



Brindishe  
Federation

## Brindishe Lee Newsletter

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Dear families, staff and governors,

We have reached the end of another week and the end of a very busy half-term!

Year 2 pupils have been sitting their KS1 SATs over the past 2 weeks – they have been very focused and all tried their best. Well done Year 2!

On Thursday we had a Spanish fiesta, where children across the whole school had created a Spanish themed display that linked with their learning.

Art work in year 6 was based on work by the Cuban artist Wilfredo Lam, in Year 4 they were inspired by the Columbian artist Camila Quintero, Year 3 and Reception both took their creativity from the Spanish artist Pablo Picasso. Year 5's pottery was based on the Mayan culture. It was very impressive! Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 learned Spanish songs about greetings, colours and days of the week which they shared in a video with us – really lovely. The Brindishe Lee Salsa dancers performed to a captive audience who were enjoying some tasty tapas, thanks to F@B. To end the evening our Salsa dancers gave impromptu lessons, which was enjoyed by all!

Wishing you all a wonderful half-term break,  
The Brindishe Lee team.

### ***Half-Term Holiday Vouchers***

We can now confirm that London Borough of Lewisham will use a further allocation of the 'Household Support Fund' to support families with FSM eligible children by providing vouchers for the half term. The available funding means Lewisham can assist these families at a rate of £15 per eligible child.

If you are entitled to Free School meals, you will have **NOW** received an email with a code for your half termly voucher of £15 per child.

### ***Key Dates***

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| • Half Term                             | Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June  |
| • Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check    | Monday 5th June – Friday 9th June   |
| • Year 5 Swimming                       | Monday 5th June – Friday 16th June  |
| • Welcome Meeting New Reception Parents | Thursday 8th June                   |
| • Phonics Screening Week Year 1         | Monday 12th June – Friday 16th June |
| • Open door                             | Thursday 15th June                  |
| • Brindishe Schools INSET DAY           | Monday 3rd July                     |
| • Brindishe Lee Summer Fair             | Saturday 8th July                   |
| • End of Summer Term                    | Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July        |



### ***Governing Body Dates***

If you would like to attend a Brindishe Federation Governing Body meeting as an observer, please email the school office.

Summer 2

Brindishe Manor

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2023, 6pm

### ***Message from Parent Governors: Look Out for Your Parent/Carer Survey***

Since our election, as well as learning lots rapidly and attending governors meetings, we have spent time in all 3 Brindishe Schools seeing the great work of your children, their teachers and all the support staff. We've also had chance to see some of you at school shows and events - so do look out for us and say hello (our photos are on the Brindishe website) at those events coming up in the final half-term of the year as we're keen to hear from you. Another great way to share your thoughts is through the federation's annual survey.

After half term, the school will be sending you a link for a Parent/Carer Survey which we would like you to complete during the week 5-12th June. Your views and comments are very important to each school and the federation as we want to know what we are doing right, and what you think we could improve upon. We hope as many of you as possible will take just 10 minutes to complete this important survey. Do tell fellow parents and carers who may not read the newsletters, and if anyone needs help completing the survey or for it to be translated then the school will be delighted to assist.

Enjoy the half-term holiday,

***Adrian and Claire***

### ***'Take' event this summer half term!***

Lewisham are organising a 'Take' Event for children in Lewisham. The event is like a 'Give and Take' event but in this instance, you do not need to donate anything. There will be lots of items to choose from including new and excellent quality preloved toys and books.

It will take place on Thursday 1 June 1pm-4 pm at Athelney Primary School Hall.

Some restrictions may apply to ensure that all children and visitors are able to leave with something. There is no need to book, just turn up!

### ***Brindishe Weekly Online Safety Bulletin***

#### **Emergency SOS calls**



You can set up emergency SOS calls on your iPhone/Android, so it calls the emergency services even when your phone is locked. Here's how to set it up:

#### ***iPhone***

At the same time, press and hold the side button and either volume button until the sliders appear. Once the countdown on Emergency SOS ends, release the buttons. You can also enable iPhone to start Emergency SOS when you press the side button five times.

#### ***Android***

Press the power button five times or more. A five-second countdown begins before emergency services are called.



## ***Rights Respecting at Brindishe Schools – Article of the week***

### **Article 15 - Freedom of Association**

Every child has the right to meet with other children and to join groups and organisations, as long as this does not stop other people from enjoying their rights. Article 15 is about the right of association which is having the opportunity to gather with others for different purposes.

Why is important that young people should have the opportunity to meet, spend time together and share ideas?

Joining groups or organisations can help us learn more about different issues.

Meeting others helps us develop new skills: how to resolve issues, find ways to compromise, share, encourage, show support and empathy.

It helps us to learn from and mix with a range of other people.

We can learn a lot from other children and young people that helps to form our views and opinions about different things.

By being with other people, we learn more about ourselves.

People can be stronger together.

Joining together as a group, we can bring about change.

Young people have a right to participate and to be listened to and be heard.

If your child belongs to a few different clubs and/or groups – what's the difference between them? Are some just for fun? Do others help them to learn new skills? Do others help to make a difference or change something in your school or local community?

Take some time with your child to think about time with others.

Why is it good to meet up?

What's important about belonging?

How can you help to make others feel that they are welcome and really belong to groups you are part of?

How can you show appreciation for what others bring to groups you are in?

Who are the duty bearers who help to make your groups happen? How could you thank them?



## ***Looking for a nursery place for your child? Or know someone who is?***

**Find one at Brindishe Manor or Brindishe Green!**

- both Ofsted-rated 'outstanding' schools

Brindishe Manor and Brindishe Green have **part-time and full-time** nursery places for children aged 3 and 4 years from September 2023.

[Visit our school website to find an application form and further information.](#)