



Brindishe
Federation

MEET THE TEACHER

September 2026

Year 5

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Priorities

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Brindishe Schools Federation Priorities 2026-2027

Securing the Best Practice, Achieving the Best Outcomes

Creating an Education without Boundaries



1 Building Capacity, Strengthening Accountability

- Teachers and staff will resume in meeting regularly in groups to share ideas and work on making things better for your children.
- As always, all our teachers and staff will have personal goals that link to our school's priorities.
- We will provide coaching, training and support to help all our staff become even better at what they do.

3 Creating Meaningful Learning Experiences

- We will focus on developing children's speaking and listening skills (oracy) alongside their reading and writing.
- We will continue to strengthen Maths Mastery in EYFS so children spend more time really understanding number concepts.

5 Every Child Seen, Heard and Valued

- We will introduce a new behaviour policy called 'Promoting Good Relationships'.
- We're continuing to expand our range of clubs, trips and special activities we offer children.
- We've carefully planned our after-school clubs, lunchtime activities and special events so they complement what children are learning in class.

2 Diversity by Design: Every Voice, Every Story

- We will regularly check our curriculum to ensure all children can see people like themselves in the stories, examples and topics we cover.
- Children will learn best when they can get hands-on and creative which is one of our main aims.
- We will continue to plan our lessons so that children with special educational needs (SEND) or those who need extra help can continue to access the same exciting learning as everyone else.

4 Excellence Without Exception

- We will use our new tracking system called INSIGHT to strengthen how we monitor all children in their learning. This will help us quickly spot if any child or group of children needs extra support.
- We are still very committed to closing any gaps in achievement, so vulnerable children make just as much progress as their classmates.

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6 Engage, Enrich, Belong

- We will work hard to make sure children attend school regularly, aiming for at least 96% attendance across the school.
- If a child misses more than 10% of school (roughly one day every two weeks), we will work closely with you and your child to understand what's making it difficult for them to attend.

8 Every Child, Every Layer, Every Day

- We will continue to plan our lessons so that all children can access the same high-quality learning, whatever their needs.
- The government is introducing changes to how schools support children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). We're preparing for these changes

10 Protecting Pupils in Every Space

- As we do every year, we're providing annual updated training for all our staff on safeguarding issues that happen outside of family life and in the digital world.
- We will further strengthen our leadership and systems in place to protect children when they're using technology at school.
- We will introduce a mobile phone policy that restricts when children can use phones at Brindishe Schools

7 Playful Minds, Happy Learners

- We're introducing OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning), which transforms playtimes into richer, more exciting experiences for children.
- We're creating even more opportunities for children to take on leadership roles and have their voices heard.
- We will continue with our 'Let's Go Zero' campaign, which means making our schools even more environmentally friendly and work towards becoming carbon neutral.

9 Beyond the Four Walls

- In our Early Years, we're focusing on 'oracy' – which simply means helping children become confident speakers and good listeners.
- We're expanding our outdoor learning and educational visits because children learn so much from hands-on experiences outside the classroom.
- We will help children understand why what they're learning matters and how it relates to their lives and the world around them by creating real-life experiences.



Attendance & Punctuality

At Brindishe Schools we believe that good attendance and punctuality are essential. Research shows that children who attend school regularly do better at school and make better progress.

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Start Time - Gates Open 8.35am/Gates Close 8.45am

Children are expected to be in school by 8.45am. Children arriving after 8.45am will be marked at 'late'

Finish Time - School Ends 3.15pm

Requests for Leave during term-time may be permitted in exceptional circumstances e.g. funeral of a direct relative, wedding of a direct relative. Holiday requests will always be marked as *unauthorised* and may resort in fines.

What if my child is going to be absent from school?

If a child is going to be absent from school, the parents/carer is responsible for letting the school office staff know the reason for the absence and the anticipated length or duration of the absence. Where no message is received about a child's absence, the absence will be recorded as *unauthorised*.

What happens if my child arrives late?

Teachers provide early learning tasks to settle the class before they begin to take the register. If children arrive late, they must go to the school office to be registered for late entry. This ensures that a record of late arrivals is made, for monitoring purposes, and also ensures that the learning of the other children is not disturbed.

Attendance & Punctuality

Planned Absences

Please ensure that you inform the office of any planned absences in advance, either by email or telephone e.g. Eid, Secondary School visits/tests.

