

Brindishe Federation Newsletter

Friday 20th January 2023

Holocaust Memorial Day 2023

Holocaust Memorial Day is on Friday 27 January.

Ordinary People

The theme for this year is Ordinary People. Ordinary people were involved in all aspects of the Holocaust, Nazi persecution of other groups, and in the genocides that took place in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur. The theme, set by the Holocaust Memorial Trust, prompts us to consider how ordinary people, such as ourselves, can perhaps play a bigger part than we might imagine in challenging prejudice today.

How Lewisham are marking the day

A number of Lewisham Schools have taken part in online workshops hosted by the Holocaust Educational Trust. Teaching resources and other materials can be found on the <u>Holocaust Memorial Trust website</u>.





The Mayor of Lewisham, Damien Egan, will be lighting a candle in the council chamber on the 27 January to remember those whose lives were lost as a result of genocide, and the millions affected by genocide since the end of WWII.

Lewisham's Holocaust Memorial Day Committee will be hosting a local community event on the 29 January at 3.00pm. They will have a number of speakers from across many faiths in the borough, including contribution from the Catford and Bromley Synagogue, Lewisham Islamic Centre, St Laurence Church, as well as holocaust survivors and their families. Due to the sensitive nature of this event, Lewisham are asking all guests to RSVP by emailing civicevents@lewisham.gov.uk, further details will be shared once you get in touch.

Residents can also light a candle and sit in a moment of silent reflection at the Hither Green Crematorium Chapel on Sunday 29 January.



Rights Respecting at Brindishe Schools - Article of the Week

Article 7 – birth registration, name, nationality, care

Every child has the right to be registered at birth, to have a name and nationality, and, as far as possible, to know and be cared for by their parents.

Article 8 - Protection and Preservation of Identity

Every child has the right to an identity. Governments must respect and protect that right, and prevent the child's name, nationality or family relationships from being changed unlawfully.

At Brindishe Schools, we always discuss things that help to make us all unique and wonderful people! We always talk about different countries around the world. People have the right to belong to a country - this is called their nationality and children and staff respect all nationalities.

Names are important to us too. We make sure that we pronounce people's names correctly to respect the right to a name and identity. Here is a story, 'Your Name is a Song' by Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow.







Governing Body Dates

If you would like to attend a Brindishe Federation Governing Body meeting as an observer, please email our Chair, Liz Murphy – lizcmurphy@gmail.com

Spring 1 Brindishe Lee
Spring 2 Brindishe Green
Summer 1 Brindishe Manor
Summer 2 Brindishe Lee

Tuesday 7th February 2023, 6pm Thursday 23rd March 2023, 6pm Tuesday 23rd May 2023, 6pm Thursday 13th July 2023, 6pm



Brindishe Weekly Online Safety Bulletin

BBC Own it keyboard and App

Did you know BBC Own It has a keyboard and app?

Download the app on your child's phone to access the special keyboard, which will offer advice as they type and intervenes for example, if they're sharing their mobile number, the app will tell your child to 'think safe' before they send the message.

Find out more here: https://www.bbc.com/ownit/takecontrol/own-it-app

BBC Own it also has a dedicated area for you with video guides on useful topics such as 'the transition from primary to secondary school' and 'supporting children with social media apps' and links to other useful sites.

Click below to access: https://www.bbc.com/ownit/curations/parents



Key Federation Dates

- Half Term Monday 13th Feb Friday 17th Feb
- Easter Holidays Monday 3rd April to Friday 14th April
- Monday 17th April Children return to school for Summer Term
- **Primary offer day** Monday 17 April 2023 (you will get an email in the evening telling you where your child has been offered a place)

