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Dear parents, carers, staff, governors and friends,

Young Voices Concert

Our school choir took part in the Young Voices choir concert at the O2 on Monday. Our group of 120 children from our three schools joined 7,800 other children to form one of the largest children's choir events in the world! The children sang with special guest stars and a live band and despite a long day of rehearsals, they gave a very polished and energetic performance.

We were thrilled to see so many parents/carers there supporting their children. A great night was had by all!

A big thank you to Miss Borrett who has worked with the choir over the last few months to prepare for this event. Thanks also to Mr. Jack, Mr. O'Bray and Miss Ashdown who supported the children throughout the day and well into the evening!

More sporting success!

We are thrilled to announce that our Y5 and 6 Cricket team, the 'Brindishe Wizards', have won the Lewisham Quik-Cricket tournament at Christ the King! With an impressive 104 runs, more than double the points of any other team, they won each of their matches and showed great sportsmanship. Our thanks go to Mr. Lewis who supported and prepared the children so well. Congratulations!

Headteacher - Sarah Gorbutt

Also this week at Brindishe Green

Well done to Taylor, Aldre, Likezo, Shukri, Janice, Kai, Allie and Ann-Marie from Year 6 who gave a moving performance as part of Lewisham's Holocaust Memorial Day event at the Rivoli Ballroom last Sunday afternoon. Our thanks go to Miss Matthews for supporting the children so well.

All of Year 6 had a special workshop with Transport for London on Monday to learn about travelling safely on public transport in preparation for their transition to secondary school. We have recently spoken to all of the children in assembly about keeping safe on the road and using the 'Green Cross Code' - stop, look and listen before crossing the road. Please help us by talking to your child and showing them how to cross at a safe place.

Year 5 visited the Science Museum today to see the space exhibit as part of their learning on the Solar System.

Next week at Brindishe Green

Olive Class are welcoming May-Ling's dad on Monday who will be sharing his baking skills as he leads them in a day of bread-making. We look forward to tasting the results! All classes in Reception and Year 1 will have the opportunity to take part in a 'Drama4All' workshop next Tuesday about animals who live in the jungle.

A group of 10 more able mathematicians from Year 5 will be visiting Blackheath High School for a special morning of maths challenges on Tuesday.

Next Friday, we are hosting a hockey tournament at BG for children from our three schools.

Executive Head - Vicki Paterson DBE

Dates for your diary at Brindishe Green

9th February - Able Writers workshop at Blackheath High
10th Feb - Chestnut 3 to National Gallery
10/11 Feb - Nursery to Manor House Library
10-13 Feb - Year 1 to Mudchute Farm
11th February - Full Governing Body Meeting. Please let us know if you would like to attend
11-13 Feb - Year 6 to Geffrye Museum
12th Feb - Chestnut 1 to National Gallery
13th Feb - Chestnut 2 to National Gallery
13th February - Art Exhibition in Main Hall for Reception parents/carers (3.30 - 4.30)
13th February - Half term break
23rd February - Children return to school
26th February - Full Governing Body Meeting
27th February - Book Fair
W/C 18 March - Mid-term reviews with parents/carers
27th March - Break for Easter

***** Please note. Despite our best efforts the school will be used as a polling station on May 7th for the General Election. We are very sorry for any inconvenience. Please make a note in your diaries.***

Attendance and punctuality

This week Olive Class had the best overall attendance with a fantastic 100%. Banyan Class class had the best attendance further up the school with 99.3% and Cedar Class had no lates at all this week and will receive a special dance session from our dance teacher Mr Talmud!

...and finally

As the cold weather continues and children are wrapped up in hats, scarves and gloves, our lost property cupboard is full to the brim with lost items. Please label whatever you can so that we can return it to its owner and talk to your child about tucking gloves into a coat pocket or into their bag to keep them safe.

Have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes

Éadaoin Kelly
Deputy Headteacher

******Lewisham Junior Choir***

Fresh from performing at the Royal Albert Hall at the Schools Prom, the Lewisham Junior Choir is recruiting new members from years 4, 5 and 6 who enjoy singing. The choir are singing at the Broadway Theatre Catford as part of Live Voices in March and will also sing at the Royal Festival Hall in July at the Lewisham Hub Gala Concert.

**Singers must be in Year 4, 5 or 6.*

**Weekly rehearsals are held during term-time on Tuesdays, 4pm to 5pm at the Irish Community Centre, Davenport Rd, Catford SE6 2AZ.*

**Rehearsals this term start on 27 January and run until 24 March.*

The choir are currently learning music from the Lion King, Billy Elliot and the Muppets. Rehearsals are energetic, lively and fun and led by singing leader at Lewisham Music Hub - Clare Caddick.

Children are welcome to visit a rehearsal before committing to join. Fees are £3.40 a week, or £1 a week for children on free school meals.