Last Minute Collection Arrangements

Please telephone the school office before 2pm if collection arrangements for your child have changed for that day.

Pick-Up Passwords

If another adult is collecting your child, they will be required to provide a 'pick-up' password before they can take your child home. Please ensure you pass this onto the school office when you inform them of alternative collection arrangements.

Communication Channels

Absent Reporting

To report your child absent please call or email before 8.30am. Please call the school on **each day** of your child's absence.
Brindishe Green - 0208 852 7245 - info-BG@brindisheschools.org

Message for Class Teacher or a member of the Senior Leadership Team

Email info-BG@brindisheschools.org – please mark 'For Attention Of ...' followed by the name of the member of staff e.g. FAO Miss Matthews.

Extended Services – Breakfast and Tea Club

Alicia Graham (Interim Extended Services Manager) can be contacted at extendedservices-BG@brindisheschools.org
Telephone on: 020 8852 7245

General Enquiries

0208 852 7245 – info-BG@brindisheschools.org

Our preferred method of communication is via email if you cannot find the answer on the school website. Emails will be responded to within 48 hours so if it is an emergency, please call the school directly.

Nourish and School Meals

Clare Doran - schoolmeals@brindisheschools.org
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Arbor



What can you do on the Arbor App?

- Add and amend information
- See school notices
- Update child's information
- Update your information
- See your child's lessons
- See your child's attendance
- Retrieve an attendance summary for week, term and/or the year
- Book a parent/carer consultation
- Sign your child up for clubs, trip, visitors and music
- Pay for trips and clubs (where needed)
- See account balances

The Arbor App Usage Guide

For Guardians

Nourish (school meals) and FSM

To Need, To Nurture, To Nourish



Nourish is a friendly family-led school caterer with bags of initiative and a love of good food. They believe every child needs a satisfying meal at lunchtime, fuelling them for the afternoon ahead. Nurturing the importance of a healthy and balanced diet, they provide a nutritious meal every day to nourish from within.

Each day the children will have a choice of:

- Three main dishes
- A pudding OR a choice of either cheese/biscuits or yoghurt
- Freshly baked bread
- Fresh fruit
- Nine salad choices each day from the salad bar
- Milk and water

Autumn Term Menus can be found on the school website.

Cost per day: Free under the current Mayor of London's Scheme



Key Dates

We will endeavour as much as practically reasonable, to provide you with dates well in advance. Please see our 'Key Dates for Parents/Carers' document on Weduc. Class teachers will give you at least 2 weeks' notice of a planned Educational Visit.

Brindishe Green School – Draft Important Dates 2026/27

(Please note that these may change but we will give as much notice as possible)

September 2026		October 2026		November 2026		December 2026	
Wed 2 nd Sep	Inset Days - No school for children	Black History Month		16 th – 20 th Nov	Celebrating Diversity Week!	Wk beg 30 th Nov	Parent/Teacher Meetings
Thurs 3 rd Sept	Start of Autumn term Y1-6						
Year Group meetings – 9.00am Friday 4 th Sept – Year 6 Monday 7 th Sept – Year 1 Tuesday 8 th Sept – Year 2 Wednesday 9 th Sept – Year 3 Thursday 10 th Sept – Year 4 Friday 11 th Sept – Year 5 Wednesday 16 th Sept – Reception		Open Classroom 3.15-3.45pm Monday 12 th Oct – Year 1 Tuesday 13 th Oct – Year 3 Thursday 15 th Oct – Year 6		Open Classroom 3.15-3.45pm Monday 9 th Nov – Year 5 Tuesday 10 th Nov – Year 2 Wednesday 11 th Nov – Reception and Nursery Thursday 12 th Nov – Year 4		Winter Performances/ Events Tues 8 th Dec - Year 2 – 9am Tues 8 th Dec - Year 3 – 2.30pm Thurs 10 th Dec - Year 1 – 9am Thurs 10 th Dec - Year 4 – 2.30pm Tues 15 th Dec - Reception – 9am Tues 15 th Dec - Year 5 – 2.30am Wed 16 th Dec - Year 6 – 9am Thurs 17 th Dec - Nursery – 8.45am	
Tuesday 22 nd Sept 10am and 4.30pm	Sept 2027 Reception Open Day	Tues 13 th Oct 10am and 4.30pm	Sept 2027 Reception Open Day	Tuesday 17 th 10am and 4.30pm	Sept 2027 Reception Open Day	Thurs 17 th Dec	Christmas lunch and jumper day
		Mon 26 th Oct – Fri 30 th Oct	Half Term	Fri 27 th Nov	Inset Day - No school for children	Fri 18 th Dec (15 th Jan – INSET Day)	Last Day Christmas Holidays
January 2027		February 2027		March 2027		April 2027	
Mon 4 th Jan	INSET Day – No school	Open Classroom 8.40 – 9.15am Tuesday 2 nd Feb – Year 3 Wednesday 3 rd Feb – Year 1 Thursday 4 th Feb – Year 6 Tuesday 9 th Feb – Year 5 Wednesday 10 th Feb – Year 2 Thursday 12 th Feb – Year 4 Tuesday 9 th Feb – Reception 3.15-3.45pm		Dates TBC	Parent/Teacher Meetings	Fri 26 th March – Mon 9 th April	Easter Holidays
Tues 5 th Jan	Start of Spring term			Thurs 25 th March	Inset Day - No school for children	Mon 12 th April	Start of Summer term
						Dates TBC	School Photographer
Tuesday 12 th Jan 10am and 4.30pm	Sept 2027 Reception Open Day	Mon 15 th – Fri 19 th Feb	Half Term	Fri 26 th March – Mon 9 th April	Easter Holidays		

