making sure your child has plenty of layers in this cold weather and that all clothing (including hats, gloves and scarves) is labelled.

Y5 and Y6 basketball team entered their tournament yesterday and were crowned top of the borough once again, winning against 29 other Lewisham schools! This means that they will be invited to take part in the London Youth Games later this year, representing Lewisham, which is another fantastic accolade for the school. Well done to all the children involved.

Mid-term Review meetings Y1 – Y6 from 10 – 14 February

Don't forget to book a mid-term review meeting with your child's class teacher. Booking on Arbor's Parent Portal **closes at midnight on Sunday 2nd February.**

May Bank Holiday reminder

Please note that, for this year, the 2020 early May Bank Holiday has been moved back by four days across the UK to coincide with the 75th anniversary of VE Day. It will be on **Friday 8 May 2020.**

Food Bank for AFRIL (Action for Refugees in Lewisham)

Please help us with this term's collection for AFRIL by donating tinned fruit and vegetables, especially tinned tomatoes. You can drop off your donations to the box in the foyer.



Headteacher: Gerlinde Achenbach Executive Head: Rachel Waite Chair of Governors: Lindsay Dale

In partnership with Brindishe Lee and Brindishe Manor Schools

Attendance and Punctuality this week

Best **attendance** from Ash, Magnolia and Chestnut 2

Equal best **punctuality** from 7 classes this week: Willow, Banyan, Mangrove, Maple, Palm, Lilac, Chestnut 2! Well done to you all.

Diary dates

30 Jan Chinese New Year themed lunch

4 Feb Y3/4 Football competition

4 Feb Nursery Family Outing

4 Feb BFG (Brindishe Friends Group) meets in the school hall 6-7pm

6 Feb 5pm Workshop on supporting young children with maths (Nursery/Reception)

12 Feb 6pm Full Governing Body meeting at Brindishe Manor School, Leahurst Road – let us know if you would like to attend as an observer and we will arrange seating for you.

13 Feb Y5/6 athletics team to London Youth Games

10-14 Feb Mid term review meetings

17-21 Feb Half term

It's Chinese New Year this weekend – Happy New Year if you are celebrating!

Best wishes,

Gerlinde Achenbach
Headteacher