

Newsletter

Friday 20th June 2025



What has been happening this week?

Reception children went to **The National Gallery** to look at beautiful paintings. Thank you to all the families who support, especially as it was so hot.

Year 1 went river dipping on Wednesday morning. They had a great time in **Manor Park** - thank you again to the families who supported.

Year 4 children welcomed a parent drummer and went to **Manor House Gardens** as part of their Science and Art learning.

Year 5 children went to **St Matthews Academy** for exciting Sportacus workshops. It was a very hot day and they all did very well.

Brindishe Federation - Careers Day - We welcomed many visitors on Friday who came to talk about their careers. They were joined by Brindishe Manor and Brindishe Lee. Guest speakers included: a journalist, a social worker, a head of marketing, a barrister, a roofer, an acoustic consultant, a photographer, an editor from Warner Brothers, a gym instructor, and 2 representatives from the army.

The event was opened by Lewisham Council Cabinet Member for Inclusive Regeneration and Planning, Cllr James-J Walsh, and closed by inspirational speaker and former The Apprentice contestant Keyode Damali. A huge thank you goes to all the visitors who took time off work, prepared presentations and travelled to be with us.



What is happening next week?

Next week we will be busy with our Reception to Year 3 Sports Days. Please check the calendar below for your day. We will aim to start in the playground at 9.10am. Children must remember to bring their own bottle of water. See Weduc for more information. All parents/carers are welcome but please remember that any photographs or videos taken must be for personal use only, and not shared with others.

On Wednesday, the community nursing team will visit the school and our Reception children will complete their hearing and vision NHS tests. No school on Friday for children!



Hot, Sunny Weather

We are all delighted to see the sun shine and welcome the longer days. Please remember that during this time:

- Every child should bring in a bottle of **water**.
- Shoulders and tummies should be **covered**.
- Children must still wear **trainers/closed toe shoes** - no sandals, flips flops or Crocs.
- Jumpers/cardigans should be **labelled**.
- **Sunscreen** must be applied before school. If it needs to be reapplied, please bring the bottle to the school office, where your child will have to apply it themselves.

No School on Friday

Please remember....No school on Friday 27th June for children! Please help to spread the word. This is our final staff INSET day of the academic year. School will open again on Monday 30th June as normal.

Educational Psychologist Drop-Ins

We are delighted to be able to offer in person, drop-in sessions with our EP again this year. These will take place on **Monday 30th June**. She will be offering appointments between **9am and 2pm**, and each session is half an hour long. She will be able to talk to you about anything that is impacting on your child’s education – it could be something specific like a learning need, or it could be a social or emotional need, for example friendship issues or a family separation. Email Jessica Dee to request an appointment: BGinclusion@brindisheschools.org Please note appointments are limited and we will prioritise requests from families who have not already seen the EP or Drumbeat this year.

Brindishe Schools Governing Body

Governing Body meetings are held every half term. Parents/carers are more than welcome to attend our meetings as ‘observers’. If you would like to know more about the governing body or you would like to attend one of our meetings, please email Rachel Waite - rawaite@brindisheschools.org.

Our last meeting for 2024/2025 will be held on Tuesday 15 July 2025 at Brindishe Lee School - 6pm.

E Penguin	Bryan & Fenella
Cormorant	Jeremiah & Idrees
Shoebill	Daniel & Jacob
Macaw	Harrison & Hamidah
Heron	Heron Class
Cassowary	Reo & Zara
Hornbill	Shinead and Thisani
Red Kite	Red Kite Class
Puffin	Chadwick & Kevwe
Magpie	Corin and Abdul
Hawk	Hawk Class
Kingfisher	Kingfisher class
Woodpecker	Chaela & Farhan
Parakeet	Iyla B & Layal
Kestrel	Kestrel Class
Swift	Shaik & Rafik
Little Owl	Zanayah & Finn
Goldfinch	Eden & Arlo



This week’s signs are...

‘food’ and ‘drink.’