Term Dates: 2026–2027

Autumn Term

Thursday 3rd September 2026 to Friday 23 October 2026

Half-term: Monday 26 October 2026 to Friday 30 October 2026

Monday 2 November 2026 to Friday 18 December 2026

Spring Term

Tuesday 5 January 2027 to Friday 12 February 2027

Half-term: Monday 15 February 2027 to Friday 19 February 2027

Monday 22 February 2027 to Wednesday 24 March 2027

Summer Term

Monday 12 April 2027 to Friday 28 May 2027

(the early May bank holiday will be taken on 3 May)

Half-term: Monday 31 May 2027 to Friday 4 June 2027

Monday 7 June 2027 to Wednesday 21 July 2027

INSET DAYS

Wednesday 2 September 2026

Friday 27 November 2026

Monday 4 January 2027

Thursday 25 March 2027

Thursday 22 July 2027

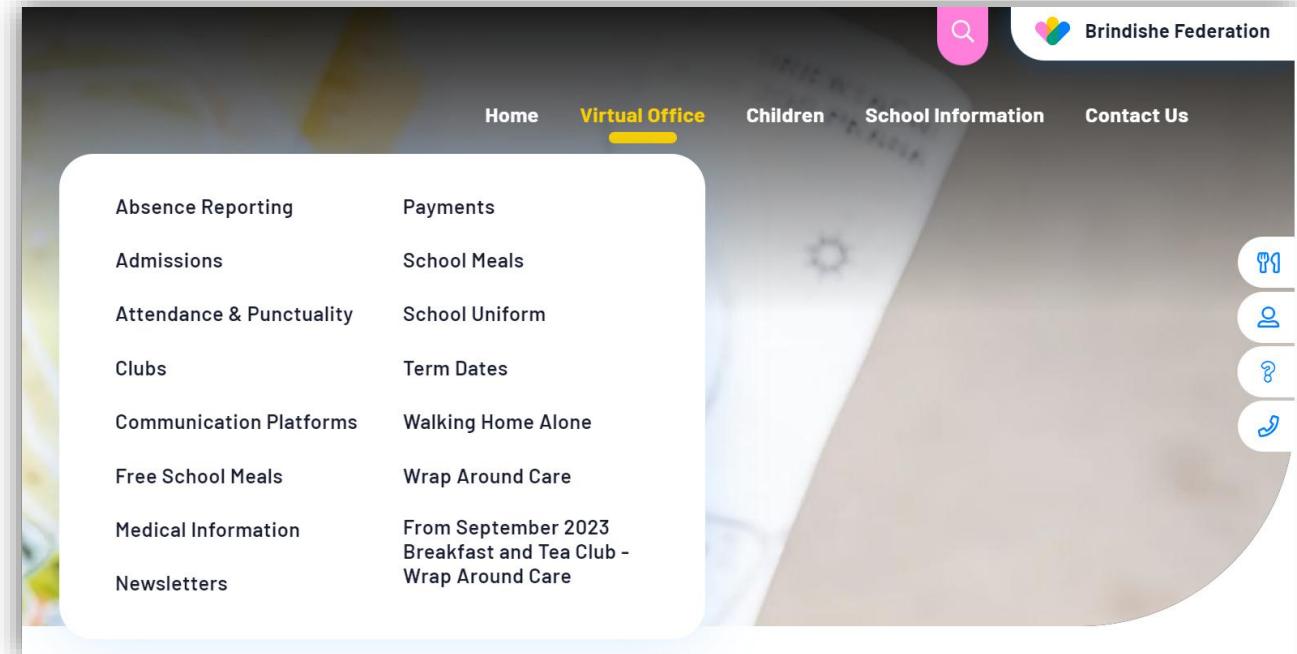
Website

The Brindishe Federation and school website provides all key information needed for parents/carers.

The website includes:

- School Policies, including Attendance, Admissions, Complaints and RSHE
- Meet our Governing Body
- Nourish Termly Menus
- The Brindishe Curriculum and Year Group Overviews
- Data and Performance Measures
- External Reviews – Ofsted
- Typical School Day
- How to support your child at home
- Clubs and Wrap Around Care
- Weekly federation and school newsletters
- Reading
- Equalities & Diversity
- PTAs
- And much more.

The website also provides a virtual office function – please visit the virtual office for all your daily enquiries and needs.



