



Friday 28th April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

The sunshine is still refusing to show its face, but we are seeing some of our wonderful trees and flowers showing us their beautiful colours and faces this week. Our children are really enjoying planting seeds and helping our plants to grow. Our children in Nursery and Reception have particularly enjoyed getting into our planting beds this week and learning lots about life cycles and how things grow.

If you are able to '*donate a plant*' to our playground we would really welcome your contributions. We would love to have some more climbing plants, shrubs, lavender and anything else that would be suitable for flower beds. I know that the children would also love to be the ones to plant them, so if you have a donation, please place it in our donations box which we will leave outside of the office area over the course of next week.



Planned Strike Action by the NEU

Please see the information below regarding the NEU strike action for teachers, which takes place again next week.

Across all three schools, a number of our staff are NEU members and will be striking on the following day:

- Tuesday 2nd May

**Please note that this list only contains dates that apply to our school*

The classes that will remain **OPEN** on **Tuesday 2nd May**

Donaldson class	Nursery
Latimer class	Mr Jones
Turing class	Mrs Sanders

All other classes will be closed on Tuesday 2nd May



BRINDISHE MANOR PSFA

CORONATION

GET

TOGETHER

FRIDAY 5TH MAY
3.15pm

Join us in the playground after school to kick off the long weekend



DECORATE
A CROWN &
OTHER CRAFTS

SELFIE
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GUESS THE NAME
OF THE CORGI

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<https://www.justgiving.com/page/brindishe-manor-psfa-spring-fundraiser>

brindishemanorpsfa@gmail.com
Reg Charity number 1117178



Kings Coronation – Friday 5th May

Our PSFA will be holding a special celebration and cake sale after school on Friday 5th May. Please see the poster below.

We are also inviting children to dress as a King or Queen, wear a crown or wear red white and blue on this day for some fun in school! This could be as simple as making a crown with paper or card or wearing something that you have from home. We can't wait to see your creations! Remember... you could use films for inspiration too!



BEST DECORATED CAKE COMPETITION

CALLING ALL BAKERS!!

Bring your cakes to the school office on Friday morning to be in with a chance of winning.

We would also appreciate any donations of other cakes (homemade or bought) for the refreshment stall so please do bring those too!

The teachers will pick the best decorated cakes in the afternoon and the winners will be announced after school.

All cakes will then be used on the refreshment stall at the get together.

1ST PLACE
£20 VOUCHER FOR POTTERY AT THE FIND STORE & CERTIFICATE

2ND & 3RD PLACE
GOODY BAG & CERTIFICATE

Please clearly mark all cake boxes with your child's name and class.
NO NUTS PLEASE

Messages from our School Admin team:

Absence

To report your child absent please call **0208 852 0852** and **leave a voice mail** or email info@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk before 8.30am. Please call the school on **each day** of your child's absence. We need to know your child's name, class and the reason for absence.

If your child needs to arrive late or leave early for an appointment this must be reported at least the day prior to the appointment to the school office in person or via email info@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk evidence of the appointment must be provided otherwise the absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

Office support

The virtual school page on the school website

<https://www.brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk/page/?title=Virtual+Office&pid=429> holds a lot of information that you may find useful and prevent you from having to phone or visit the school office. If you do have a query that can't be answered through the website, please make contact either after the gate opens in the morning (between 8.50-9.15) or after gate opens at the end of day (3.15-3.30) and the team will be happy to help.

The school office closes at 4:30pm each day, after this time you can email. All useful email addresses can be found on the contact us page on the school website

<https://www.brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk/page/?title=Contact+Us&pid=287>

School lunch and music payments

Thank you to all families who are up to date with lunch and music payments, we ask that any payments for school lunches and music lessons are paid in advance. As a federation, at each school we do all we can to work towards a clear policy of zero tolerance to debts.

You can check if you have any monies owing to the school by logging into your Horizons parent portal. Payment can be made directly through the portal:

- Payments – Make payments for specific trips, clubs, music lessons or items and see your payment history.
- School Shop – Make top up payments for school meals which is £2.51 per day.

If you do owe any money please make any outstanding payments, the office team will be in touch with those currently owing. If you are unsure of your debt and cannot log in to the portal please contact the school office.

Music lesson spaces

Trumpet - We have 2 spaces left available this term, these spaces are available for Year 2 upwards. If you are interested, please email info@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk and Lisa will be in contact. The deadline for booking these lessons is **Wednesday 3rd May**.

Flute- we have 5 spaces left available this term, these spaces are available for Year 2 upwards. If you are interested, please email info@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk and Lisa will be in contact. The deadline for booking these lessons is **Wednesday 3rd May**.

Recorder- we have 6 spaces left available this term, these spaces are available for Year 2 upwards. If you are interested, please email info@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk and Lisa will be in contact. The deadline for booking these lessons is **Wednesday 3rd May**.

Clarinet- we have 1 space left available this term, these spaces are available for Year 2 upwards. If you are interested, please email info@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk and Lisa will be in contact. The deadline for booking these lessons is **Wednesday 3rd May.**

The current charges are as follows:

Lesson	School Charge for full term			
	Lesson Charge	FSM charge	Hire Charge	FSM charge
All lessons	£52.50	£26.25	£23	£11.50
Guitar	£52.50	£26.25	£20	£10

All lessons are delivered over a 10 week period for the term. The weekly lesson is 30mins long, and approximately 4 children are in each lesson.

