



Brindishe Lee Newsletter

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This week at Brindishe Lee...

It has been a busy week at Brindishe Lee. On Thursday, our Y3 and Y4 basketball team took part in a tournament which, disappointingly for the children, had to be cancelled half way through due to problems with the site. They hope to reschedule the day later on. On Friday, the year 2 children went to visit the Victorian Ragged museum. Their attire was something to behold and they had a wonderful time. I hear that they were all very well behaved and fitted in to the Victorian classroom! As always, a big 'thank you' to the teachers and parents/carers for making this a special day for the children.

A message from the F@B team...

We are looking to organise another F@B 'Gardening' morning on Saturday 8th February. The parents and carers did a fantastic job during the autumn term and we are looking for some keen gardeners to help out again. Please let a member of the school office or F@B team know if you are able to help out on the morning. Thank you.

Term dates....

Term dates for next year, 2020 / 2021, are on our website to help you to plan your holidays outside term time.

Please note for this year that 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**.

Meet the Teacher meetings Y1 – Y6 from 10 – 14 February

In a few weeks, we will be holding meetings with parents and carers of children in Ys 1 – 6 to look at each child's learning and progress so far this year. These meetings will take place during the week beginning 10th February. There will be an opportunity to look at books and learning at these meetings – we know the teachers will be pleased to show you all your child's learning. Booking on Arbor's Parent Portal will open at 2.00pm on the 20th January and will **close at midnight on Monday 3rd February**. Please make sure you sign up for a slot before the portal closes. If you have any questions, then please ask either myself or Ms Matthews.

Reading volunteers...

We are once again on the look out for parents or carers who would like to listen to some of our children read. Please contact me if you are able to give up an hour or two each week to support our children.

A message from our Rights Respecting Team...

We are still on the look out for parents and carers to join our rights respecting team. Please speak to Ms Hearne, Mr Baguley or a member of the office team.

Rights Respecting focus... Article 13 (freedom of expression)

One aspect of rights respecting that we endeavour to promote as a school, is that every child must be free to express their thoughts and opinions and to access all kinds of information, as long as it is within the law.

A plea from year 1...

If you have any spare cardboard boxes etc for junk modelling, we would love to have it! Also, if you have any unwanted dressing up/role play costumes for children, especially 'Super heroes' characters we would welcome it with open arms!

Online Safety message...

Do you know your child's favourite YouTuber?

So many children love the mini-series, vlogs and updates available on YouTube, but it is recommended by YouTube that children access its content through YouTube Kids. The suggested age restriction for accessing media on this site is 4+. The site uses algorithms to filter content from its mother site, however, as this is done digitally rather than manually, sometimes inappropriate content and targeted adverts can still sometimes slip through. The app also gives you the option to limit search functions and restrict it to

videos and channels you would like them to see.

Fantastic attendance this week!

Key stage 1: Year 2 Sycamore
99.63%

Key stage 2: Year 6 Cherry
98.08%

Well done to these classes! Please remember that we are always aiming for your child to be in school every day of the week.

We are looking to achieve over 99% attendance very soon! Please help us by making sure your child is at school every day.

Reminder please...

Could I please remind all parents and carers not to use their mobile phone whilst on the school grounds. We ask all children to hand in their mobile phones at the school office each day and we therefore expect all members of the school community to avoid using their own. Thank you!

Music Lessons...

There are currently spaces available for Flute, Clarinet and Violin. Please see the school office to register your interest.

Dates for your diary...

Thursday 23rd January – year 5 and 6 girls football tournament

Friday 24th January – Choir starts

Tuesday 28th January – year 3 visit to the Horniman museum

Thursday 30th January – Year 1 visit to the Science Museum

Wednesday 12th Feb 6pm Full Governing Body meeting at

Brindishe Manor School. Leahurst Road. Please let us know if you would like to attend as an observer and we will arrange seating for you.

10-14 Feb Mid-term review meetings

17-21 Feb Half term

Have a lovely week,
James Baguley
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