

Newsletter

Friday 11th October 2024



What has been happening this week?

This week we marked World Mental Health Day by talking to the children about how to discuss and describe their feelings. Thank you to everyone who wore yellow and donated to Young Minds on Hello Yellow Day - Thursday. Today, Year 1 visited Mountsfield Park - thank you to the parents/carers who supported.

What is happening next week?

On Monday, Radish will lead assemblies on healthy eating for children in Years 3-6. On Thursday, parents/carers of children in Years 1, 3 and 6 are invited into school to see their child's learning (3.15-3.45pm). On Tuesday we will welcome visitors on our Open Day. On Thursday, Years 2, 3 and 5 will enjoy dance workshops, and Year 6 will work with a published author.

5 reasons to get your child vaccinated

1. Protect your child

The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia

2. Protect you, your family and friends

Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family

3. No injection needed

The nasal spray is painless and easy to have

4. It's better than having flu

The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record

5. Avoid costs

If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

Flu Immunisation

The nursing team will be visiting Brindishe Green on Thursday 17th October to administer the flu vaccine (nasal spray). This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu.

Please use the link provided to access the electronic consent form <https://app.schoolscreener.com/Portal/#/HnR/g/iHRLFlu2425> Please complete one consent form for each child to ensure your child receives their vaccination.

Meet the BG Inclusion Team

Come and join us on Thursday 24th October at 8.45am in the main hall.

We will be covering:

- What is Inclusion?
- How the SEN system works locally and nationally
 - What is SEN support and an EHCP?
 - How children are supported in school
- Who are the adults you may meet and how the children are accessed?

We'd love to see as many of you as possible. Please do RSVP to BGinclusion@brindisheschools.org.

SEND surgeries for October are now live to book on Weduc. These are optional online meetings for you if you have worries about your child's learning or anything else you'd like to speak to Miss Dee about.



Harvest Collection

On Thursday 24th October we will be doing a 'Big Harvest Collection' for the Lewisham Foodbank. On this day we will be collecting donations of dried food, tins, cereals, jars and toiletries. More information will follow nearer the time.

Celebrating Diversity at Brindishe Schools

Over the past year the Federation Equalities and Diversity Team have been working on updating our Protected Characteristics postcard, to make it more child and family friendly. This week it was shared with the older children and will continue to be used across the schools as part of our learning and in promoting positive relationships.

Everyone is valued and should be given the same opportunities. Everyone should feel confident and supported, whether male or female, and however they identify.

Everyone has the right to their own religion, faith and belief, as long as it does not stop others enjoying their Rights.

We Welcome and Celebrate Diversity at Brindishe Schools

Everyone should be given the opportunity to safely learn and try new things, no matter what age they are.

People have different strengths and they all do things in different ways. Our community encourages, enables and empowers everyone by tackling barriers and bias.

Families and communities should be made up of people who look after each other. They should keep each other safe.

When the time is right, everyone is free to choose who they love and to choose the right person for them, if they want to be in a relationship.

Our families come from all over the world and we are happy to know people of different races, cultures and nationalities.

At Brindishe we work together with our families and community to make sure everyone feels welcome, safe and valued.

Every person, without discrimination, has equal Rights.



Something Wonderful to Celebrate

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

E Penguin	Esther & Carter
Cormorant	Santiago & Kyran
Shoebill	Cade & Thevishan
Macaw	Ambie & Naomi
Heron	Noelle & Éabha
Cassowary	Abdul & Poppy
Hornbill	Alia & Rafael
Red Kite	Harvey & Maya
Puffin	Frandy & Lema
Magpie	Shahryar & Ellie
Hawk	Haseenah & Thando
Kingfisher	Felix & Agnes
Woodpecker	Johanna & Aycee
Parakeet	Leila & Sharon
Kestrel	Nico & Elsie
Swift	Holly & Leo PA
Little Owl	Isa & Noah
Goldfinch	Eva & Yana

Attendance and Punctuality

Overall school attendance this week:	92.87%	
Top class with attendance over 98%:	Hornbill	99.57%
A huge well done to Cassowary who achieved 99.57% attendance this week.	Emperor Penguin	98.85%
	Red Kite	98.31%
	Cassowary	98.04%
Top Classes for excellent punctuality:	Robin, Goldfinch, Little Owls, Swift, Woodpecker, Macaw - A huge well done 😊	

Some Important Dates - Autumn Term

October 2023		November 2023	
Black History Month		Tues 12 th Nov 10am & 4:15pm	Rec/Nursery Open Day
Tue 15 th Oct - 10:00am & 4:15pm	Rec/Nursery Open Day	Thurs 14 th Nov - 3:15-3:45pm	Open Classroom Years 2, 4, 5
Thurs 17 th Oct - 3:15-3:45pm	Open classroom Years 1, 3, 6	11 th – 15 th Nov	Celebrating Diversity Week
Thurs 17 th Oct	Flu immunisations R-Y6	Fri 29 th Nov	Inset Day - No school for children
Mon 28 th Oct – Fri 1 st Nov	Half Term		

A message from the Brindishe Friends Group



Minutes of the AGM on 3 October 2024

Thanks again to all those who joined us for the AGM last week. [Please click here to read the meeting minutes and reports.](#)

What's coming up?

Tues 22 & Weds 23 October (before & after school): Preloved Winter Clothing Hub drop-off - bring in **children's coats, bags and jumpers** that you no longer need and donate them to our Clothing Hub

Tues 5 & Weds 6 November (before & after school): Preloved Winter Clothing Hub collection - come and pick up any donated coats, bags or jumpers **for free**

Thursday 7 November (4.30pm): Winter Fair planning meeting

Mon 11 November: Cake competition & bake sale



Winter Fair - Volunteers Needed

This year the Brindishe Green Winter Fair will take place after school on **Friday 6 December**. Please let us know if you can help out by **donating** prizes for the raffle (vouchers, experiences or other gifts) or by **volunteering** to man a stall on the day.

If you'd like to get involved, come along to the planning meeting on 7 November or email bfgsocials@gmail.com.



BFG Dates for your Diary

- 11 October - Pizza & Cookies night pick up!
- 22 & 23 October - Preloved Winter Clothing Hub clothes drop off
- 5 & 6 November - Preloved Winter Clothing Hub collection
- 11 November - Cake competition & Bake Sale
- 6 December - Brindishe Green Winter Fair
- 7 March 2025 - Spring Discos
- 27 March - Preloved Book & Toy Sale
- 4 July - Brindishe Green Summer Fair
- Date TBC - Summer term coffee morning



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