Key Dates:

Monday 1 st May	Bank holiday, no school for children
Tuesday 2 nd May	NEU teacher strike
Friday 5 th May	Coronation get together – see poster above
Monday 8 th May	Kings Coronation Bank Holiday – no school for children
Tuesday 9 th May	SATs week begins for Year 6 pupils
Thursday 18 th May	Year 1 & 2 disco (3.15 – 4.30) and Year 5 disco (5 – 6.15)
Monday 22 nd May – Friday 26 th May	School photos (timetable to be sent in due course)
Thursday 25 th May	Year 3 & 4 disco (3.15 – 4.30) and Year 6 disco (5 – 6.15)
Monday 29 th May- Friday 2 nd June	Half term
Monday 3 rd July	Inset Day, no school for children
Friday 21 st July	Last day of the school year



Brindishe
Federation

Brindishe Federation Newsletter

Friday 28th April 2023

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.](#)

Reception Open Dates for September 2024

Brindishe Schools have now published dates for Open Days (school tours). Tour places must be booked in advance with the school office. Please email admissions@ to reserve your place. Please note: Each school has its own booking system and email address.

Brindishe Green – admissions@brindishegreen.lewisham.sch.uk

Thursday 28th September - 10am and 4.30pm

Tuesday 17th October - 10am and 4.30pm

Tuesday 14th November - 10am and 4.30pm

Brindishe Manor – admissions@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk

Tuesday 26th September - 9.30am and 4.30pm

Thursday 12th October - 9.30am and 4.30pm

Monday 13th November - 9:30am and 4:30pm

Brindishe Lee – admissions@brindishelee.lewisham.sch.uk

Thursday 21st September - 9:30am and 4:30pm

Monday 16th October - 9:30am and 4:30pm

Wednesday 15th November - 9:30am and 4:30pm

The Coronation of His Majesty The King

The coronation of King Charles III and The Queen Consort will take place on Saturday 6 May 2023 at Westminster Abbey in London.

Join Lewisham in celebrating across the Bank Holiday weekend between Saturday 6 and Monday 8 May, find out how you can be involved in this historic occasion [here](#).



Rights Respecting at Brindishe Schools – Article of the week

Article 9 (separation from parents)

Children must not be separated from their parents against their will unless it is in their best interests (for example, if a parent is hurting or neglecting a child). Children whose parents have separated have the right to stay in contact with both parents, unless this could cause them harm.

Article 20 (children unable to live with their family)

If a child cannot be looked after by their immediate family, the government must give them special protection and assistance. This includes making sure the child is provided with alternative care that is continuous and respects the child's culture, language and religion.

Article 21 (adoption)

Governments must oversee the process of adoption to make sure it is safe, lawful and that it prioritises children's best interests. Children should only be adopted outside of their country if they cannot be placed with a family in their own country.

Article 25 (review of treatment in care)

If a child has been placed away from home for the purpose of care or protection (for example, with a foster family or in hospital), they have the right to a regular review of their treatment, the way they are cared for and their wider circumstances.

Why might it not sometimes be possible for children to live with their parents?

- Parents may be unwell and unable to care for them.
- Parents may not be able to keep their children safe.
- Parents may not be able to provide everything a child needs to be the best they can be.
- Family situations may change, for example there may be a crisis.
- Parents may live separately, even in different countries.
- The child may need long term treatment or care.
- Parents may be in prison.
- Disasters or emergencies may cause a child to be separated from their family.

At Brindishe Schools, we support children to understand that not all children live in the same kinds of families and that there are families of many different types. ['Every Family Is Different' by Maureen Eppen](#) discuss the different types of families we come across. What do you think they all have in common?





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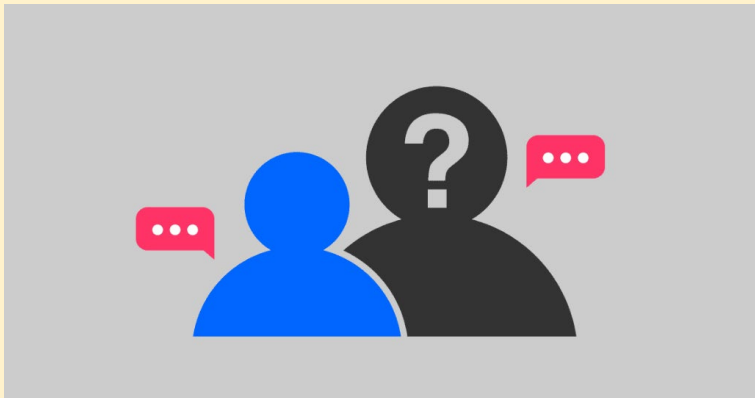
Brindishe Weekly Online Safety Bulletin

Did you know that [internetmatters.org](https://www.internetmatters.org) has free printable e-safety leaflets and resources to download, print and share with your children, other parents/carers or colleagues to help keep children safe online?

Online Grooming

Grooming is when someone seeks to build an emotional connection with a child to gain their trust for sexual purposes. It happens both online and face to face.

[Learn what the signs of grooming are and where you and your child can get help with this free downloadable leaflet.](#)



Key Federation Dates

- **Thursday 28th April – NEU Strike Day**
- **Monday 1st May – BANK HOLIDAY – School closed**
- **Tuesday 2nd May – NEU Strike Day**
- **Tuesday 2nd May – KS1 SATS window opens**
- **Monday 8th May – Coronation BANK HOLIDAY – School Closed**
- **KS2 SATS week – Tuesday 9th May to Friday 12th May**

Please look at each Brindishe Schools individual newsletters and Weduc communication for which classes will be open to children and which will be closed on Tuesday 2nd May.

Governing Body Dates

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

Summer 1
Summer 2

Brindishe Lee
Brindishe Manor

Tuesday 23rd May 2023, 6pm
Thursday 13th July 2023, 6pm