

# Newsletter

Friday 19th April 2024



Brindishe  
Green

## What has been happening this week?

Welcome back to all our children, staff and families after the Spring Break. We hope you all had the opportunity to recharge and enjoy time with your friends and families. We hope our Muslim families had a wonderful time celebrating Eid and our Christian families enjoyed Easter. The summer term is a particularly busy one with national assessments, report writing, Sports Days, the Summer Fair, performances and preparing our children, especially Year 6, for September. Let's hope the days get warmer and sunnier very quickly.

This week in school our Year 1 and 2 children enjoyed a fantastic Circus workshop. We didn't know we had so many talented acrobats and performers.

## What is happening next week?

Next week we will welcome a group of school senior leaders from Challenge Partners who are coming to find out about the wonderful work we do at Brindishe Green. They will talk to staff, visit classrooms and meet with children from across the school. We are looking forward to sharing with you their thoughts next week.

## Welcome Michele Barrett!

We are delighted to let you know that before the break we appointed a new Family Support Lead. Michele Barrett joined the team on Monday and has been working closely with different members of staff to learn how our school runs.

Ms Barrett is here to support parents/carers, promote good punctuality and attendance and ensure that all our children are kept safe. She will be getting to know lots of you over the coming weeks and months and we hope that you will all make her feel very welcome.

**Please say hello to her on the gate when you see her.**



## Message from Ms Barrett...

I am looking forward to working with the families and children at Brindishe Green. You will see me at the start and the end of the day. Please feel free to contact me at [MiBarrett@brindisheschools.org](mailto:MiBarrett@brindisheschools.org) or telephone 0208-852-7245 Ext: 223 😊

## Starting Reception in September

This week families across England found out what primary school their child has been allocated if they are due to start Reception in September.



**Please can we remind all our families to ensure they accept the place of the school they have been given as soon as possible.**

If you have not been allocated your first place, you will stay on their waiting list, even if you have accepted the offer. Please do not decline and be left without a school for your child.

## London Mini Marathon 2024

We are delighted to let you know that on Saturday we have 40 children running the London Mini Marathon. 20 children will be running the 1 mile race with their parent and 20 children will be running 2.6km race. The school will receive £10 for every child who finishes the race to spend on sports equipment.

This is the first time we have applied and been allocated places and we are thrilled that so many families wanted to take part. We can't wait to hear how they get on!

## This Sunday...run Mr Twyford, Run!

As you know, Mr Twyford is running the London Marathon this weekend! He is running to raise money for new books and stories for our children!

If you would like to sponsor him, please click on the link and you will be taken to his Crowdfunding page! [Click here!](#) **If everyone donates just £1 this weekend, we will have raised over £1,000!**

**So far he has raised a fantastic £808! Thank you to everyone who has already donated!**

### A Message from Mr Twyford...

Hi everyone! In 2 days I will be attempting to run/crawl the London Marathon to raise money for our school. We will be putting the money towards books and texts for all year groups, so any donations are hugely appreciated. Thank you so much to everyone who has donated so far and hopefully I will see some familiar faces on Sunday.



## Playground Equipment

Please may we remind all parents/carers that any item of equipment in any Brindishe School playground is strictly for use by Brindishe school children **during the school day only** - breaktimes and lunchtimes - when they are supervised.

Younger children (below school age) who may drop off or collect their siblings are not permitted to climb or play on any equipment. Each school has robust risk assessments in place that allows our school children to play safely. These do not extend to children not attending school. Thank you for your support.

## Ten Green Bottles...

There are lots of reusable water bottles in the front foyer window without a name. Some are really lovely! If your child is missing a bottle please come and collect it on Monday as after after this they will be discarded.

## Key Federation Dates

- Spring Bank Holiday - **Monday 6th May**
- Year 6 SATS week - **Monday 13th May to Thursday 16th May**
- May Half Term - **Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May**
- INSET Day - schools closed to all children - **Monday 1st July**
- End of Term - **Thursday 25th July 2024**

## Something Wonderful to Celebrate

These children have been praised this week for their wonderful learning and behaviour in school.

E Penguin	Chiraz & Gniewko
Cormorant	Christian & Vittorio
Shoebill	Malcolm & Emmanuel
Macaw	Joseph & Alex
Heron	Heron Class & Jacob
Cassowary	Cade & Alex
Hornbill	Harrison & Caroline
Red Kite	Ernes & Lina
Puffin	Milo & Abdul
Magpie	Chloe & Albie
Hawk	Romeo & Rafael
Kingfisher	Daniel & Khalid
Woodpecker	Olivia & Sebastian
Parakeet	Francis & Kiana
Kestrel	Jessie-John & Zak
Swift	Daniel & Finn
Little Owl	Lilly & Kanish
Goldfinch	Maddie & Aydan



## Attendance and Punctuality

<b>Overall school attendance this week:</b>	95%	
<b>Top classes with attendance over 95%</b>	Goldfinch	98%
A huge well done to Goldfinch, Kestrel, Hornbill and Macaw class who had 98% attendance this week.	Kestrel	98%
	Hornbill	98%
	Macaw	98%
	Emperor-Penguin	97%
<b>Top classes with all children in on time:</b>	Shoebill and Cormorant Huge well done to them 😊	

## Some Important Dates - Summer Term

May 2024		June 2024		July 2024	
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday	Wk beg 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics check	1 <sup>st</sup> July	INSET Day – school closed to children
Wk beg – 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs week	June	Year 4 Multiplication check	<b>Year Group Performance - 9.10am</b> Year 1 – Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> Year 2 – Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> Year 3 – Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> Year 4 – Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> Year 5 – Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>	
May/June	Year 2 assessment months	<b>Sports Days</b> 17 <sup>th</sup> June - Rec – Playground 18 <sup>th</sup> June - Year 1 – Playground 19 <sup>th</sup> June - Year 2 – Playground 20 <sup>th</sup> June - Year 3 – Venue TBC 6 <sup>th</sup> June - Year 4/ 5 / 6 – Ladywell Arena		<b>Year 6 transition events</b> Performance – Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> July Festival – Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> July	
Wk beg	School photographs			Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of school
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Half Term			Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer holidays



## A message from the Brindishe Friends Group

**MORE PLACES TO RUN THE BIG HALF!** - We have been given some extra places for The Big Half on Sunday 1st September. It's a 13.1 mile course, starting at Tower Bridge and weaving through London to the Cutty Sark in Greenwich. Please email us if you are interested in taking part: [bfgsocials@gmail.com](mailto:bfgsocials@gmail.com). We can help suggest training routes and put you in touch with the other runners from Brindishe Green. There is a £15 entry fee and then a £10 donation but no minimum fundraising target. Here's more info about the event:  
<https://www.thebighalf.co.uk/>.

**SIGN UP TO EASYFUNDRAISING TO HELP US RAISE MONEY** – Over 7,000 retailers will donate to BFG when you use easyfundraising to shop with them. You can even book your holidays through it - all the big names are signed up from Tui, Booking.com to British Airways etc.

**Big purchases like this can really make a difference to the school**, helping the BFG put on events, provide equipment and put together starters and leavers gifts. It's totally free to use – you just need to download easyfundraising onto a desktop computer or laptop - there is also an app - and sign up. We've already collected hundreds of pounds this way!

<https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/brindishefriendsgroup/>

**RAFFLE PRIZES** – We are starting to collect raffle prizes for the Summer Fair in July. If you own or work for a local business, and would like to help support the community by providing a prize, we would love to hear from you! Please do get in touch: [bfgsocials@gmail.com](mailto:bfgsocials@gmail.com)