



Brindishe
Manor

Newsletter

23rd June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another week of wonderful weather and the children and staff have continued to learn whilst mentioning how hot it is! Our Year 1 children had a great time at the Church of the Good Shepherd and our Reception children visited Sainsbury's. We also had a fantastic time at the World Food Evening – thank you to everyone who attended, the PSFA for organising and in particular to all those who brought a dish. This will be an annual event so if you missed it this time, start looking through your family recipes for next time!

Our survey

Thank you so much if you filled in the survey about things that are working well and things that need improving. We will try and communicate something that has been communicated to us by parents/carers and how we are going to improve it in the newsletters in the coming weeks. Several families have said that it would be good to have more notice of school events and so we are working on a timetable of the year that will be sent out in September. If you do want to talk to us, please use the methods below:

Communicating with school

There are several ways that you can communicate with us at school. If you collect your child/ren at the end of the day, you can ask your child/ren's class teacher any questions that you may have. On Mondays and Wednesdays, the staff have meetings from 3:30pm so they may be more limited for time on these days. Teachers may ask to arrange a more convenient time with you.

You can also speak to a member of SLT: Kate Porter, Julie Hockham, Charlotte Dougan or our Inclusion Lead Gemma Caller on the school gate.

You can email info@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk and your email will be sent on to the appropriate person. We ask you not to email teachers directly because they are busy teaching throughout the day and cannot always get back to you! Although we officially have 10 days to reply to emails, we will always aim to get back to you as soon as we can.

Sports Days

For each of the Sports Days we will require a number of parents on hand to support with walking the children to and from the event. Please also bring along a packed lunch to enjoy with the children before we return to school. Please can you email the school office on info@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk if you are able to support your child's class by walking to and from the sports day

The dates are:

Thursday 29th June – Year 3 and 4 children at Ladywell Fields for Tri-School Sports Day

Thursday 6th July – Year 5 and 6 sports day at Ladywell Fields for Tri-School Sports Day

Tuesday 11th July – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Day at Manor House Gardens

World Food Night Sangria

Wasn't World Food Night great? I'm looking forward to next year already. Muchas gracias to my language leaders for their help and for making the delicious sangria fruit punch with me!

Lots of people asked for the recipe so here it is:

Language Leaders Secret Sangria Recipe

- *3 cups of grape juice (we used KA Still Black Grape)*
- *1.5 cups of cranberry juice or orange juice*
- *1.5 cups of sparkling water*
- *2 cups of chopped fruit (we used grapes, strawberries and orange slices)*
- *ice*
- *mint to garnish*

Add all the ingredients except the water and the ice to a jug and chill in the fridge for at least an hour – the longer the better! Then add the water and ice and serve with a mint garnish.

¡Disfrutar! ☺
Ms Groothues

Change of clothes

If you have any spare clothes that your children have grown out of, we need donations of clothes for Nursery – Year 1 children who have had an accident at school and need to be changed in to a clean set. Please take them to the office if you have any. Thank you!

Transition arrangements for end of the year

In 2-3 weeks' time, the children will begin their transition towards the end of the year and for the start of their new year. We run several sessions with their new teachers and several activities so that the children have a good understanding of who their teachers will be, where their classroom will be located and what they will be learning about in the first half term.

The children will be told their new class teachers and will come home with an information sheet for you to see. This year the transition sessions will happen on:

Wednesday 12th July – PM

Tuesday 18th July – AM

Wednesday 19th July – Children can be dropped at their new classrooms on arrival.

Key Dates:

Thursday 29th June

Monday 3rd July

Thursday 6th July

Tuesday 11th July

Y3/4 Sports Day

Inset Day, no school for children

Y5/6 Sports Day

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Day

Wednesday 11th July
Tuesday 18th July
Wednesday 19th July
Friday 21st July

First transition session for children
Second transition session for children
Final transition session for children
Last day of the school year

We hope you have a lovely weekend,

The team at Brindishe Manor



SUNDAY 9TH
JULY
12pm-3pm

SUMMER FAIR



IT'S BACK!!

The BM summer fair will hopefully return for the first time since 2019 but the PSFA needs another **50 volunteers** to make it happen.

If you can **volunteer an hour of your time** between 12 & 3 on Sunday 9th July to run a stall, serve some refreshments or do some face paints etc, please email brindishemanorpsfa@gmail.com, speak to a member of the PSFA or there is a sign up sheet at the school office. **Thank you!**

Thank you to everyone who came to **World Food Night**. It was such a lovely evening with really delicious food shared and great Spanish activities.



