

Newsletter

Friday 7th February 2025



What has been happening this week?

This week our Nursery children visited Manor House Gardens library with their teachers and parents. They enjoyed looking at wildlife in the park and reading stories in library. Thank you to everyone who made the visit a success.



Also this week, some Year 6 children from across the federation met at Brindishe Manor for a special writing workshop. They wrote some beautiful pieces and impressed their teachers with their imagination and commitment.

And finally, today we all had a wonderful day celebrating Number Day! We were so impressed with the number of children and staff who came to school wearing numbered clothes. Thank you to everyone who participated.

Children's Mental Health Week

This week children have been learning about looking after their mental health as part of national Children's Mental Health Week. Teachers shared resources and Ms Debbie led an assembly for Years 3 and 4.

If you would like to learn more...[please click on this link.](#)

What is happening next week?

On Monday, our Year 4 classes will visit The Science Museum. Thank you to all our parent/carer volunteers who have offered to support.

Next Tuesday is Safer Internet Day, and the children from across the school will learn about the importance of keeping safe while online.

Although this is something we are continuously educating the children on, Tuesday is a national day to remind everyone of how to keep themselves safe.



Also next week, you are welcome to come into your child's class for their Open Classroom. Please come straight up to the classroom with your child, on the selected morning.

February 2025	
Tues 11 th Feb 8.35 – 9.15 am	Open Classroom Years 1, 3, 5
Wed 12 th Feb 8.35 – 9.15 am	Open Classroom Reception
Thurs 13 th Feb 8.35 – 9.15 am	Open Classroom Years 2, 4, 6



SEND Surgery -

13th February 2-4pm with Miss Dee. Due to popular demand, more appointments have been added. Please check Weduc to book your slot.



Manipulative Marketing in Mobile Games - Better Internet for Kids

Children are increasingly becoming major components in the online games industry. **Many games are deceptively pay to play, whilst claiming to be free.** For most of these apps the download is free but most of the gameplay is locked. Free in the context of apps is a highly flexible term. Online gaming firms use the ‘free’ label to draw in players, whom when talking about minors may be attractive due solely to that quality. Money making tactics such as these, can be hard to detect even for adults. Their use of bright colours, distracting music and other methods can be highly persuasive in gaining players. **Better Internet for Kids** has crafted a learning module designed to explore digital marketing tactics. **You will learn why companies use these tactics and how they can impact your child and their rights.** You will also learn how you can support your child to spot and avoid these issues, as well as where you can seek help and support.

If interested, please follow the link below:
[Clink Link](#)

Something Wonderful to Celebrate

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

E Penguin	Rihannat & Yachen
Cormorant	Moni & Aamina
Shoebill	Amara & Ayla
Macaw	Brayden & Renaye
Heron	Maya & Lina
Cassowary	Reo & Alexandra
Hornbill	Hornbill Class
Red Kite	Jahzyion & Brandon
Puffin	Sophia & Daniel
Magpie	Hannah, Harold and Magpie poets
Hawk	Eva & Harper-Rose
Kingfisher	Danilo & Felix
Woodpecker	Aisha & Genevieve
Parakeet	Mohammed & Lilly
Kestrel	Sofia & Ilaaï
Swift	Finn & Diego
Little Owl	Aaliyah & Elsa
Goldfinch	Euan & Arlo

A Few Reminders

We share the following information with our new families when they join our school, and we wanted to take the opportunity to remind everyone of a few points that help our school run smoothly and safely:

- Children must come off their scooters and bikes before they reach the school gate. These should be pushed to the racks. They must not ride them until they have left the school premises.
- Only a watch and stud earrings can be worn in school. Children should not wear bracelets, necklaces, hooped/dangly earrings or Smart Watches.
- We ask that adults come off their mobile phones before coming through the school gates please.
- Dogs should be left outside the school gates.
- Children must not bring in any nuts or nut-based products, such as chocolate hazelnut spreads. No sweets or chocolate bars please.
- Children must only bring in water to drink - no juice or squash please
- If your child needs to have medication in school, including epi-pens or asthma pumps, please bring this to the school office on the first day in a clearly labelled bag with your child’s name, DOB and class. These must not be kept in children’s bags.
- Please do not buy a big bag for your child. It is tricky to fit 30 big bags and coats into our small cloakroom.

Attendance and Punctuality

Overall school attendance this week:	95.04%	
Top CLASSES with attendance over 98%	Red Kite Macaw Goldfinch Cormorant Kestrel	98.72% 98.35% 98.02% 97.79% 97.69%
A huge well done to you all!		
The Top Classes for BEST punctuality:	Swift, Shoebill, and Little Owls A huge well done to you all! 👏	

Some Important Dates - Spring Term

January 2025		February 2025	
Mon 6 th Jan	INSET Day – No school	Tues 11 th Feb 8.35 – 9.15 am	Open Classroom Years 1, 3, 5
Tues 7 th Jan	Start of Spring term	Wed 12 th Feb 8.35 – 9.15 am	Open Classroom Reception
		Thurs 13 th Feb 8.35 – 9.15 am	Open Classroom Years 2, 4, 6
		Mon 17 th – Fri 21 st Feb	Half Term

A message from the Brindishe Friends Group



We'll get £2 for every person who supports us on easyfundraising

This month only

easyfundraising

One of the easiest ways to support the BFG is to sign up to easyfundraising. It's simple: shop with 8,000+ online retailers and we'll receive a free donation every time. We've already raised over £850.

And this month only, if you register to support us via the easyfundraising app, we get £2! (and you don't need to spend a penny). Just download the app and choose to support Brindishe Friends Group:

[Click here!](#)

Spring Discos - Friday 7 March

Tickets will be on sale next week for our Spring Discos! The discos will take place on:

- Friday 7 March: at 4-5pm for Years 1, 2 & 3,
- Friday 7 March: 5.30-6.30pm for Years 4, 5 & 6.

We'll be selling tickets in the playground next week after school. They will also be available to purchase online from 12 noon on Monday via this link: [Click here!](#)

We are also looking for volunteers to help out on the day of the discos. If you would like to get involved, please speak to a BFG committee member or email bfgsocials@gmail.com.



BFG Dates for your Diary

7 March 2025 - Spring Discos

27 March - Preloved Book & Toy Sale

4 July - Brindishe Green Summer Fair

Date TBC - Summer term coffee morning

For more information, please visit our Linktree website: [Click here!](#)



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