



Brindishe  
Federation

## Brindishe Federation Brindishe Lee's Newsletter

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

Dear families, governors, staff and friends,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff for their hard work so far this term. A special thank you to the office staff for working incredibly hard, particularly at the start of term, to sort out admissions, medication, new systems, our enrichment clubs and so on. Despite being incredibly busy, they have dealt with every eventuality with incredible professionalism, kindness and care.

It has been another full on week at Brindishe Lee with Year 6 visiting Chislehurst Caves and Year 5 spending time exploring the Thames. Thank you to the parents/carers who kindly gave up their time to support with these educational trips. In school this week, there has been a buzz of excitement with children discussing new learning with their peers and teachers. During my walk around this week, children have been telling me about their learning too from researching new artists to solving challenging calculations.

We are currently finalising our parent meeting dates and times, once this has been confirmed we will send parents/carers communication about booking a time to meet your child's teacher as well as an opportunity to look at the learning in their books.

We hope you have a lovely weekend!  
Kind regards,  
Ms Sebire & the Brindishe Lee Team.



### **Brindishe Lee School Key Dates**

- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October - New Reception Open Days
- Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Flu Immunisations
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Half Term Holiday
- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November - Year 6 Trip to Kingswood
- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November – Open Door – Sharing Learning (3.30-4.00pm)
- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November – Inset Day
- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December Open Door – Sharing Learning (3.30-4.00pm)
- Parent Meetings – More information to follow

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## **Metropolitan Police Service Christmas Tree Campaign 2022**



The MET Police are planning their Christmas Tree Campaign, delivering Christmas presents to young people across London who may not otherwise receive a gift. This year the campaign will be ever more important as families navigate the cost of living crisis. In 2012, the campaign began with one tree outside New Scotland Yard in Westminster which was decorated with individual tags for members of the public to take.

Since then the campaign has grown, taking place across London, with a tree in each of the 32 Boroughs. The response from communities has been both overwhelming and extremely humbling. In 2020 the MET launched a digital version and in 2021 they exceeded expectations with over 17,000 presents delivered to children across London. Many officers described this as some of the most rewarding work they have done during their service.

This year, each of the local senior policing teams are going to choose a poster designed by a local primary school child, which will be used to advertise the campaign to the public. The MET Police Commissioner will then choose an overall winner which will be used to promote the London-wide MPS campaign and the winner and next 4 runners up will be invited with their parents/guardians to turn on the *New Scotland Yard Christmas Tree Lights on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2021*.

We are inviting Brindishe children to participate in the designing of this poster, and we hope that you as parents/carers will enjoy encouraging the children to draw about what this campaign means to them.

All entries must be submitted electronically by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022, through your local borough point of contact or Schools Liaison Officer.

[Svetlana.Gillard@met.police.uk](mailto:Svetlana.Gillard@met.police.uk)





## Local to Lewisham Events for Brindishe Families

# ELMER and Friends: The Colourful World of David McKee at The Horniman Museum

*Step into David McKee's colourful world in this first ever major retrospective of his striking illustrations and celebrate over 30 years of Elmer the Patchwork Elephant.*

Elmer remains one of the most widely read children's book series of all time, selling over ten million copies worldwide since it was first published by Andersen Press in 1989. Visitors to the museum will also meet many of McKee's other classic characters in the exhibition, including Not Now Bernard, King Rollo and Mr. Benn.

First stop is Elmer's world, where visitors will be greeted by a big magnetic Elmer game and enjoy the ultimate Instagram moment. The adventure continues as guests walk through Elmer's jungle, encountering characters and stories along the way.

As well as illustrations from the Elmer series there will be original artwork from Not Now Bernard, Mr Benn and an original storyboard of King Rollo. Visit the fancy-dress costume shop featured in Mr Benn, with dressing up and reading areas.

To book online, visit [ELMER and Friends: The Colourful World of David McKee - Horniman Museum and Gardens](#)



### DATES

Fri 21 October 2022 – Sun 16 April 2023

### TIMES

10am – 5:30pm

### TICKETS

Members and Benefactors go free.

Members and Benefactors £0

Child £2.50

Child ticket with Gift Aid £3

Adult £5

Adult ticket with Gift Aid £5.50

Family of 3 ticket (1 adult) £8



## ***Brindishe Weekly Online Safety Bulletin***

### **Family Settings: Do you need help managing your children's accounts and devices?**

You can use **Google Family Link** or **Apple Family Sharing** to help you.

**Google Family Link:** This is a parental control app from Google that lets you:

- See activity reports showing how long they spend on each app.
- Approve or block new app downloads.
- Set screen time limits.
- Find their location (using their device).
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You will need to download an app and then decide appropriate settings.

Further information available here:

[https://families.google.com/familylink/?utm\\_source=google&utm\\_medium=cpc&utm\\_campaign=families\\_google&utm\\_term=family\\_link\\_app&gclid=Cj0KCQjw0oyYBhDGARIsAMZEuMuL7LZ5nMvALz2qOEzIO-9gcziuC\\_bPGw8mr17No0tQ\\_5VrcDhhhoaAmHbEALw\\_wcB&gclsrc=aw.ds](https://families.google.com/familylink/?utm_source=google&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=families_google&utm_term=family_link_app&gclid=Cj0KCQjw0oyYBhDGARIsAMZEuMuL7LZ5nMvALz2qOEzIO-9gcziuC_bPGw8mr17No0tQ_5VrcDhhhoaAmHbEALw_wcB&gclsrc=aw.ds)

**Apple Family Sharing:** You can set up Family Sharing in the settings of your device.

Family Sharing allows you to:

- Share Apple subscriptions.
- Share purchases from the App Store.
- Approve what children purchase/download.
- Limit screen time.
- Share locations and find devices.

Further information available here: <https://www.apple.com/uk/family-sharing/>



### **Reception Open Days**

Please see below our open days for parents/carers applying for Reception places for September 2023.

Brindishe Green	Brindishe Manor	Brindishe Lee
<b>Tuesday 18 October</b> 10am and 4.30pm	<b>Thursday 13th October</b> 9:30am and 4:30pm	<b>Monday 17th October</b> 9:30am and 4:30pm
<b>Thursday 17th November</b> 10am and 4.30pm	<b>Monday 14th November</b> 9:30am and 4:30pm	<b>Wednesday 16th November</b> 9:30am and 4:30pm

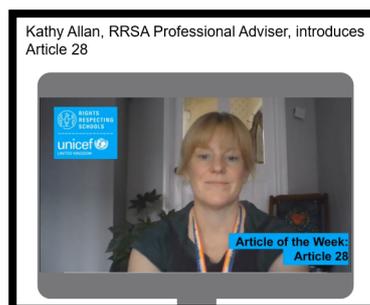
For further information on open days and how to book a place on the tour, please contact individual

### **Rights Respecting at Brindishe Schools - Article of the Week**

#### **Article 28 (right to education)**

Article 28 says that all children across the world have the right to access primary education for free, and secondary education must be available to every child. But, just as important is the quality of the education that is received – just being in a school is not enough. Article 28 also speaks of the importance of children being treated with dignity in their school setting. Also, it places additional responsibility for global education on richer countries, as it makes clear that they must help poorer countries to ensure that all children can access their right to education.

**Why education is so important for children and young people?**





### ***Key Federation Dates***

- Secondary admission application open (apply online) – **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022**
- Secondary schools open for visits throughout September & October. Please check on school websites for open day/evening information or go to <https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/education/schools/school-admission/applying-to-start-secondary-school>
- Closing date for secondary applications – **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022** (we recommend that applications are submitted by Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2022)
- October Half Term – **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October**