



9th June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Science Week – We have had a fabulous week in school celebrating science week. Well done to everyone who got involved and was busy over half term planning and creating their designs.

Mrs Phillips, our Science Leader writes: I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who took part in this year's Science Week. It has been lovely seeing all of the weird and wonderful creations that the children have been busy working on. Throughout the school, I have seen a real enthusiasm for science and the children have particularly enjoyed taking part in their class heats. I would also like to say a huge thank you to Reema Hooks who presented some eggsellent assemblies for us. If you like to see an example of one of the demonstrations please follow this link.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X1bz9SuiCAc>

The winners for Year 1 & 2 and Years 3 & 4:

Years 1/ 2

Successful- Shaisana and Arthur

Original- Bertie

Effort- Colin

Years 3/ 4

Successful- Alex

Original- Caleb

Effort- Martha

Year 5 & 6 finals happened this afternoon and so the winners will be told on Monday and put in the newsletter next week.

Sports Days

We apologise for the delay in getting these dates to you, Ms Coupe, our Sports Lead, has had real difficulty with getting confirmation from the venues that we usually use. We are now really pleased to share the dates with you and hope that you can make it!

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 Park

For each of the Sports Days we will require a number of parents/carers 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. If you can attend to support your child's class then please let your class teacher or the office know.

Parent/Carers Survey

Today is the deadline for the parent/carers survey. Thank you to all the people who have already replied. We would love you to tell us the positives about the school and what else we can work on if you haven't already done so. Click here for the link to give us your opinion:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/B8RZDQZ>

World Food Night

Please see the poster from the PSFA with the details of our always popular World Food Night, which is being held on Thursday 22nd June from 5-6:30pm in our main hall. The event is free, juts bring along a dish, a side dish, or snacks for everyone to share and then tuck in and share what else is on offer. Ms Groothues will have some Spanish activities for you to try and some Spanish phrases for you to learn.

We are really looking forward to seeing you there.



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.

They will then have 3 opportunities to visit their new classroom and teacher and one session includes arriving at the start of the day and going straight to their new classroom. We feel that works really well for children and eases any worries about where they will be going in September.

For our reception families we will be in touch next week with information around how we support the children with their move to Year 1.

Key Dates:

Thursday 22 nd June	World Food night from 5pm – Free
Thursday 29 th June	Y3/4 Sports Day
Monday 3 rd July	Inset Day, no school for children
Thursday 6 th July	Y5/6 Sports Day
Friday 7 th July	Fundraising sporting event from PSFA
Tuesday 11 th July	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Day
Friday 21 st July	Last day of the school year

We hope you have a lovely sunny weekend,

Kate and the team at Brindishe Manor



THE PSFA AT
BRINDISHE MANOR
PRESENT

World Food Night



**Bring along a dish to share, if
you can, and experience food
from other cultures, crafts,
activities and more.....**

**THURSDAY 22ND JUNE
5PM - 6.30PM
FREE EVENT**





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Brindishe Federation Newsletter

Friday 9th June 2023

Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge is coming to Lewisham libraries. This is a great opportunity for children to come to their local library in the holidays, join and complete the challenge which this year is called "**Ready, Set, Read**" encouraging children to carry on reading in the holidays. All children have to do is sign up at their nearest library, read 6 books collecting prizes along the way. Children who complete get a medal and a certificate presented in school. The reading challenge launches on **Saturday July 8th** and children can sign up at their local library. Libraries are also running many activities for children during the holidays and details will be posted on our website: libraries.lewisham.gov.uk

More information can be found at <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk>



Brindishe Weekly Online Safety Bulletin

What's in the news?

Children may come across news that upsets them, worries them, or makes them feel anxious. Newsround have produced this article which you can share and read with your child providing them with tips about what to do if they are feeling sad about the news:

[Advice if you're upset by the news - BBC Newsround](#)

Real or Fake?

A lot of children see or hear news updates from social media or via friends so it's important that we talk to them about fake news and provide them with the skills to help them distinguish between real or fake news. So how do we get them to critically think about what they are reading? Here are some tips:

Check the source (who wrote it).

- When was it written? Is it based on an old story?
- Is it on a reputable news site, for example Newsround?
- You can also use 'fact checker' sites such as <https://fullfact.org/> to see if the news item has already been fact checked and linked to a credible source.

Further information

[How to talk to your kids about fake news - BBC Bitesize](#)

[Fake news guide for parents | Resources - Internet Matters](#)



Rights Respecting at Brindishe Schools – Article of the week

Article 10 (family reunification)

Governments must respond quickly and sympathetically if a child or their parents apply to live together in the same country. If a child's parents live apart in different countries, the child has the right to visit and keep in contact with both of them.

Article 22 (refugee children)

If a child is seeking refuge or has refugee status, governments must provide them with appropriate protection and assistance to help them enjoy all the rights in the Convention. Governments must help refugee children who are separated from their parents to be reunited with them.

World Refugee Day

World Refugee Day is an international day designated by the United Nations to honour refugees around the globe.

It falls each year on June 20 and celebrates the strength and courage of people who have been forced to flee their home country to escape conflict or persecution.

'Refugee Week' occurs at the same time as World Refugee Day and is a UK-wide festival celebrating the contributions, creativity and resilience of refugees and people seeking sanctuary.

What events may lead to children and their families becoming refugees?

- Natural disasters like floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, tsunamis, volcanic activity, snow storms or bushfires.
- Drought or famine which leads to lack of food and water.
- War and conflict.
- Climate change. Changes in weather may affect children's access to food, water and education.
- Discrimination around race, religious beliefs, sex, nationality, or political beliefs.
- Civil unrest in a country making people feel unsafe.
- Poverty or loss of income.
- Family disputes or problems.

Paddington Bear was a refugee. [Read some of his story](#) at home with your child or watch the Paddington film and then discuss how you think Paddington felt when he was in the lifeboat after leaving Aunt Lucy in Peru or how he felt being at the train station on his own. How do you think he felt when he met the Brown family?





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Key Federation Dates

- Year 4 Multiplication window opens Monday 12th June until Friday 23rd June
- Phonics Screening Week Year 1 – Monday 12th June – Friday 16th June.
- Brindishe Schools INSET DAY – Monday 3rd 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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Brindishe Manor

Thursday 13th July 2023, 6pm