Website – Class Pages

HOME → BRINDISHE GREEN → CHILDREN → YEAR 6

Year 6

Teaching Team

Rachel Supple

Catherine Harris

Kieran Richardson

Welcome to Year 6

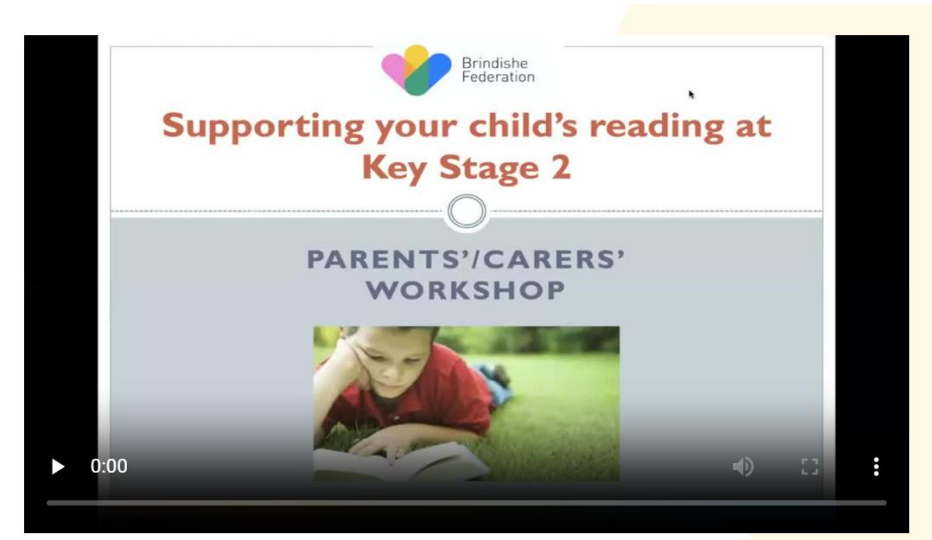
Year 6 is the final year of primary school and our children at Brindishe Schools continue to experience an exciting, broad and balanced curriculum so that they are prepared and ready to embark on their next stage of education at secondary school. At Brindishe Schools, we have developed a curriculum overview for each year group which details the focus for each subject in each half term. Please click on the Year 6 curriculum overview below to find out more:

[Year 6 CURRICULUM OVERVIEW](#)

In Year 6, the children will focus on the end of Key Stage 2 National Curriculum assessments, otherwise known as the Standard Assessment Tests (SATs). However, we want the children's final year to be full of exciting learning opportunities so our aim is that there will also be plenty of fun and valuable learning.

English

In Year 6 we want our children to have lots of opportunities to read independently both at home and school and to read across a range of genres. Our children continue to build on their comprehension skills as they analyse more complex books and share their understanding of characters, themes and text types. You can find out more about supporting your child's reading at Key Stage 2 by clicking on the link below.



