

## Brindishe Lee Newsletter

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

Kind and compassion for others are crucial to the life of Brindishe Lee. This has been very much in evidence during this week. On Wednesday we held a special assembly towards our 'Giving Tree' appeal. More details below from Ms Ferrant. On Thursday, Ms Haughton took her class for a dance workshop at a local secondary school. As I mentioned last week, every class is getting the opportunity to learn and develop their dance skills. A big thank you to Ms Wagland for organising these workshops. I know they are proving very popular with children and the pictures looked superb. Every child had a smile on their face.

# F@B Christmas Fayre... A message from the team...

We are busy preparing ourselves for our annual Christmas Fayre on Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup> November. Please contact the office or a member of the F@B team if you are able to help out on the day. Please take a look at the newly designed noticeboard at the school entrance for further details

# Messages from the office and myself...

Can I please remind everyone that if your child suffers from sickness or diarrhoea they need to remain off school for at least 48 hours.

A final reminder please to ensure that the office team if you are going to be late to pick up your child. We really do need to know. Thank you.

#### December election...

As you know Brindishe Lee is being used as a polling station for the General Election on Thursday 12 December. The school will remain open as usual. The polling station will be set up in the studio, with access via the gate to the year 1 and year 2 classrooms on Effingham Road **not** via the main school entrance.

### **Lee Green Cycling Bus**

Just a quick reminder, that we are having a Christmas Cycle bus on Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> December at Hither Green station at 8.00 am last Friday. Put the date in your diary!

# A message from our Rights Respecting Team...

On Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> December we are inviting all pupils and staff to take part in Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day. Everyone will be asked to wear their silliest, sparkiest or cosiest Christmas woollies and make a donation of £1.00 or any donation that can be made., to help save children's lives around the world. If your child doesn't have a festive jumper already, just dig out a plain jumper and decorate it with tinsel.

baubles or homemade snowflakes. We would really appreciate your help to make Christmas Jumper Day a huge success. To find out more please visit the event website

https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day#! and learn more about Save the Children. With your support we are looking forward to a woolly fun day! Who is the mystery Santa?



### Rights Respecting focus...

The rights respecting team have also been busy organising our competition called 'Stay bright and be seen'. The aim of the competition is to brighten your bag or coat when biking or walking to school.

Prizes will be awarded in assembly on Friday the 29th November by our very own Rights Respecting Ambassadors.



Online Safety message...

The children at Brindishe Lee are encouraged to use technology, and we value its use many uses for learning and for fun. To ensure your child has access to apps and appropriate games. At <a href="https://pegi.info/">https://pegi.info/</a> you can find age ratings, content descriptors, as well as, if games offer, in-game purchasing.

### Brindishe Lee Giving Tree 2019... A message from Ms Ferrant...

We have been absolutely overwhelmed by the generosity of our families and staff towards our Giving Tree appeal. At our assembly on Wednesday, which was attended by Mehnoor from Bexley Women's Aid, over 200 gifts were donated! These will go to children living in BWA's refugees over Christmas and also the many families they are working with, who currently have no recourse to public funds and would therefore have no means to buy Christmas presents for their children this year without your generous support. Thank you to every family that took part and put such thought into choosing their gifts.



### Allergy Aware School...

Please remember that we have children and staff with nut allergies at Brindishe Lee and we do our best to be a nut-free school. Please help us by making sure that children's packed lunches do not contain nuts. It is

worth noting that chocolate spreads do contain nuts and should be avoided. Thank you for your help in keeping all of our children and adults in school safe

#### Fantastic attendance this week!

Key stage 1: Year 2 Magnolia 97.32%
Key stage 2: Year 4 98.89%
Well done to these classes! Please remember that we are always aiming for your child to be in school every day of the week.
Our whole school attendance has slipped again this week to 97.1%.
We need to return to over 99% very soon! Please help us by making sure your child is at school every day.

### Dates for your diary...

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December** – year 4 Steve McQueen exhibition. Tate Modern.

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Christmas performance (pm) Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Christmas performance (pm and evening)

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Year 6 Royal Opera visit Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December –

General Election. The school will remain open

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – Full Governing Body Meeting at BL **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Fayre.

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 Nativity (pm)

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – KS1 Nativity (pm)

Have a lovely week, James Baguley Interim Headteacher Brindishe Lee

