

## Brindishe Green School

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Dear parents and carers, friends and families,

#### Year 6 SATs

This week our Y6 children have taken their SATs tests in Reading, Grammar Punctuation & Spelling, and Maths. They have worked so hard - it's quite possible that they might actually have enjoyed it! Thanks to the many staff who supported the children this week and to the year 6 teachers for preparing them so well.

#### Staff changes

At the end of this half term, Emily Hopkins will be leaving BG to take up a similar role in schools in Ramsgate. As many of you know, Ms Hopkins has been making the journey from Whitstable for 7 years and has decided to work closer to home. Who can blame her? Our new Inclusion Leader will start in September and is called Anna Wilks. Ms Hopkins is ensuring that everything is in place for our children with additional needs for the remainder of this academic year and we look forward to welcoming Anna to BG after the summer holidays. Ms Hopkins will be around school as always if you would like to pass on your best wishes and we, although sorry to lose her, wish her the very best of luck in her new schools. They are very lucky to have her!

#### Dates for your diary

18<sup>th</sup> May - Year 5 school journey meeting

22<sup>nd</sup> May - Well Being week

23<sup>rd</sup> May - School Photographs

24<sup>th</sup> May - Collaborative choir at John Ball

24<sup>th</sup> May - Full Governing Body at BG at 6.00pm

25<sup>th</sup> May - Hither Green Festival evening at BG

5<sup>th</sup> June - Children return to school

**8<sup>th</sup> June - SCHOOL CLOSED to children for the General Election**

15<sup>th</sup> June - David Hockney inspired Art Exhibition

15<sup>th</sup> June - Full Governing Body at BG

20<sup>th</sup> June - New reception parents/carers to BG

22<sup>nd</sup> June - Open Day

14<sup>th</sup> July - End of year reports to parents/carers

21<sup>st</sup> July - End of Term

#### Attendance at Brindishe Green

Well done to all 3 classes in year 6 for having the highest attendance and punctuality this week. Birch and Chestnut 3 had the best punctuality in the lower school. Well done to those classes.

#### Walk to school next week!

May is 'walk to school month' and we are celebrating here at Brindishe Green with a Walk to School Week. To encourage a little healthy competition between the classes in school, we are organising a pedometer challenge! All you need to take part is a smart phone and a step-counting app. There is a FREE app for smartphones called 'Moves' the link is below. The app requires no email and just detects steps from your movement. We will accept any other entries from alternative pedometers, activity trackers and smart watches. See <https://www.moves-app.com/> for more details.

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If your child has their own smartphone, they can log their steps each morning next week as they hand their phone in to the school office. If they use an adult's phone, please let your child's class teacher know so that they can log the number of steps each day. Happy walking!

### Risk Assessment after an accident

If your child has been injured in any way and is coming back to school, we will need to complete a risk assessment with you before they go back into class. In the risk assessment we will talk about how their injury will impact on their ability to take part in all aspects of school life - eg. eating lunch, playtime, using the toilet, PE, moving around the building - and we will make a plan to support their recovery.

Please speak to Sharon Franks (our Attendance, Welfare and Safeguarding Officer) or Debbie Hughes, for more information.

...and finally

### Fidget Spinners

We're really sorry but please do not send your child into school with fidget spinners from now on. They seem to be growing in numbers and should not be in school unless recommended to support learning by Ms Hopkins or a member of the senior leadership team.



Wishing all our families a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Sarah Gorbutt  
Headteacher

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