Thank you to everyone who has dropped off tombola donations to the office so far. We need:

- **NEW** gifts, gift sets, wine etc
- Preloved soft toys

As the 7th July is now due to be a strike day, the sponsored activity day will be rescheduled for the Autumn term.

Brindishe Manor PSFA (1117178)
(Parents, Staff and Friends Association)



BRINDISHE MANOR PSFA

SUMMER FAIR

SUNDAY, 9TH JULY

12-3PM

FREE
ADMISSION

BOUNCY CASTLE SING-A-LONG SALLY RAFFLE
GAMES TOMBOLA FACE PAINTING ARTS & CRAFTS
BBQ BAR REFRESHMENTS & MORE



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Brindishe Federation Newsletter

Friday 23rd June 2023

WINDRUSH 75th Anniversary

Yesterday marked the 75th anniversary of the HMT Empire Windrush arriving at Tilbury Docks in Essex, from Jamaica on 22 June 1948. Windrush Day celebrates the contribution and achievements of the Windrush generation and their descendants and is a major opportunity to come together and celebrate this shared history. This is an important moment in British history. [Windrush75](#) has information about a host of events for people to 'come together to celebrate four generations of contribution, legacy, struggle and positive change'. There are listings for [local Windrush Day events](#) on the Council website.



Brindishe Weekly Online Safety Bulletin

Tackling Online Hate

One way in which we can tackle online hate is ensuring our children learn about what it is and how they can stop it. Internet Matters have created a quiz that you can complete with your child.

As you progress through the questions, you will be given advice as well as questions to discuss and help you have a conversation with your child.

The quiz is available here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/theonlinetogetherproject/tackling-online-hate-quiz/>





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Rights Respecting at Brindishe Schools – Article of the week

Article 45

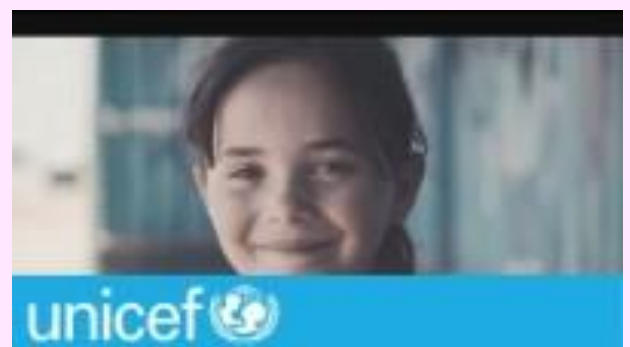
UNICEF can provide expert advice and assistance on children's rights.

In what different ways does UNICEF help children around the world?

UNICEF...

- helps governments make sure that all children have an education
- supports communities to have access to clean water and nutritious food
- helps to support good health care systems in lower income countries
- distributes vaccines to protect children from a wide range of diseases and infections
- works to make child protection stronger where countries or organisations need help with this
- helps governments all around the world to look at how children's rights are being met and helps them improve the situation for children
- provides help for children when there is an emergency situation such as an earthquake, hurricane or tsunami
- provides help for children if there is a war to make sure children are looked after
- supports refugee families in a variety of ways
- works within the United Nations and with governments and civil society to make sure children's lives and views are visible and taken into account
- in the UK promotes children's rights through the Baby Friendly Initiative, Rights Respecting Schools Award and Child Friendly Cities and Communities programme
- in the UK and other high income countries it raises funds to support UNICEF's work around the world
- speaks to politician and decision makers to protect and promote children's rights

Watch [this video](#) to find out about UNICEF's work on education. Could you discuss at home with your child what the stories have in common?





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June is PRIDE MONTH

June is Pride Month. Find out what's happening in Lewisham to mark it.

Lewisham is incredibly proud to be the home of diverse LGBTQIA+ communities.

Lewisham at London Pride 2023

Lewisham Council will be marching in the London Parade on 1 July. All are invited to come and support us as we take to the streets of Central London. For further information, visit the [London Pride Website](#)



Key Federation Dates

- Brindishe Schools INSET DAY – Monday 3rd July
- NEU Strike Days – Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July
- End of Term – Friday 21st July 2023

Governing Body Dates

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

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Thursday 13th July 2023, 6pm