

## Brindishe Lee School

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Lee

**Friday 18 January 2019**

### Dear families, staff, governors and friends

#### This week at Brindishe Lee ...

... has been a very industrious one. There has been lots of activity in our outdoor areas this week! Both pupils and staff have been working together to improve the learning environment outside. New developments include a lovely new digging area in Year 1, refreshed flowerbeds, a bug hotel and the beginnings of a new herb garden.

Reception, Year 1 and Year 5 were visited today by a member of the London Fire Brigade Schools' team to find out more about electrical and home safety. They were left with lots to think about ...

Today our Year 6 children launched Lewisham Holocaust Memorial weekend, 2019, with the most incredible performance which both explained and explored the atrocity that took place during WWII. The children gave a very moving insight into this piece of history. They demonstrated their understanding of the right to have an identity and their conviction that it is possible to be a part of change for the future.

We were extremely proud of every member of the class and so were the visitors from Lewisham including Liane Segal, Lady Mayoress from Vienna, who escaped with the Kindertransport during the war, and Warden Gerald West from Lewisham Synagogue. They were taken aback by the knowledge and conviction in the performance and commented that it, truly, was the very best interpretation they had been invited to since the celebration began 15 years ago.

Thank you children for what you achieved today and thank you, too to Mrs Sharrock, Ikram and Mark, from Small Nose Productions, for all the preparation and learning that fed in to today's performance.

Events around Holocaust Memorial Day take place in Lewisham all over this weekend.

#### Changing Weather.....



As the cold weather takes hold, please make sure your child is wearing appropriate clothing to school. We suggest they wear layers that can be easily removed or added. All our children spend time outdoors every day, and have outdoor PE

every week so it's important that they have warm clothes for these activities. Please make sure you label your child's clothing so it can be easily returned to them if it gets lost.

#### Safeguarding our community

We are looking forward to Safer Internet Day on the 5<sup>th</sup> February when we will be focusing on this year's theme: 'together for a better internet'.



#### Packed lunch and a healthy school



Please can I remind you that children must ONLY bring water to school to drink in their packed lunch boxes or bags. A number of children have been bringing juice and been disappointed when asked not to drink it in school. Thank you.

#### Dog owners

Please be reminded that the paths around school get very busy when the gate is open at the beginning and end of the school day. If you bring a dog with you when you come to school, we kindly ask you take full responsibility for them to ensure everyone feels safe. Many thanks.

Headteacher: Lisa Morris Executive Head: Rachel Waite Chair of Governors: Lindsay Dale

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## Dates for your diary ...

- 30 January** Age UK Assembly and Year 1 workshop
- 31 January** Science Dome for Y1, 3, 4 and 6
- 06 February** Full Governing Body meeting @ Brindishe Manor. Please let us know if you would like to attend as an observer and we will arrange seating for you.
- w/b 11 February** Mid-year parent / carer reviews
- 15 February** Break for Half Term Holiday

## Rights Respecting news

Our focus in assemblies and discussion next week is **Article 12**



The right to be listened to and taken seriously. We believe that children have the right to their own opinions, and that these opinions matter.

## Attendance this week

Best attendance this week ...

Very well done to **Year 3** with **98.6%** and **Year 1, Sycamore** with **97.4%**.

Enjoy a crisp, sunny weekend!

**Lisa Morris**  
**Headteacher**

### Basketball tournament reports from our sports correspondents:

'On Thursday, we had a tournament with Year 3 and 4. My team came second - Brindishe Green beat us! The other team also did well but they didn't pass the first round.'

- Orla, Year 3

'On Thursday, we had a basketball tournament with Year 3 and 4 pupils. We played excellently at the tournament but Brindishe Green beat us. At least we tried our best!'

- Christopher, Year 3

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