

### Brindishe Green Newsletter

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Dear families, governors, neighbours and staff,

As we come to the end of another busy half term, we would like to thank you for the constant support and kindness you show towards everyone working in our school. From your warm smiles on the gate/playground, to emails of gratitude, from supporting us with behaviour and reading, to accompanying children on educational visits, we are grateful that so many parents/carers take the time to show their support.

This half term our Year 2 and 6 children completed their end of Key Stage SATs, all year groups have gone on an array of educational visits or received visitors, we have welcomed new members of staff, familiarised ourselves with the new office structure, and yesterday our musicians took part in their first live concert, which was amazing. We would like to thank our wonderful school staff who work tirelessly every day in order to ensure that every child in our school gets the best education and start to life. They make sure that not only do they cover a broad and rich curriculum, but they also ensure that our children know how to look after their physical/mental health, and how to make good choices that keep themselves and others safe. We want all our children to be respectful and respected members of society.

The last half term is always a very busy one in school – Year 1 children will sit their Phonics Screening Check, Reception teacher complete their children's Early Years Profiles, all teachers assess their children, Year 6 get ready to move to secondary school, teachers write and distribute your child's End of Year Report, and all children prepare to move into their new year groups. There is so much to look forward to. See you all on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June before 9am!

Best Wishes The Senior Leadership Team

### Message from Parent Governors - Look Out for Your Parent/Carer Survey

Since our election, as well as learning lots rapidly and attending governors' meetings, we have spent time in all 3 Brindishe schools seeing the great work of your children, their teachers and all the support staff. We've also had a chance to see some of you at school shows and events - so do look out for us and say hello (our photos are on the Brindishe website) at those events coming up in the final half-term of the year as we're keen to hear from you. Another great way to share your thoughts is through the federation's annual survey.

After half term, the school will be sending you a link for a **Parent/Carer Survey** which we would like you to complete during the week **5-12<sup>th</sup> June**. Your views and comments are very important to each school and the federation, as we want to know what we are doing right, and what you think we could improve upon. We hope as many of you as possible will take just 10 minutes to complete this important survey. Do tell fellow parents and carers who may not read the newsletters, and if anyone needs help completing the survey or for it to be translated then the school will be delighted to assist.

### Say Cheese! School Photographs

We are delighted to let you know that our school photographer, Brian, will be returning to Brindishe Green during the week **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June**, to take a range of photographs which will be available for you to purchase. He will take individual, sibling and class photographs. Please ensure your child comes to school every day during this week so that they don't miss out. As you can imagine, with so many children in our school, he will have a tight timetable.

### Something Wonderful to Celebrate

We praise all the children in school for being curious, committed, confident, collaborative and compassionate. This week, the following children have stood out for going above and beyond!

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Leo & Hannah K	Frandy & Joseph	Magpie class
Ross & Zayne	Brandon & Alayah-Rose	Sandro, Poppy & Zara
Ivan & MAlik	Tomi & Gabrielius	Poppy & Ada
Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Bethel & Daphne	Emilio & Liam	Emilio & Sirine
Saadhvika & Janushan	Vivaan & Eliana	Josiah & Traevonne
Joseph & Rihannat	Florence & Allan	Cayden & Rafael
		Elissa and Alpha

#### Attendance and Punctuality

It is essential that children come to school every day they are well, and on time. All children must be **in their classroom by 9am** so that they are not registered as late. Our whole school attendance should be **more than 95%** each week. Has your child's class made it into the newsletter this week?

Overall school attendance this week:	94.81%
Top classes with attendance over 95%:	Wren – 97.43% Magpie – 98.53% Puffin – 98.43% Red Kite - 98.35% Hornbill – 98.02%
Top classes with all children on time:	All the children came into school on time this week in <b>Hawk class!</b> Well done!

#### Trees in the Playground

Next week, some work will be carried out in the Brindishe Green playground. Following our routine tree inspection, it has been brought to light that four of the trees have developed 'Fungi sooty bark disease' which has been accelerated by the extreme drought of 2022. We have therefore commissioned a tree company, to fell the trees, in order to keep the area safe. We appreciate the importance of trees within our environment and will be looking at alternatives to replace them, once the area has been cleared.

#### **Behaviour Outside School**

It has come to our attention that some of our older children who walk home alone have not been getting it right on Hither Green Lane or in the local park. We would like to reassure you that we are taking this very seriously and we have made contact with their families and the local community police. If you see any behaviour coming from our children that is unacceptable, please email the school office on info@ or come back to school and tell a member of the Senior Leadership Team. Thank you for your support

### A message from the Brindishe Friends Groups (BFG)

Please have a look at the attached update from the Brindishe Friends Group (BFG) for details of the **BRINDISHE GREEN SUMMER FAIR** next month. We need everyone's help to make sure the Summer Fair is a great day: we're looking for donations for stalls, the tombola and raffles as well as help on the day.

We've also got more information about how to join our team for **THE BIG HALF** in September and take part in this fab half marathon to raise funds for our school.

As always, you can get in touch with us at <u>bfgsocials@gmail.com</u> if you're able to help in any way.

## Summer News from the Brindishe Friends Group (BFG)

### It's Summer Fair time

### Friday 16 June, 3:15-5pm

Our summer fair is next month and we need your help to make it a great day!

### We need donations of:

unopened and unused bottles, chocolates, sweets and gifts • good quality second hand books • raffle and tombola prizes • bake stall cakes and treats

### We'll be collecting donations on Wed 7, Thu 8, Wed 14 & Thu 15 June before & after school, & cakes on the morning of 16 June.

We also need volunteers to help set up and supervise stalls on the day including craft stalls, games & food and drink. Please email bfgsocials@gmail.com if you can help.

## 崇 easyfundraising

We've already raised over £80 through Easyfundraising this term! Huge thanks to all our supporters so far.

It's simple - YOU SHOP, WE EARN. Just download the EasyFundraising app, use it for your online shopping and we earn up to 4% from your purchases. With summer holidays coming up, we could raise so much more, without costing you a penny.

Sign up now



Thanks to everyone who helped make our last Bake Sale of the year a huge success!

# Get your running shoes on!

Big Half, Sunday 3 September

Run with us and raise money for our school! We have places up for grabs for this fab half marathon set in the heart of London and would love to hear from you if you'd like to join us. Email bfgsocials@gmail.com.

We're still looking for our next Chair. If you are interested in this highly rewarding position, email **bfgsocials@gmail.com** to find out more.



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