Tap once

Food

Small movement

Drink

Food - Tap your fingers to the side of your mouth once.
To eat - Tap twice.

Drink - Pretend to hold a cup and tip towards your mouth.

Happy signing everyone!

Makaton - Sign of the Week

Makaton is a unique communication programme that uses symbols (pictures), signs (gestures) and speech to enable people to communicate. We use Makaton in school in the Early Years and KS1, and teach older children the signs as well. Every week we will share with you the sign the children have learnt, so that you can use them at home too.

Attendance and Punctuality

Overall school attendance this week:	94.5%	
Well Done Macaw over 98% Attendance:	Macaw	98.4%
	Robin	98.2%
	Redkite	98.0%
	Cassowary	97.8%
	Cormorant	96.9%
Amazing Everyone 😊		
Top Classes for BEST punctuality:	Little Owls, Woodpecker & Goldfinch A huge well done! 😊	

Some Important Dates - Summer Term

June 2025		July 2025	
Wk beg 9 th June	Year 1 Phonics check	Date TBC	End of Year Reports to parents/carers
Fortnight beg 2 nd June	Year 4 Times Tables	Year Group Performance - 9.00am Year 4 – Tuesday 1 st July Year 1 – Thursday 3 rd July	
27 th June	INSET Day – school closed to children	Open Classrooms – 3.15-3.45 Years 1, 2, 3 – Tuesday 8 th July Years 4, 5, 6 – Thursday 10 th July	
Sports Days – 9.10am 23 rd June - Rec – Playground 24 th June - Year 1 – Playground 25 th June - Year 2 – Playground 26 th June - Year 3 – Playground 5 th June - Year 4/5/6 – Ladywell Arena		Year 6 Transition Events Performance – Thursday 17 th July Festival – Monday 21 st July Leavers' Assembly – Tuesday 22 nd July	
		Tues 22 nd July	Last day of school
		Wed 23 rd July	Summer holidays

A message from the Brindishe Friends Group






Reception Toy and Book Sale


Last week's Toy & Book Sale raised almost £80! This will go towards one of our projects that directly support the children of Brindishe Green.


Special thanks to BFG member Barbara for managing this event so brilliantly, and to all the parents and carers who supported us.


Summer Fair - Friday 4 July, 3-5pm

 The Summer Fair is nearly here – Friday 4 July! 

 Raffle tickets are now on sale and we have over 20 amazing prizes to be won, including:

 An Amazon Kindle Fire

 A £200 Virgin Experience Days voucher

 A £150 Café Murano voucher


...and much more!

Get your tickets:


 Online:  Summer Fair - Friday 4 July, 3-5pm 


- Our Summer Fair is on Friday 4 July after school. Make sure you put the date in your diary!
- Tickets for our Summer Fair raffle go on sale next week - we'll be selling tickets in the playground before and after school on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.


We will also be collecting tombola contributions and donations of pre-loved toys and chapter books, so please start clearing out your cupboards and help us collect a great selection of prizes.


 Or in the playground before/after school (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday)


We're also collecting donations for the raffle & tombola (in the playground before/after school on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday):


 Unopened bottles


 Chocolates & sweets




 Gifts for kids & adults

 New/unopened children's toys

 Vouchers (shops, experiences, kids' activities)

 Plus: good quality second-hand chapter books for the book stall

 We still need volunteers to help make the day a success – see how you can get involved:

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SUMMER FAIR RAFFLE!

STAR prizes including...

Amazon Kindle Fire tablet!

generously donated by **Bryan & Keegan**

£200 Virgin Experience voucher!

£150 Cafe Murano voucher!

Plus prizes and vouchers from...

Found Hope • Squishmallows • Tara Riley
Pilates • London Transport Museum • Aiko
Chandler Wright • Lorraine Gill Therapy
Colfes Swim Academy • The EVERYbody PT
pedal it • The Station • Cabana • Perform
Zhulin Hidden Village • Anytime Fitness
You Don't Bring Me Flowers and more!

Tickets £1.00



With huge thanks to all our
supporters and prize donors!

