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Dear parents, carers, staff, governors and friends,

We have come to the end of our first half term for this year. The children and staff at BG have worked very hard. We have had lovely warm weather and have welcomed 170+ new children to our school who have settled quickly and are learning well. What a huge achievement!

If you get a chance do please come and take a look around the school at the beautiful artwork from our children - it is simply stunning!

#### **This week at Brindishe Green**

On Monday Beech class went to Creekside Discovery Centre to wade in the river. Thank you to the parents and carers who came to accompany the children, your support was much appreciated.

Thank you to Parents and carers who accompanied Cedar class to the National Portrait Gallery on Tuesday.

On Wednesday and Thursday, children from Banyan class planned and prepared a lunch for the senior leadership team. Their brief was to cook a healthy dish, present it in an attractive way and of course make sure it tasted delicious!

I can certainly say that they achieved all this and more! In fact, these children would give Jamie Oliver a run for his money! The variety and quality of food was exceptional and could not have happened without the help of Mrs Robb and Mrs Abousuaide who worked tirelessly to make this special event happen. Also in year 5 this week Olive and Walnut classes have been learning together through

PE. The children in Walnut class delivered warm up exercises, fitness routines, dance routines and team building games to year 2 children. The children loved older children teaching them and Walnut class worked hard to create interesting and healthy activities for the children to do.

Yesterday the broadcaster team had their first broadcast in the playground for years 5 and 6

Finally, a big thank you to parents and carers in year 3 who came to take part in the Egyptian Market today.

#### **Next week at Brindishe Green**

On Wednesday after half term Beech class go to the Horniman Museum to take part in an Amazon workshop

On Thursday there is a home learning meeting for reception parents and Elm class are off to Manor House Gardens to investigate habitats.

On Friday, Magnolia and Olive class will visit the National Portrait Gallery.

#### **Attendance update**

This week Elm class had the best attendance closely followed by Willow for the third week. Chestnut 3 wins the award for top attendance in reception and will have Ready Freddy (Ready Teddy's cousin) for a second week. Well done to all classes for their much improved attendance and come to school on time every day to be in with a chance to have another special treat if your class are the most punctual.....

And also ....

***If you know your child is unable to come to school please phone on the first day of absence.***

***And try to make medical appointments at the end of the day NOT during the school day.***

#### **Dates for your diary**

4 November - Assessment week begins

6 November - Full governing body meeting  
7 November - Home learning meeting for reception parents  
14 November - Open Day  
19 December - end of term

### Bikes and scooters

Please make sure you use the bike racks by the reception gate for all bikes and scooters. We have ordered scooter racks which we hope will arrive soon, but in the meantime, please use these.

### Year 6 applications for secondary school

Year 6 parents and carers, please make sure that you have completed and sent your application for secondary school. The last date for applications is **October 31<sup>st</sup>**.

...and finally

### Say goodbye to Andrew Preston

Our assistant premises officer Andrew Preston leaves us today to fly off to America to be with his fiancé. We wish him the very best of luck for his new future in the USA and thank him for his contribution over the last 5 years.

School finishes today at 3.15pm, thank you to all those parents who collect their child/children on time every day.

We hope you enjoy a good break and look forward to seeing you again on **November 4<sup>th</sup> at 8.55 am**

With best wishes,

Sarah Gorbutt  
Headteacher

Associate Headteacher Sarah Gorbutt

### \*\* Advertisement

**New Ballet and Street Dance classes.  
Toddler to adults**



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