

Brindishe Green School

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Dear parents, carers, staff, governors and friends at Brindishe Green,

This week at Brindishe Green 'At Home'

Thank you to all our new families and many staff who came along to our 'At Home' event last night, to chat together and enjoy some delicious school lunch food cooked by our fabulous kitchen team led by chef Beatrice. It was a really lovely event with a great turnout. We especially enjoyed hearing how well all the children are enjoying their new school. The feedback on our school meals was amazing too!

Our Nursery and Reception children have now all started in their new classes and have settled very well.

'Meet the Teacher' 30 September – 11 October

This half term, we are inviting parents and carers of children in Years 1 to 6 to make an appointment for an individual meeting with their child's class teacher. This 'meet the teacher' meeting is a chance for us to get to know each other better and to help teachers find out more about your child and their interests, strengths and needs. We have sent an email to all families with details of the dates and how to book your meeting online via Arbor's Parent Portal.

Please note that booking closes on Sunday 29 Sep at midnight, so book your meeting slot without delay!

Important notice about collection arrangements from next Monday, 30 September

In order to avoid too much congestion in the playground just before home time, we have decided to open our gates to parents and carers **at 3.15pm**. This means that all the children will already be waiting to be collected, either in the playground or from their classrooms as usual, at 3.15pm. We would like to see how this works in terms of making sure all the children from Y2 - 6 are safely downstairs before adults arrive in the playground, and will review the plan at the end of the autumn term and keep you informed.

Miss Cookie's Book of Remembrance – final reminder

Many of you have already shared your memories of Miss Cookie and written your personal thanks in the Book of Remembrance currently set up in our Library on the ground floor. On 4 October we plan to pass on this special book to her family so please pop in some time over the next week if you wish to contribute.

Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Book Fair this week. We have raised just over £1000! Every book you bought has contributed to funds for books for our school.

We are a Gold 'Rights Respecting' School

Article 29 (goals of education) Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for others and the environment.



This week in our assemblies, the children learnt about the importance of not wasting food. They learnt that throwing away food wastes money, time, resources, energy, water and land. They also learnt that wasting food can also effect climate change. We talked about different ways we can avoid throwing food way, including eating all our broccoli!

Diary dates

30 Sept – 11 Oct 'Meet the Teacher' meetings for parents/carers of children in Ys 1 – 6

1 Oct Secondary transfer meeting for parents and carers of children in Y6 5pm

3 Oct Open Day for prospective parents and carers: 9.30 – 10.30am and 5 – 6pm. Please tell interested friends and neighbours.

14-18 Oct Year 6 School Journey

16 Oct Full Governing Body Meeting – please let us know if you would like to come along and we will arrange seating for you.

21-25 Oct – Half Term

And finally...

Next week we will be sending out information about our new Friends' Association, 'Friends of Brindishe Green', being set up this term. Anyone who is part of the Brindishe Green community will automatically be a member and there will be plenty of opportunity for you to get involved in raising important additional funds for our school. Watch this space!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Gerlinde Achenbach
Headteacher