

# Newsletter

Friday 28th March 2025



## What has been happening this week?

This week we have seen most of our parents and carers come into school to meet with their child's class teacher. Thank you to everyone who came for this important meeting, and thank you to the staff who led the meetings.

Also this week, our **Year 2** children and staff visited the Ragged School Museum as part of their learning about The Victorians. A special mention must go to Mr Smith, Mel and Rez who kindly agreed to go twice.

On Tuesday, our **Nursery** children were visited by Cheryl, our wonderful School Patrol Officer, who talked to them about keeping safe when crossing the road. On Thursday our Nursery families visited Mudchute Farm together with Joan and Lorraine.



Also on Tuesday, the children enjoyed our **Vegetable Power Day**, receiving stickers and yummy vegetable pizza.

On Wednesday, **Platform Cricket** used our school to hold their interviews for new coaches. Our Year 6 children were therefore treated to a special one-off lesson.

## Important Message about the Front Door

It is essential that ALL adults ensure that the front door is firmly closed when entering or leaving. Please do not hold the door open for others without checking office staff know someone else has entered the building.

## Goodbye and Thank You, Ms O'Brien

We are sad to let you know that Ms Ashlene O'Brien will be leaving Brindishe Green after the Easter break. Ms O'Brien joined the school in September 2018 and during her time with us has worked in Year 5, Year 3 and as a PPA teacher. She has been a valuable member of the team and we thank her for all her hard work and commitment during her time with us. She has now taken on a new full time role in a school closer to her home, and we wish her all the very best.

School finishes next Friday 4th at 3.15pm for the Easter Break. We will return to school on Tuesday 22nd April.

## What is happening next week?

Next week we will be joined by children's Author Karen Arthur, who will run a special assemblies for **Years 1-3**. She will also speak to the children in Year 5 and 6 who run the school magazine.



On Thursday, **Heron class** will visit Sutcliff Park to take part in some special Gymnastics Lessons.

Finally, **Eid Mubarak**, to our Muslim families and staff this weekend.



## Great Resources - Techosaurus and Lego Build & Talk!

Talking regularly with your child can help keep them safe online. Having this conversation helps to prepare your child from an early age, so they can safely explore the internet and know who to speak to if things go wrong. It's also important to listen to your child and give them a chance to talk about what they're experiencing online, what apps and sites they use and who they're talking to.



The NSPCC have produced another wonderful resource to help parents and carers have conversations with younger children about keeping safe online - Techosaurus! Click here for more information - **Techosaurus!**

Another great resource for families are the **Lego Build and Talk Activities**. Our story-style Build & Talk activities, created for children ages 6 to 9, support families with a playful way to engage in otherwise difficult conversations about digital safety topics while playing with LEGO® bricks. You'll also find handy discussion starters to get the conversation going as you Build & Talk together.



For older children, there are a bank of other resources and top tips with how to talk to them about keeping safe while using laptops, iPads or mobile phones - **NSPCC online resources**.



Remember, children should not use the internet unsupervised and parents/carers must set **parental controls** on all devices. It is the adult's responsibility to keep children safe online.

## Something Wonderful to Celebrate

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

E Penguin	Shia & Daphne
Cormorant	Nikolai & Jersha
Shoebill	Maurice & Janu
Macaw	Macaw Class
Heron	Marley & Ismaeel
Cassowary	Ainara & Romilly
Hornbill	Lana & Gabriellus
Red Kite	Londi & Hugo
Puffin	Imani & Ronan
Magpie	Rahim & Starlin
Hawk	Aiden & Jesse
Kingfisher	Sophia BS & Elias-Cruz
Woodpecker	Etta & Gabriel
Parakeet	Layal & Iyla
Kestrel	Aaron & Jean
Swift	Ruva & Ebenezer
Little Owl	Avesta & Brian
Goldfinch	Miral & Abdul

## Attendance and Punctuality

Overall school attendance this week:	94.58%	
Well Done to Redkite for Achieving Over 98% Attendance:	Redkite	98.29%
	Cassowary	98.08%
	Macaw	97.94%
	Hawk	97.79%
Top CLASSES with attendance over 97%:		
Well done to you All!		
The Top Classes for BEST punctuality:	Little Owl, Woodpecker, & Hornbill	
	A huge well done to you all! 🥳	

## Some Important Dates - Spring Term

March 2025		April 2025	
Thursday 6th March – Open Classroom	Nursery, Yr 2, Yr 4, Yr 6	Mon 7th – 21st April	Easter Holidays
Friday 7th March – Open Classroom	Reception, Yr 1, Yr 3, Yr 5		
Friday 7th March	World Book Day – Wear PJs or comfy clothes		
Wk beg 17th March	Year 6 Mock SATs	Tues 22nd April	Start of Summer term
Wk beg 24th March	Parent/Teacher Meetings	(Monday 21st is a Bank Holiday)	



# A message from the Brindishe Friends Group

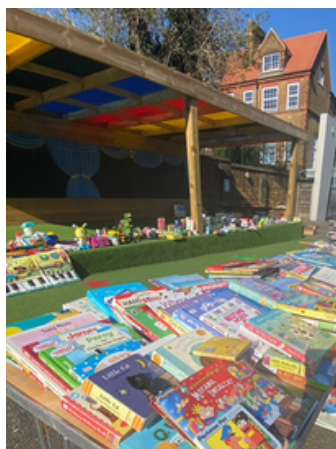


## Toy, book & cake sale - 27 March 2025

**Thank you** so much to everyone who donated toys, books, cakes to our sale yesterday, and to all those who helped with setting up and selling. The weather was on our side and the sunshine was perfect for those browsing.

From this....

To this....



We have quite a lot left over, so we'll definitely include a toy and book sale at our Summer Fair on 4th July. If that's something you would like to help with, please let us know at [bfgsocials@gmail.com](mailto:bfgsocials@gmail.com). All the money we raise goes directly towards resources and activities for the children of Brindishe Green.

## BFG meeting - 1 May 2025 at 4.30pm

Our next in-person BFG meeting will be at the school on Thursday 1 May, starting at 4.30pm.

The meeting is a great opportunity to find out more about the BFG. There will be an update on recent activities, how we've spent funds we raised for the school and our future plans, including the school library, leavers' t-shirts and food pantry. All are welcome and we'd love to see some new faces, so please come and say hello, especially if you'd like to be a part of shaping how we provide our support to the school and its pupils.

## The Big Half - 7 September 2025

We still have around 10 spaces left for September's Big Half. If you fancy joining our team to run a half marathon on 7 September and raise money for the school, please email Hayley at [bfgsocials@gmail.com](mailto:bfgsocials@gmail.com). Last year we raised over £3,200 for the school, and we'd really love to do even better this year!

For more information visit <https://www.letsdothis.com/gb/e/2025-the-big-half-229483>.



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### Important Dates

**1 May** - BFG Meeting in School

**4 July** - Brindishe Green Summer Fair

**Date TBC** - Summer Term Coffee Morning

**7 September** - The Big Half



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