

## Brindishe Green School

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Dear parents, carers, staff, governors and friends.

### Healthy Living Week

What a lovely, healthy, energetic week we have had thanks to our amazing sports team at BG. On Monday we kicked off with informative and inspiring assemblies. Ms Wheeler led our skipathon, with children dressed as their favourite sports person. On Tuesday and Wednesday, Years 1 & 2 and 3 & 4 had their sports days respectively and during these last two days the children across the school have been taking part in a cross age Daily Mile together. I have even heard that some teachers joined the children on their run!

This week our Year 3 & 4 athletics team competed at the Ladywell Arena as part of Quad Kid Athletics and came home triumphant having beaten 13 schools to 1st place! They will receive their awards next Thursday. Well done to those children and as always, to Mr Lewis for preparing them so well.

And finally we hear that the red team was the top team from the Yr 1 & 2 sports day. Well done to the red team! The top team for Yr 3 & 4 were the yellow team - well done!

### This week at Brindishe Green

On Tuesday, Ms Achenbach and I met our new Reception families and had the chance to explain to them the way things work in Early Years. Ms Achenbach is looking forward to getting to know all our new families in September. I know you too will also make them feel welcome.

### Fantastic attendance last week!

Well done to Redwood, Birch, Rowan (again) and Chestnut 2 for top attendance this week

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and to Ash, Bamboo (again) and Chestnut 3 for top punctuality.

### Diary Dates

- 26<sup>th</sup> June - Year 5 & 6 cricket team (Brindishe Blasters) at the London Youth Games
- 26<sup>th</sup> June - KS 2 choir perform at the tri-school Choral Concert from 5.30 pm at BG
- 27<sup>th</sup> June - Full Governing Body meeting at BG.
- 28<sup>th</sup> June - Year 5 & 6 to Quad Kid Athletics
- 6<sup>th</sup> July - Reception Sports Day
- 7<sup>th</sup> July - Lewisham People's Day
- 12<sup>th</sup> July - Reports to parents
- 19<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 Prom
- 20<sup>th</sup> July - End of term
- 5<sup>th</sup> September - Children return to school

### Request for Leave of Absence for Exceptional Circumstances during Term Time

Please remember that schools do not authorize term time absence **unless there are exceptional circumstances (it is not the automatic right of parents/carers)** and that:

- ❖ Children attend school for only 190 days a year out of 365.
- ❖ Please do not book your leave of absence until you have requested the permission of the Headteacher.
- ❖ If the school does not agree the absence and you take the leave without permission, or your child is absent for more than the agreed number of days, the absence will be unauthorised.
- ❖ Leave of absence taken without the authorisation of the school may lead to your child(ren) being referred to the Local Authority and the possibility of statutory action and a fine.

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### ***This week we are looking at Article 19 (protection from violence, abuse & neglect).***

Governments must do all they can to ensure that children are protected from all forms of violence, abuse, neglect and bad treatment by their parents/carers or anyone else who looks after them.

### **Keeping safe during The World Cup**

Watching The World Cup is a great way for families and friends to spend time together as they cheer on their chosen team/s. We can all learn about countries and cultures from around the world and make new friends who also enjoy watching football.

Sadly, and according to research from Lancaster University, when there are major football tournaments, incidents of racist name calling and domestic violence increase. If you are concerned about anyone you know, your own safety or your children's safety, please call the 24-hour National Domestic Violence Helpline (08082000247), Athena Service for Lewisham on 0800 112 4052 or the police.

Remember...

- There is no excuse for domestic abuse
- Adults should follow their team by drinking sensibly and arranging safe transport home.
- Celebrate the football with all its diversity - say no to racism and homophobia!

### **A note from the office**

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Please remember to pay your dinner money in good time and in advance each week. As we approach the end of term all families should make sure they have a clear account.

Please also remember that if your child is currently in Year 2, they will not be receiving a universal free school meal from September unless your circumstances are such that you are eligible to receive free school meals.

Please contact the school office if you would like more information about this.

...and finally

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our sports days and activities this week. Your support is much appreciated. We particularly enjoyed those parents who threw themselves into the various aerobic work outs!

Enjoy this lovely warm weather and have a good weekend.

Best wishes

Sarah Gorbutt  
Headteacher

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