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24th March 2016

Dear parents and carers,

This is our last day of term for the Spring term and will return to school on Tuesday 12th April at 8.55am to start the summer term. Many thanks for all your support over this term and particularly to the many parents and carers who have supported the children with home learning, on educational visits, attended performances and recently met with class teachers to discuss their child's learning and next steps.

n.b. If you still have not seen your child's class teacher, please make sure you make every effort to organize this as soon as we return from the holidays.

Year 4 Macbeth Performance

If you didn't see yesterday's wonderful performance of Macbeth by year 4, you missed a treat!

It was a truly professional, slick, collaborative and outstanding performance by every child in year 4.

Children organized themselves into teams so that every aspect of the performance from scenery, sound, props and costumes were all the children's work. The actors spoke clearly and performed with passion and emotion.

They not only learnt their own lines (which is not easy if you know Shakespeare!), but many knew everybody else's lines too!

The standard of performance and production was extremely high and really set the bar for drama at BG at a new level. Huge thanks to the year 4 team who made this possible:

Ms Parker, Mrs Bowen, Mr Williamson, Mrs Abouswaid, Ms O'Connor and Mr Jack, for their hard work in preparing and rehearsing the children so well. I could see some real creative talent yesterday and I can't wait to see what year 4 take on next!

We are very proud of you year 4 - that was a huge task for children so young to take on and you made it look really easy. You should be delighted with your performance yesterday.

This week at Brindishe Green

Well done Year 6 for working so hard and being so amazing in your recent mock SATS tests. These tests are a huge amount of work for everyone but they really help the adults and the children to have a flavour of the 'real thing' so that they are as fully prepared as they can be for these important tests in May.

Well done also to the enrichment team for their stunning performance on Wednesday. Thank you to the parents and carers who came to support the children. Thanks to their efforts, the cake sale raised £155.80 and this money will now go to our local foodbank.

Today Beech and Birch went to Dulwich Picture Gallery and earlier this week Maple class also went to the Picture Gallery. The visits were a huge success and greatly enjoyed by the children. Many thanks to the adults who supported the children on both these visits.

Next week at Brindishe Green

New booster groups for year 6 will start again from the first Tuesday back (12th April). The year 6 teachers will let the children know who needs to attend.

Reception classes are visiting the National

Gallery in the first week back.

On Thursday 14th April - year 5 parents and carers are invited to a School Journey meeting at 5.00pm.

Attendance and punctuality

Well done to Olive class for having 100% attendance this week. Well done also to Beech class. Willow, Redwood and Magnolia classes also had the best punctuality - well done!

Diary Dates

11th April - Inset Day

13th/14th/15th April - Reception children visit the National Gallery

14th April - School Journey meeting for year 5 parents at 5.00pm

14th April - Whole school photos

15th April - Reception Art Gallery 3.30 - 4.00pm

21st April - Open Day

5th May - Inset Day/school closed to children

9th - 12th May- year 6 SATs

24th May - Full Governing Body Meeting

27th May - Spring half term

6th - 8th June - Challenge Partner Review

9th June - Full Governing Body Meeting

W/C 13th June - Healthy Living Week

16th June - Open Day

23rd June - school closed to children

School closed on June 23rd - Important

The school will be closed to children on Thursday 23rd June as the school buildings will be used as a polling station on this day.

It is a one day closure. The school will be open to children again on Friday 24th June when children should come to school as usual.

We are really sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. We have spoken to Lewisham

Council on many occasions to ask them not to use our school as a polling station - but without any success. Please make a note of this date change in your diaries.

As a result of this closure and because children legally must receive 190 days of schooling each year, we will need to **extend the last day of term to Thursday 21st July** (it will now **not** be the last day on Wednesday 20 July as previously advertised).

If you are not intending to send your child to school on July 21st, their absence will be marked as unauthorised unless you are able to provide evidence to prove that your child cannot attend. This can be flight tickets or booking confirmation of any pre-booked holiday for this day.

Please see our revised holiday and term dates on our website

<http://green.brindisheschools.org/page/?pid=26>

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

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School lunches

Please note that the price of a paid school meal will increase from £1.90 per day to £2.00 with effect from 2nd May 2016.

Happy holidays!

Please remember to take PE kits home for washing over the holidays and to make sure you have not left anything behind in our lost property basket. School returns on Tuesday 12th April at 8.55am and we hope you have a good break and a lovely Easter holiday.

Best wishes

Sarah Gorbutt Headteacher