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<https://community.crisis.org.uk/christmas-2016/reserve-a-place?gclid=CM3vv5rVh9ACFWkz0wod6OcJdw>

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<https://lewisham.foodbank.org.uk/>

Dear parents and carers,

Many thanks

We've had a great week at Brindishe Green and are looking forward to our very special 'Celebrating Diversity' week which starts on Monday.

This week at Brindishe Green

On Monday, Mary Seacole visited year 2 to tell them all about her life and her work with soldiers during the Crimean War.

Crisis at Christmas

We have now launched our nominated charity for our Christmas fundraising this year.

On Tuesday our years 5 & 6 Tag Rugby team (Brindishe Falcons) won the Lewisham borough finals and brought home yet another silver cup!

All three schools will be supporting Crisis this year; the national charity for homeless people. We hope you too will be able to help.

Our team of 7 played 20 teams winning all 6 of our matches including the Final 3-0 against Sandhurst Primary School. We scored a total of 18 tries and only conceded 1 try throughout the whole competition. The Brindishe Falcons will now represent the Borough of Lewisham again at The London Youth Games 2017; I think that's two teams so far.....Mr Lewis would like to thank Mr Jackson for his assistance in the training.

We are asking children to 'do' something to raise money rather than just give a donation. Children can offer to 'do' something to help. This could be unpacking the dishwasher, washing the car, helping with shopping, walking the dog, washing up etc. and through this they will earn pennies large or small, to donate to Crisis.

On Thursday our year 6 children took part in bikeability training and were absolutely fantastic! Also on Thursday a group of professional musicians from Trinity Laban came and played their brass instruments for our children. The children really enjoyed the experience.

For just over £200.00, we can feed 10 people over the Christmas period in one of the 14 Crisis at Christmas Centres.

Next week at Brindishe Green

We are looking forward to your contributions and novel ideas for our 'Celebrating Diversity' Cake-a-Thon on November 18th.

We are also talking to the children about how local foodbanks support families at difficult times and how we can donate to our local Foodbank. If you would like to support us in raising money for Crisis at Christmas or want to collect donations for our local foodbank, please let the office know or send me an email at headteacher@brindishegreen.lewisham.sch.uk

Diary Dates

Week beginning 14 Nov : 'Celebrating Diversity' week at Brindishe Schools
18th November - Cake-a-Thon Competition
23rd November Flu vaccine for Ys 1 to 3
23rd/24th/25th - Year 4 to the Roman Amphitheatre at the Guildhall
29th November - Turning of the Year

Please take a look at the links below for more information.

Christmas dates:

Winter Warmer (Yrs 1 and 2)

Thursday Dec 8th - Start approx. 2.00pm

Christmas around the World (Yrs 3 and 4)

Friday Dec 9th - Start approx. 2.00pm

Chestnut Nativities- Reception

Monday Dec 12th - For Chestnut 1 and 2
parent/carers

Tuesday Dec 13th - For Chestnut 3 and 4
parent/carers

Wednesday Dec 14th - Christmas lunch (more
details to follow)

Christmas at the church Yrs 5/6

Thursday Dec 15th - Evening performance at
6.00pm at St Swithun's Church

16th December - End of Term

4th January - Children return to school

Well done to Cherry and Mangrove for this
week's best attendance

Cherry's attendance was 99.2% and Mangrove's
attendance was 98.5%

Well done to Maple and Walnut who were the
classes with this week's best punctuality

...and finally

Keeping our children safe online:

We know that children enjoy going online to
search the Internet, play games and chat with
their friends. The range of websites and apps
available mean our children can search for
information, share images, watch videos and use
social media platforms like Facebook, Instagram
and WhatsApp, incredibly easily.

There are so many benefits to using the
internet; our children can learn new things, find
answers to their questions and get help with
their home learning. It can be an incredible
resource! However, there are also risks.

Some websites and apps use age restrictions to
make sure that children don't see any content

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which may be unsuitable. You can find out more
information about these websites and apps by
visiting the links below. The table below also
lists popular social media platforms and their
associated age restrictions. If you have any
questions or queries please come and speak to
your child's class teacher or to Mr Baguley.

[https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-
abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/](https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/)
<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

Age restrictions for social media platforms

Age 13	Twitter Facebook Instagram Pinterest Google + Tumblr Reddit Snapchat
Age 14	LinkedIn
Age 16	WhatsApp
Age 18 / or age 13 with adult permission	You Tube Flickr

By understanding and talking about the dangers
we can all help to keep our children safe online in
school and at home. I know you will want to
support us in keeping your child safe.

Have a lovely weekend

Best wishes

Sarah Gorbutt
Headteacher

Executive Head - Vicki Paterson DBE