

Brindishe Green Newsletter Friday 14th October 2022

Dear families, governors, neighbours and staff,

We would like to begin by thanking all our families who supported the school this week by either buying a cake at the BFG Bake Sale, purchasing a book from the book fair, wearing yellow on Hello Yellow Day, sponsoring Ms Cairns and Ms Waite, or donating to the AFRIL Foodbank collection. We would also like to thank the staff, the BFG, and our wonderful Year 6 children who helped to ensure all of these events ran smoothly.

In addition to all the children learning about the importance of looking after their mental health, there have been many other wonderful experiences going on across the school. Year 1 children have continued to visit our Forest School where they have been using their senses to explore the environment and carrying out art activities using natural materials. Heron class began their swimming lessons at Glass Mill and Year 6 learnt about the history of The Notting Hill Carnival. All three Year 4 classes visited one of London's hidden treasures, The Mithraeum. You would never know that there was a Roman temple hidden underneath the shiny new buildings of Bloomberg's European HQ, but our Year 4 children enjoyed exploring and finding out about this beautiful archaeological site and many of its artefacts. Thank you to all the parents who accompanied the classes and made this visit possible.

Wear Red Day 2022 - Give Racism the Red Card

CHANGE HEARTS. CHANGE MINDS. CHANGE LIVES - Every heart and every mind that we change, changes at least one life but has the capacity to change hundreds, if not thousands of others. Be a proud anti-racist. Be the difference. On Friday we are going to come together as a school to show that there is no place for racism in our school, community, city, and world. In assemblies, the children will learn more about the importance of kindness, diversity, knowledge, standing up for others and calling out racist behaviour and comments.

The charity 'Show Racism the Red Card' works in schools and other educational settings throughout the UK to offer whole range of educational training, workshops, resources and activities, all designed to educate young people and adults about the causes and the consequences of racism. On Friday, if you are able to, please donate whatever you can to this important charity.



YEAR 1-6 Meet the Teacher - Parent/Teacher Meetings

By now you will have received a message on Weduc explaining how you can book your face-to-face appointment with your child's class teacher. It is vital that one meeting is booked for every child so that you can hear how your child is progressing with their learning and social development in school. Please contact the school office if, as parents, you definitely must have two separate appointments.

The teachers have to pack a lot into each 10 minute meeting so we ask that you please ensure you come to school 10 minutes before your allocated time, so that they can run to schedule.

We look forward to welcoming you back into school again during this week.

Something Wonderful to Celebrate

We praise all the children in school for being curious, committed, confident, collaborative and compassionate.

This week, the following children have stood out for going above and beyond, and really shining!

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Rico & Bertie	Ayub & Amelia	Ousmane & Charlie
Ross & Lucia	Chloe & Maya	Ainara & Kellis
Michael & Ava	Jacob & Mila	Elizabeth & Lotta
Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Daniel & Ismail	Elsie & Pavarshan	Ariella & Hristiyana
Shia & Edie	Albioni & Jazmine	Amari & Hazeem
Rihannat & Joseph	Florence & Anita	Juan & Grace
		Angel & Leisha

Brindishe Green Flu programme 2022 – Message from School Health Immunisation Team

It is time for your child to receive their annual flu vaccination. We are now inviting parents/guardians to register your consent for the flu vaccination. We have developed a secure on-line link that you can use to register consent for your child to be vaccinated at school. The process is quick and easy to use.

Please click on this link to access the eConsent: http://qlink.uk/Li39/100687

Here's a video on how the eConsent portal works: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OUT-pAYOwF0

The vaccination is free and in most cases is a quick and simple spray up the nose. Even if your child had it last year, the type of flu can vary each winter, so it is recommended to have the flu vaccine again this year or they won't be protected. The healthcare team and school will follow guidelines to ensure your child is safe from COVID-19 while getting the vaccine.

Flu can be an unpleasant illness and can cause serious complications. Vaccinating your child will help to protect them from getting the flu, and prevent it spreading among more vulnerable family and friends. With COVID-19 in circulation it is more important than ever to reduce the number of people becoming ill with flu this winter to help protect them and the NHS.



Please contact the Lewisham School Health Immunisation Team at the Downham Health and Leisure Centre on 0203 049 1897 or lg.shsimmunisation@nhs.net if you require any further assistance.

Important Dates

October - Black History Month
21st October - Give Racism the Red Card Day
21st October - School finishes for half term
31st October - Return to school
31st October - Closing date for secondary school applications
31st - 3rd November - Year 1-6 Parent/Teacher Meetings

And Finally...

As we hope everyone knows, Brindishe Green is a Gold Rights Respecting School.

A Rights Respecting School not only teaches about children's Rights but also models Rights and Respect in all its relationships: between adults and children, between adults, and between children. In school we:

- Teach and Learn about rights: the whole school community knows what Rights all children must have.
- Teach and Learn through rights: we model rights respecting language and attitudes, and make strategic decisions that involve our children.
- Become ambassadors for the rights of others: we learn to be rights respecting citizens. Children learn to be ambassadors for the rights of others in their class, school, city, country and the world. They are change makers.

Every week, we share one of the 42 Articles/Rights, from the United Nations Convention for the Rights of the Child with you in our Federation newsletter. We will also share in our Brindishe Green Newsletter how many of the things we do in school, links to our children's Rights.

See you on Monday morning, at 8.45am. Have a lovely weekend Best wishes,

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The Brindishe Green Senior Leadership Team

A message from the Brindishe Friends Groups (BFG)

THANK YOU! - A BIG thank you to all the volunteers (parents, carers and Year 6) who helped with the Cake Bake this week - what an amazing array of cakes on offer! And of course everyone who stopped by and bought something helping us raise money for the school.

BFG TREASURER NEEDED - Can you help? We need to find someone to take on the essential role of BFG Treasurer. We have charity status so it involves some bookkeeping, banking and a few other bits and pieces. It's a great opportunity to be more involved with what's going on in the school community and help us make sure that the money raised by BFG is put to best possible use. Email: bfgsocials@gmail.com if you are interested!

GIVE A GARMENT/GRAB A GARMENT - Donations for the first clothes swap of the school year will be collected in the first week back after half term! Please keep to one side items that you think another child in the school might benefit from. We will be collecting COATS and JUMPERS only. They'll then be put on display and available for people to take the following week. We are restricting it to coats and jumpers as these are the most popular. This is open to anyone and there is no charge.

EMAIL - If you would like to be put on our list to receive more detailed updates and invites to our meetings (first one of school year will take place in w/c 17th October) please let us know: bfgsocials@gmail.com. You can follow us on Twitter: @bfghithergreen and Facebook (search 'Brindishe Friends Group').