- Curriculum Overviews
- Videos to support learning
- Core Subject Specific Information (Maths and English)
- Spelling Lists
- Teaching Teams
- Newsletters

End of Year Expectations



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End of Year Expectations Year 6

This booklet provides some information for parents/carers on the end of year expectations for children in our school. The complete National Curriculum can be found here: [National curriculum in England: primary curriculum - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/national-curriculum)

The National Curriculum outlines these expectations as being the minimum requirements your child should meet each year. We have included the most important elements of reading, writing and Maths here, but all of the objectives will be focused on throughout the year as part of your child's lessons.

Any extra support you can provide in helping your child to achieve these expectations is greatly valued. If you have any queries regarding these expectations or would like support in knowing how to help your child with these, please see the class teacher.

Overwhelming response and feedback from parent/carer survey indicated a want and need for clearer end of year expectations for your children.

Today, all families will receive the 'End of Year Expectations' booklet. We hope this will support you in knowing where how your child is progressing and how to support at home.

Reading

Word Reading

- I can apply knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes to read aloud and to understand the meaning of unfamiliar words
- I can read further exception words, noting the unusual correspondences between spelling and sound
- I attempt pronunciation of unfamiliar words drawing on prior knowledge of similar looking words
- I can re-read and read ahead to check for meaning

Comprehension

- I am familiar with and can talk about a wide range of books and text types, including myths, legends and traditional stories and books from other cultures and traditions. I can discuss the features of each
- I can read non-fiction texts and identify the purpose, structure and grammatical features, evaluating how effective they are
- I can identify significant ideas, events and characters; and discuss their significance
- I can recite poems by heart, e.g. narrative verse, haiku
- I can prepare poems and plays to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding

How can school and home collaborate and work together?



Join our PTA – Brindishe Friends Group – Over £20,000 raised last year which contributed to the hall acoustics and will fund the OPAL Playground initiative.

Trips and Visitors can be paid for online via Arbor – ***without your contributions trips and enrichment opportunities cannot go ahead.***

We strive to communicate with you as much as possible and in a timely manner. Please remember that communication channels are via info-BG@brindisheschools.org.

Engage with Arbor and the school website as much as possible, especially when paying for clubs, trips and music.

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MEET THE YEAR GROUP TEAM

Meet the Team

			
Rachel Supple Class Teacher and Phase Lead Cassowary	Cleo Lewis Class Teacher Heron	James Campbell-Warner Class Teacher Macaw	Katie Matthews Headteacher PPA
			
Zoe Dixon Teaching Assistant	Reba Ayi-Sobsa Teaching Assistant	Aaron Horward HLTA PPA Heron Class - Thursday	

Yearly Overview

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Links	Computing and PSHME	Geography and science		Art and science	PSHME and science	RE and PHSME
MFL	My school, my subject	Time in the city	Healthy eating — going to the market	Clothes, colours, fashion show	Out of this world	At the seaside
Art	Typography and maps Explore how to create typography through drawing and design.		Mixed media land & city scapes Use a variety of media to capture the spirit of a place.		Architecture: dream big or small? Explore the responsibilities architects have to design a better world.	
Music	Livin' on a prayer Rock	Classroom Jazz 1 Jazz	Make you feel my love Ballad	The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air Hip Hop	Dancing in the Street Motown	Reflect, rewind and re-play Western classical music
History	Ancient Greeks		Tudors			Benin
Geography		Volcanoes		Rivers	Mountains	
R.E.	Islam 3 Ramadan and Id ul Fitr	Islam 4 Hajj and Id ul Adha Muslim visitor	Hinduism 4 Pilgrimage	Christianity 8 Jesus, human and divine	Sikhism 4 Belonging to the Sikh Community	Christianity 9 Leading a Christian life Foodbank visit/visitor
PE	Golf Fitness	Netball Dance	Football Yoga	Tag Rugby Gymnastics	Cricket Athletics	Tennis Dance Dodgeball
PSHME	Relationships education		Living in the wider world		Health Education	
Science	Living things and their habitats – life cycles of living things	Properties and changes of materials	Forces	Earth and Space	Animals, including humans – changes through to old age	Science catch-up as working scientifically happens throughout the year.
Computing	Computer systems and networks Sharing information	Creating Media Video editing	Programming A Selection in physical computing	Data and information Flat-file databases	Creating media Vector drawing	Programming B Selection in quizzes
Design and technology	Structures Umbrellas/Kites		Mechanisms Moving toys		Textiles Slippers	

Autumn Term Overview

English

We will begin the year by writing a non-chronological report about our class bird before moving on to creating a character description for one of the Greek gods or goddess.

