Brindishe Green School

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Dear parents, carers, staff, governors and friends at Brindishe Green,

This week at Brindishe Green

Mr Henry reports: Year 4 visited the Horniman Museum on Monday to learn about teeth and bones. The children represented Brindishe Green proudly both in the museum and on public transport. The Year 4 team would like to say a big thank you to all the parents and carers who were able to help out with the visit.

BFG (Brindishe Friends Group) meeting.

A group of dedicated parents, carers and staff met on Tuesday to discuss the Christmas Fair being held at school on Friday 29 November from 3.30 - 5pm. They shared ideas for the fair – Santa's grotto, photo booth, children's crafts, tombola, lucky dip, treats to eat and drink, present wrapping room and much, much more! They have decided to meet again on Tuesday 12 Nov from 6 – 7pm to plan the final arrangements. Please email bfgsocials@gmail.com for more information on how to get involved and offer your support.

Developing our outdoor spaces at Brindishe Green

This year we are taking part in a charity project called Edible Playgrounds to create an exciting outdoor learning environment for growing food. We were pleased to meet with those of you who came along to the Edible Gardens meeting on Thursday to find out more about the project and discuss ideas for how our families can get involved. We will share updates with you as the project develops. For more information about Edible Playgrounds, go to:

www.treesforcities.org/our-work/edible-playgrounds

Many thanks to Tom Williamson for his hard work in getting this project off the ground.

Materials for the project will be delivered next week and work on re-designing the garden in our playground begins in earnest on 11 November and will take approximately 3 – 4 weeks. The children learned about the project in assembly on Thursday and are all very excited about becoming hands-on gardeners this year!

General Election December 12.

As you will know the government have announced a General Election for Dec 12 and Brindishe Green has been asked to be a polling station again.

As before, the main school will remain open and the Nursery classroom will become the polling station. <u>Nursery will therefore be closed to children on Dec 12</u>. We will send more information to you about how the day will work nearer the time.

Safeguarding your child

Please make sure that we have your up-to-date contact details should we need to get in touch with you about your child. You can change or add to your details on Arbor's Parent Portal (via the school website - www.brindisheschools.org) using your login.

Diary dates

- 11 Nov Edible Gardens begin work on our growing beds garden
- **12 Nov** Y5 mathematicians to Blackheath High School
- **12 Nov** BFG (Brindishe Friends Group) planning meeting for the Christmas Fair 6pm
- **14 Nov** Open Day for prospective parents and carers 9.30 10.30am, 5 6pm
- 2 Nov Turning of the Year concert (Y2 Cedar class) at Blackheath Concert Halls
- 27 Nov Year 4-6 Parent/Carer Online Safety Workshop 9.15-10.15. More information to follow.
- 29 Nov 3.30 5pm BFG Christmas Fair straight after school
- **10 Dec** Year 3 and 4 Christmas performance 9.30 and 2.15
- 11 Dec Year 1 and 2 Christmas performance 9.30 and 2.15
- **12 Dec** General Election Nursery will be closed for polling. The main school will be open.
- **12 Dec** 6pm Full Governing Body meeting at Brindishe Lee please let us know if you would like to attend as an observer and we will arrange seating for you
- 13 Dec Reception Family Festival 1pm Please note the change of date
- 16 Dec Year 5 and 6 Carol Concert at St. Swithun's Church, 6-7pm
- 18 Dec Christmas Lunch
- **19 Dec** End of term

I hope you all have a lovely weekend,

Gerlinde Achenbach Headteacher