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Dear parents, carers, staff, governors and friends,

Red Nose Day!

Well done everyone for a fantastic school effort today - we were a sea of red! So far we have collected £208.87 and if you too would like to donate something for Comic Relief, please come to the school office with your £1.00.

Also today we were visited by a Hawkes Farm School in East Sussex who particularly came to see our Year 1 and 2 classes. Feedback from the team has, as always, been extremely positive and they have returned to East Sussex with loads of new ideas to try out in their own school!

This week at Brindishe Green

On Monday the Maths team ran a workshop for Year 2 parents/carers explaining the new Maths curriculum and how to support your child at home. If you were not able to join us, Ms Matthews will be uploading this information onto our Managed Learning Environment so please make sure you have your child's login details. Also this week Beech class visited Lullingstone Roman Villa and Magnolia class went to the Horniman Museum.

Thank you to the parents and carers who joined Reception children for the first family reading session of this term. We hope as many of you as possible will be able to join us regularly on Tuesday mornings. Please ask

your child's class teacher if you would like more information.

On Tuesday our Early Year's Team were visited by a group of teachers from El Salvador. They loved the school so much - they stayed all day!

Kym Scott from Lewisham EYFS team wrote 'I was immensely proud to be showing them all round such a lovely school and it really did lift my mood and re-energise me, seeing all the wonderful learning and teaching happening today and so many happy, calm children'

Next week at Brindishe Green

Remember it is Science week next week. Don't forget to enter the Science competition too - please ask at the school office if you need more information.

We look forward to welcoming you for your mid-term review appointment next week. If you have not yet arranged an appointment to see your child's learning, please talk to the class teacher who will be happy to organise an appointment for you.

On Tuesday and Thursday next week Nursery children will be pond dipping in Manor Park.

Please remember that Nursery will be closed on Wednesday 18th March to allow teachers to see parents and carers for their mid-term reviews. Thank you.

Dates for your diary at Brindishe Green

16th March - Science Week

18th March - National Sing up Day

W/C 16th March - Mid-term reviews with parents/carers

17/19th March - Nursery will be Pond dipping in Manor Park

****18th March - Nursery closed**

19th March - KS2 Choir perform at the Catford Broadway Theatre for Lewisham Live
23rd March - Mock Sats week for Yr 6
25th March - Chamber Choir perform at Blackheath Halls for Live Voices at the Halls.
27th March - Break for Easter
*****May 7th - School closed for Polling Day**
6th June - **'Together We Run'** at Sutcliffe Park

Attendance and punctuality

This week Olive for the second week and Cherry and Banyan Class had the best attendance and Mangrove Class had no lates at all which means they receive a special dance session from our dance teacher Mr. Talmud!

If your child is unwell and unable to come to school, please make sure you let the school office know on the first day of absence.
Many thanks.

...and finally

Creating your own family 'computing' policy. Part 3

As part of our series on creating a family 'computing' policy, we are this week looking at some ideas and websites which will allow you to find out more about online teenspeak.

WORTH CHECKING

Always talk through with your child the types of websites which are safe and appropriate. Explain to them that if they receive or come across inappropriate material online they should tell you immediately.

Slightly older children now use chat rooms as part of social media. There are occasions where children will use language and 'lingo' on social media sites, which some adults may be unfamiliar with. Check out www.netlingo.com where you will find out about chat acronyms and the meaning of some text message shorthands.

Next week's topic in the family 'computing' policy series is entitled **TALK IT THROUGH**, which will include information and ideas around the importance of explaining to children the reasons for having clear boundaries in place when they are using the internet.

Have a good weekend - let's hope the sun continues to shine!

Best wishes

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