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Dear parents, carers, staff, governors and friends,

### **Musician's Concert**

What a fantastic concert on Tuesday by our growing group of young musicians! Thank you to Ms Kelly for putting this superb event together and to the many parents and carers who came to support their children. We know how much hard work has gone into every performance and were so impressed by the children's confidence and the quality of their singing/playing. We hope to see even more talented children at our next concert and even more proud families coming to support them!

Last night Cedar class performed at the Hither Green Festival concert at St Swithun's Church. They opened the show with every child attending and a class full of parents and carers! Thank you so much to Hannah Borrett for leading this choir so ably and we look forward to hearing them perform again very soon.

### **Leadership teams at Lee Manor and Brindishe Green- an update:**

We are delighted to tell you that we have appointed a third Deputy Head at Brindishe Green and his name is James Baguley. He joins Eadaoin Kelly and Debbie Hughes our two other Deputy Heads. Mr Baguley is currently a Deputy Head in Southwark and will join Brindishe Green in September.

Associate Headteacher Sarah Gorbutt

Kath Margetts who was Deputy Head at Lee Manor for 15 years and has been supporting the leadership team here since Easter now moves from Brindishe Green to become Head of Turnham School in Lewisham after the half term holiday. She is very excited about her new post and we all wish her well and thank her for supporting Brindishe Green for this short time.

As you may know Alex Bell, the current Headteacher of Lee Manor is leaving at the end of the summer term and we are currently recruiting for a new Headteacher for January 2015. We have now agreed that Gerlinde Achenbach will be acting Headteacher for the autumn term supported by Kate Porter who will be the acting Deputy Headteacher. We are sure that you wish them all well and will give your every support as we make these changes in our leadership teams.

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

This week Banyan and Mangrove visited the Bank of England. Their teachers were very impressed with their mature attitude and sensible behaviour.

Thank you to the many parents/carers - (I hear it was 31 in total!) who accompanied our nursery children to go pond dipping in Manor Park. The children really enjoyed the experience and the chance to explore the park and the pond.

Thank you to the parents/carers who accompanied Olive class on their Victorian walk around the local area and thank goodness the weathermen got the forecast wrong!

### **Next half term at Brindishe Green**

When we return in June we will welcome back Claire Sheppard who returns to BG

Executive Headteacher Vicki Paterson DBE

after having her second child. She will be working with Joan in Nursery.  
In the second week we return, Year 5 are off to the Unicorn Theatre.

### Attendance and punctuality

*Chestnut 3* had the top attendance this week- well done to all of you! They were closely followed by Cedar and Mangrove. Maple class also had the best punctuality and will have their own special sessions with Talmud, our Capoeira and dance teacher.

### Dates for your diary ....

2 June - Children return to school  
5 June - Full Governing Body Meeting (please let us know if you would like to attend).  
19 June - School choir perform at Eltham College  
24 June - New Reception parent's meeting  
26 June - Open Day  
Saturday 5 July - BG Summer Fair  
W/C 7 July - Healthy Living Week  
8 July - Sports Day Yrs 1 & 2  
9 July - Sports Day Yrs 3 & 4  
10 July - Sports Day yrs 5 & 6  
11 July - Reports to parents/carers  
12 July - People's Day  
16 July - Yr 6 performance at 2.00 & 6.30pm  
21 July - Yr 6 leavers dinner and dance 6.00pm  
22 July - End of term  
3 September - Start of Autumn Term

...and finally

We break today for half term holiday and return on Monday 2 June at 8.55am.

Please make sure that when we return your child is wearing sensible shoes (not strappy sandals/flip flops) and a top that covers their shoulders/middle. We expect the weather to get hotter and we want children to be free to enjoy the warm weather as safely as possible.

Best wishes for a good holiday.

Sarah Gorbutt  
Headteacher

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