Newsletter Friday 8th March 2024

What has been happening this week?

Thank you to all the children, families and staff who supported our World Book Day celebrations this week. We enjoyed welcoming parents/carers into school to read and it was great to see so many people getting cozy and reading a book in their pjs and comfy clothes. Thank you to everyone who also bought a book at the book fair (it will run next week) or a cake/toy/book at the BFG sale

This was a busy week for our Year 5 children. On Wednesday they took part in a fantastic mini first aid course and on Thursday they went to Sutcliffe Park as part of their gymnastics lessons. Also on Thursday 22 out of 26 of our Nursery families enjoyed a visit to Mudchute Farm. They had a great time meeting and feeding some of the animals. This week, Year 6 shared with their parents/carers what they had learnt about Anne Frank and her family. Parents commented on their knowledge and how confident they were in presenting.

What is happening next week?

Next week two of our Year 4 classes are going to The British Museum as part of their history learning (the third class is going later in the term). Thank you to all the parents who have signed the permission slip and agreed to support on the visit.

Nearly all of our families have now signed our Local Visit Consent form (these are for visits in the local area that the children can easily walk to - you will always know about these visits in advance). If you haven't signed, a member of staff will be in touch with you over the next couple of weeks.

Run Mr Twyford, Run!

We are delighted to let you know that Mr Josh Twyford (Reception, Sparrow Class), has been allocated a place in The London Marathon on Sunday 21st April. **He is running to raise money for new books and stories for our children in school!**

He will tell us more about how his training is going over the coming months, but if you would like to sponsor him, please click on the link and you will be taken to his Crowdfunding page! <u>Click here!</u>

We can't wait to cheer you on Mr Twyford!

Easter Egg Donation

Lewisham Foodbank are collecting Easter eggs and treats.

If you would like to, please bring in your donation on **Friday 15th March** so that we can take it to the foodbank.

Please only bring it in on this day! Thank you!



Easter 2024

Brindishe

CAN YOU HELP TO ENSURE THAT EVERY CHILD HAS AN EASTER TREAT THIS YEAR?

Eggy donations can be dropped to Lewisham Foodbank Warehouse 353H Bromley Road SE6 2RP

Monday - Friday 9 am - 4 pm BY 20 MARCH PLEASE (to ensure we can distribute them before Easter)

Ramadan

Fasting in the month of Ramadan, the month of revelation of the Holy Qur'an, is an obligation for all Muslims past the age of puberty. This year, Ramadan is scheduled to run between March 10th to April 9th.

If you would like your child to fast when they are in school, please email the school office with more information (child's name, class, fasting arrangements). This is so that class and lunchtime staff are aware and know to keep a close eye on them. If we have any questions or are worried about their well-being we will be in touch.

The Front Door!

Please can we remind all parents, carers, families and children that they should not open the front door of the building to anyone, or prop it open to allow anyone in. This includes families dropping off and collecting from Breakfast and Tea Club. Our staff need to know who is entering the school building so that they know who is on site.

If you or your child is coming into school, please always ring the bell and wait to be let in. Thank you.

Parent/Carer Teacher Meetings

We will be holding our Spring Nursery to Year 6 Parent/Carer Teacher meetings during **week beginning 18th March**. You are able to book your appointment now through School Cloud/Weduc and the booking system will close on Sunday 17th March at 9pm. Please book as soon as you can to avoid disappointment. We look forward to welcoming you all during this week.

Breaktime Snack

Children in Years 3-6 are only permitted to bring in **fruit or chopped vegetables** for their mid morning snack. Please ensure they are not bringing in crisps, sweets, biscuits or chocolate. Thank you

Something Wonderful to Celebrate

These children have been praised this week for their wonderful learning and behaviour in school.

E Penguin	Hugo & Megan	
Cormorant	Khaleb & Scarlett	
Shoebill	Elsie & Sirik	
Macaw	Thevishan & Kadijah	
Heron	Neveah & Dominic	
Cassowary	Janushan & Abigail	
Hornbill	Ousmane & Harrison	
Red Kite	Marley & Manil	
Puffin	Alia & Zahra	
Magpie	Magpie Class	
Hawk	Hawk Class & Thisani	
Kingfisher	Kingfisher Class	
Woodpecker	Sebastian & Agnes	
Parakeet	Aiden & Thando	
Kestrel	Corin & Jasmine	
Swift	Ilaai & Milo	
Little Owl	Leyre & Shahan	
Goldfinch	Genevieve & Marcus	



Attendance and Punctuality

Overall school attendance this week:	95%	
Top classes with attendance	Sparrow	98%
over 95%:	Hawk	98%
	Robin	97 %
A huge well done to Sparrow	Emperor Penguin	97%
class who had 98% attendance this week	Heron	96%
Top classes with all children	Robin, Emperor Penguin,	
in on time	Shoebill	
	Huge well done to them all	
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Important Dates in Feb and March

February 2024		March 2024	
Tues 6 th Feb 8.45 – 9.15 am	Open Classroom Years 1, 3, 5	Week beg 18 th March	Parent/Teacher Meetings
Thurs 8 th Feb 8.45 – 9.15 am	Open Classroom Years 2, 4, 6	Thurs 28 th March	Last day of term
Mon 12 th – Fri 16 th Feb	Half Term	Fri 29 th March – Fri 12 th April	Easter Holidays





A message from the Brindishe Friends Group

BIG HALF NEWS - Exciting news just in - we've just had confirmation that we've secured a number of places for The Big Half running event.

It takes place on **Sunday 1st September** over a course of 13.1 miles. There is a £15 entry fee and then a £10 donation but no minimum fundraising target.

Here's more info: <u>https://www.thebighalf.co.uk/</u>.

Anyone interested in taking part please email <u>bfgsocials@gmail.com</u>

WORLD BOOK DAY SALE: THANK YOU! - Thank you to everyone who came to our World Book Day toy, game, book and cake sale.And thank you for everyone who donated something. We were blown away by your generosity.

We'll let you know how much we raised as soon as we can.









