

## Brindishe Green School

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Dear parents and carers, friends and families,



### Celebrating diversity at Brindishe Green

As part of our diversity learning we have been discussing the nine characteristics we value and respect in school.

During February we will be thinking about these characteristics and how we protect and respect all groups of people in our community.

#### Staff Changes

We say goodbye to Rebekah Chin from Brindishe Manor who has successfully completed her placement with Olive class. After the break Ms Sullivan returns to us from Brindishe Manor.

After half term, we will be moving some support staff to other classes in line with the needs of our children.

Also at the end of February Mr Conor leaves us after 6 years to train to become a contract electrical engineer with Croydon Council. We are delighted that Mr Conor is embarking on something he feels very passionate about and I know you will join me in wishing him every success for the future.

Finally, Ashley Downes, who you will remember had a baby boy last year, returns to us March 6<sup>th</sup> and we are looking forward to having her back.

#### Mid-term review meetings

Thank you to all those parents and carers who have already booked online for their mid-term review meetings with teachers using the Parent Portal. **Please remember that the portal closes for bookings on 19<sup>th</sup> February.**

The link to Arbor is: <https://brindishe-green.uk.arbor.sc/?/home-ui/index>. If you have already given us your email address you will have been sent log-in information so that you can access the Parent Portal.

Headteacher Sarah Gorbutt

If you have not used the service before or you cannot remember your log-in, please email us on [admin@brindishegreen.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@brindishegreen.lewisham.sch.uk) and we can arrange for the information to be sent again.

#### This week at Brindishe Green

Yesterday our Reception children went to Catford Bus Station and today Year 1 visited Manor Park. Thank you to all the parents and carers who came to support us on these important visits and for braving the cold weather.

We are delighted about the number of parents and carers who joined us for the Maths mastery workshops on Thursday.

Also on Thursday, our governors met to discuss the performance of our 3 schools and hear about what is in place to ensure that our children are achieving at the highest standards.

#### Dates for your diary

- 20<sup>th</sup> Feb - Children return to school
- W/C 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> Feb - Mid term reviews with parents/carers
- 2<sup>nd</sup> March - World Book Day
- W/C 13<sup>th</sup> March - Mock Sats week for Year 6
- 28<sup>th</sup> Feb - Full governing body meeting at Brindishe Manor
- 21<sup>st</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> March - Challenge Partner Review
- 22<sup>nd</sup> March - Sing Up Day
- 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Musicians Concert - more information to follow...
- 31<sup>st</sup> March - End of Term

#### Attendance at Brindishe Green

Well done to Birch & Banyan (again), and Chestnut 2 for best attendance and to Redwood (again), Cherry and Chestnut 2 (again!) for best punctuality.

...and finally

Best wishes to all our families for a warm and restful half term holiday. Remember we return to school on **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 8:55am.**

Sarah Gorbutt  
Headteacher

Executive Head: Micki Betancor DfE