

Brindishe Green School

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To all staff, families and friends at Brindishe Green,

Welcome back everyone, I hope you all had a good half term break. The children have returned rested, excited to be back and ready to learn.

Sporting achievements at Brindishe Green

This week 3 boys and 4 girls from years 5 & 6 entered and won our first Lewisham netball competition of this academic year. The Brindishe Stars competed against 18 schools, topping our group of 6 teams without conceding a point. Well done to Finlay who scored the winning goal in extra time in the golden playoff.

Brindishe Stars now go on to represent Lewisham for Netball at the London Youth Games in 2018.

Here are some other sporting achievements we thought you would want to know about over the last 12 months.

October 2016 - Year 5/6 Hockey team win the Lewisham Hockey Finals.

November 2016 - Year 3/4 Netball team win the Lewisham Netball Finals.

November 2016 - Year 5/6 Tag Rugby team win the Lewisham Rugby Finals.

November 2016 - Year 5/6 Indoor Football team win a 5-a-side tournament.

December 2016 - Year 5/6 Athletics team win the Lewisham Sportshall athletics Finals.

January 2017 - Year 3/4 Basketball team win the Lewisham Basketball Finals.

January 2017 - Year 5/6 Basketball team achieve Bronze at Lewisham Basketball Finals.

January 2017 - Year 5/6 Cricket team win an Indoor Cricket tournament.

February - Year 3/4 Football team achieve Bronze at the Lewisham Football Finals.

March 2017 - Year 5/6 Sportshall Athletics team represent Lewisham at the London Youth Games.

March 2017 - Year 5/6 Hockey team represent Lewisham at the London Youth Games.

March 2017 - Year 5/6 Tag Rugby team represent Lewisham at the London Youth Games.

May 2017 - Year 5/6 Athletics team win the Lewisham Quad Kids Athletics Finals.

May 2017 - Year 2 Kurling team win the tri-school Kurling tournament.

June 2017 - Year 5/6 Tennis team achieve Bronze at the Lewisham Tennis Finals.

June 2017 - Year 5/6 Cricket team win the St. Dunstan's Cup Cricket tournament.

June 2017 - Year 3/4 Athletics team win the Lewisham Quad Kids Athletics Finals.

June 2017 - Year 3/4 Tennis team win the Lewisham Tennis Finals.

July 2017 - Year 3/4 Tennis team represent Lewisham at the London Youth Games.

July 2017 - Year 5/6 Quad Kids athletics team represent Lewisham at the London Youth Games.

Well done to all those children who competed for Brindishe Green and of course to Mr Lewis for his dedication and coaching which has made all of this possible!

Crisis at Christmas

We have decided again this year to support Crisis at Christmas and our local Lewisham Foodbank.

Over the next few weeks we will be asking our children to think about the ways in which they can work together as a class to raise money for this worthwhile charity. This might be helping at home with jobs such as washing the family car,

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keeping their bedroom tidy, washing up or helping with housework to raise money. We really want children to be *doing* something rather than just *asking* for donations.

Last year, we cooked food, made gifts, helped at home and even wore our Christmas jumpers to school for a day. In total we raised over £2,500 across the three schools and we hope to raise even more this year.

If you would like more information about this worthwhile charity that supports homeless people go to

<https://www.crisis.org.uk/get-involved/reserve-a-place-at-crisis-at-christmas/>

Dates for your diary

6 Nov - Flu vaccine (nasal spray) Reception - Year 4

7 and 10 Nov - Tri-school Bollywood Dance Workshop for years 3 & 4

9 Nov - More able mathematicians to Blackheath High School for a Maths morning

W/C 13 Nov - Celebrating Diversity Week

13 Nov - Shakespeare Performance

15 Nov - Anti-Bullying Day - please wear blue

16 Nov - BG Open Day

17 Nov - Cake-a-Thon competition and bake sale

21 Nov - Full Governing Body Meeting at BL

24 Nov - Health Screening Year 6

28 Nov - Advocate Inspire Maths morning with visitors from Sweden

Celebrating Diversity Week 13-17 November

Following on from the success of last year, our Celebrating Diversity Week will begin on 13th Nov. On Wednesday 15th, children and staff will be encouraged to wear something blue and bring in 50p as part of our Anti-Bullying day. The week will end with a Cake-a-thon competition on Friday 17th - look out for details around school!

Attendance at Brindishe Green

Well done to Walnut and Lilac class (again!) for having the best attendance. Beech (again) and Lilac had the best punctuality too! Well done children! Chestnut 1 had the best punctuality and 100% attendance for this week. Well done!

Headteacher - Sarah Gorbutt



Lost property

Our lost property collection has grown over this last half term and we desperately need to return your items to you.

Please be aware that if these are not collected this week, they will be sent to a local charity shop. Many thanks

...and finally

Sharing our School Development Plan

Each week I will focus on an element of the School Development Plan so that you have the fullest picture about our plans. We have also shared these plans with the children.

We will:

Enable children to develop a 'mutual understanding of communities' by:

- Ensuring all parents and carers are aware of how they can access information about and contribute to their child's learning and progress
- Increasing opportunities for parents / carers to understand and know how their voice influences decisions made in school
- Communicating openly and well about how school policies and practices are made, influenced and changed
- Extending, celebrating and sharing our diversity and differences and being fully inclusive within and across our local community.

Wishing all our families a great weekend. Do please be careful when enjoying fireworks, if you and your family celebrate Bonfire Night. Please see <http://www.bonfire-night-safety.co.uk/>

Best wishes,

Sarah Gorbutt
Headteacher

Executive Head - Vicki Paterson DBE