Maths

Our focus in Maths will be Number: determining place value, multiples of 1,000 up to 1,000,000, We will continue to explore negative numbers and rounding for estimates and of course ensure that the children retain their times table knowledge they worked so hard to secure in year 4.

Science

We will be growing our knowledge of life processes and cycles for plants, insects, birds, amphibians and mammals (excluding humans as this is covered in the summer term). We will compare how different living creatures reproduce and make use of different habitats.

Art/Music/Dance/Drama

We begin the year exploring the art of Typography and Maps. The children will continue with a weekly singing assembly and in class we will focus on jazz music. Movement and drama will be woven into many aspects of the curriculum but particularly when learning about ancient Greek mythology.

History/Geography

We will be learning about life in Ancient Greece which will include looking at the human and physical geography of the country.

PSHME

We will discuss and learn about respecting ourselves and others, focussing on our rights, discrimination and prejudice.

RE

Year 5 will be learning about Islam, with a focus on Ramadan and Eid al-Fitr.

ICT

Computing will have a focus on computer systems and how to collaborate online. We will also be looking at what makes healthy friendships, both in person and online.

MFL

Children will learn how to express their opinions and feelings, starting with discussing different school subjects.

P.E.

We will improve our team working skills through Team Building skills and activities, keep ourselves active and develop key movement and hand-eye co-ordination skills with weekly sessions of hockey and fitness. There will also be 2 weeks of daily swimming lessons.

Planned enrichment opportunities, trips and visits.

Swimming

Cassowary: Monday 14th September to Friday 25th September

Macaw: Monday 28th September to Friday 9th October

Heron: Friday 12th October to Friday 23rd October

Cinema: Wednesday 25th November 2026

Over the course of Year 5 we are planning on visiting the following places: British Museum, Deptford Creekside, Science Museum. We are planning visits from Zoolabs and the Fire Brigade.

PE Expectations and dates

	Cassowary	Heron	Macaw
Indoor	Tuesday	Wednesday	Monday
Outdoor	Thursday	Thursday	Friday

Please ensure your child comes to school wearing appropriate clothing for PE:

- trainers NOT CROCS
- leggings, shorts or tracksuit bottoms
- t-shirt, sweatshirt/hoodie

If your child has asthma, make sure you have given their asthma care plan, and blue asthma and spacer pump to the school office.

Swimming

Cassowary: Monday 14th September to Friday 25th September

Macaw: Monday 28th September to Friday 9th October

Heron: Friday 12th October to Friday 23rd October

Home-Learning Expectations

We will give the children home learning on Sumdog and BugClub. They will relate to the week's learning and embed important concepts or techniques.

The tasks will include:

- **A grammar or reading task**
- **A maths task**
- **Spelling practice**

We are also sending home a 'Me book' in which to complete fortnightly activities. There will be activities to complete, and you can choose which activity to complete each week. We would like our children to bring in their Me books in by the date printed at the bottom of the task, and we will share our fabulous learning, in class, once a fortnight.

There will be a termly project – this term's will be due in the latter part of Autumn term (1st December)

This half term, we are asking Year 5 to research, design and create a detailed poster about a particular ancient Greek God or Goddess. Your poster must contain their name, their powers and what they are the God/Goddess of. Be sure to make your poster well presented and eye catching.

Optional extensions:

- Research traditional Greek food and have a go at creating a dish at home with your family. Take photos if possible or simply write down the recipe and instructions.
- Design and create your own labyrinth – this could be drawn or created with cardboard/string.

How parents/carers can support at home

Read to your child for ten minutes every day.

We cannot understate how important this is and how much your children still enjoy being read to!

Support them with any home learning tasks.

Ask them to show you their Sumdog tasks and get them to explain how they work them out. Engage with their Me Book task and remember not everything will need a written record – photos work too.

Establish a good night-time and morning routine

No screens an hour before sleep, a story before bed and a solid 10 hours of sleep.

A bright start, a healthy breakfast, and a (refillable) bottle of water for the day.

Converse with your child about what they're learning

Talking about what they've learnt embeds the teaching!



How to contact us

Class teachers are always available for brief informal chats on the playground at the end of the day.

For more formal and longer meetings or phone calls, please email info-BG@brindisheschools.org and mark the email 'For the Attention Of....' followed by the class teachers name e.g. FAO Miss Supple.

Any Questions?