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Dear parents, carers, staff, governors and friends,

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

Many thanks to all the staff and children who made this week so relaxed, calm and well organized for our year 6 children. The children could not have worked harder or given any more to these important tests than they did and they deserve to do very well. Huge thanks in particular to the team of staff who came in early every morning to prepare breakfast for the children. It set the tone for the day and I know the children appreciated it very much as did we.

Also this week, Mr Lewis and the Brindishe Strikers managed to win gold at yet another tournament! Our team of children from years 3, 4 and 5 competed against 7 teams in 13 matches to win on a tense penalty shoot-out. Congratulations to all those who took part and represented the school so well. In particular well done to Ciaron from Beech class, who was the top goal scorer and to Moses from Mangrove class who saved two goals in the penalty shoot-out. We only lost one match in the whole competition so all the children should be very proud.

It was an amazing experience for the children to be able to play on Millwall's football pitch (the Den), go down the tunnel and see the changing rooms first hand! Thank you to Mr Lewis for organizing this special trip and to the many parents/carers who accompanied and supported the children on the day.

Thank you to those that made cakes or contributed to our special cake sale on Thursday for Nepal. We will let you know in due course how much money has been raised.

### **National Walk to School Week**

Next week is National Walk to School Week! It's all about making people more aware of the healthy benefits of walking. There are many reasons why walking to school is best. Here are our top 5:

#### **Top 5 reasons to walk to school!**

- It gives you energy! It boosts the circulation of oxygen making you feel more awake.
- It boosts your vitamin D levels which helps keep your bones healthy.
- It keeps your brain healthy by boosting brain activity.
- It makes you happy! By releasing feel good endorphins, walking reduces stress and anxiety.
- It saves the planet. By walking for 10 minutes you can save 152g CO<sub>2</sub>, enough to power a microwave for 4 minutes!

So let's get moving Brindishe Green, improve your health and the planet and walk to school!

For more information visit:

<http://www.walktoschool.org.uk>

Also next week Elm class will visit the Tate Modern on Tuesday and take part in an art workshop.

### Dates for your diary at Brindishe Green

19th May - Full governing body at BG. Please let us know if you would like to join us so that we can arrange seating and refreshments for you  
20 May - Whole School photographs  
22nd May - Half Term  
1st June - Healthy Living Week - look out for your child's Sports Day!  
3rd June - Full governing body meeting  
**6th June - 'Together We Run' at Sutcliffe Park.**  
11<sup>th</sup> June - Open Day  
15<sup>th</sup> June - Year 1 phonics check  
20 June Hither Green Music Concert with BG choir  
1st July - Massed choir at the Festival Hall  
10th July - Reports to parents  
17th July - End of Term

### Attendance and punctuality

This week Ash class had the best attendance in the whole school with 100% closely followed by Elm class! Chestnut 3 had the best attendance in the reception class again. Willow class had the best punctuality - well done children!

...and finally

### \*Reminder - Kent Tests for Year 5 children

Please remember that registration for the Kent Tests opens on **1 June** and more details can be found by emailing [kent.admissions@kent.gov.uk](mailto:kent.admissions@kent.gov.uk) **The closing date for registration is 1 July 2015.** The tests are likely to take place on **Saturday 12 September 2015** for children living outside Kent.

### Fundraising in Nursery

Pat Bonner and Catherine Teakle, our nursery nurses from Brindishe Green Nursery are planning a 50k Cross country night walk. Remember the walk takes place on June 20th and is a 50k (30miles) overnight walk through the Kent woods and countryside with Wide Horizons Charity. The money raised from this will go towards learning at Horton Kirby for children at BG. There are sponsor forms available. If you are able to sponsor Pat and Catherine or want more information please go and see them in Nursery. Thank you

### Nursery Places

We have part-time nursery places for children aged 3 and 4 yrs. Tell your friends and neighbours to call in and collect an application form today or email us on [info@brindishegreen.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:info@brindishegreen.lewisham.sch.uk) phone us on 0208 8527245 or see our website [www.brindisheschools.org](http://www.brindisheschools.org)

Please remember we break for Half term on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May and return to school on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June.

Best wishes for a lovely weekend. We'll see you on Monday.

Sarah Gorbutt  
Headteacher