

Newsletter

Friday 31st January 2025



What has been happening this week?

Unfortunately on Tuesday we had to cancel the Year 1 visit to Manor House Gardens at the last minute. They were due to walk around the lake and look for different types of birds. As you know the weather this week has been extremely unpredictable and there was a strong possibility that it was going to be too wet and windy. We appreciate a last minute cancellation is not what anyone wants, and appreciate your understanding. The children's well-being and safety must always come first.

Donations for Nursery

Nursery are looking for some donations to support the children's learning. If you have any of the following, please can you drop them in with Claire and Joan:

- Old mobile phones or cordless home phones
- Sturdy toy pushchairs
- Buttons
- Clothes to fit 3-5 year olds for changing (especially trousers)



Many thanks!

What is happening next week?

On Tuesday 4th our Nursery families will visit Manor House Library to read stories together. Thank you to all the families who attend.

Also on Tuesday, some Year 6 children from across the federation are meeting to develop their writing skills.

On Wednesday 5th the school nursing team will come in to school to carry out a Hearing and Vision Test with our Reception children.

On Thursday 6th our Brindishe Federation Governing Body will meet at Brindishe Manor. If you would like to observe, please contact the school office.

And Friday 7th is the NSPCC Number Day..



Number Day

On **Friday 7th February** we will be celebrating Number Day at Brindishe Green!

Number Day is an annual fundraising event led by the **NSPCC** to celebrate fun and creativity in Maths, and this year marks its 25th anniversary.

On this day, we ask that the children come to school **'dressed as number'**. It can be as simple as wearing a football shirt, a jumper with a number on it or some patterned socks. Alternatively it could be something even more creative - a clock, dice, multiplication grid!

Parent/Carer Workshop - Self-Esteem

Come and join us for our parent session this term. We will be meeting with our Educational Psychologist Amy on **Tuesday 4th February at 9am** to learn about self-esteem: what is it, why is it important and how can we support our children to develop good self-esteem.

Please book a place using the link - [Self Esteem Workshop](#).

Everyone is welcome, and we look forward to seeing you!



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Lewisham Autism Strategy

Lewisham Council have an All-Age Autism Strategy that is in place between 2023 and 2028. Lewisham Council and its partner organisations have committed to progressing their vision that Lewisham is a borough in which people with autism can lead fulfilling lives.

Lewisham Council want to hear from their residents on the impact of the strategy implementation. They also want to understand what gaps and future steps that they may need to take in 2025/2026.

Please click on the link to answer the survey - [click link](#). The survey closes on 14th February.



Something Wonderful to Celebrate

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

E Penguin	Bryan & Ausar
Cormorant	Joseph & Idrees
Shoebill	Thevishan & Lars
Macaw	Ariana & Abigail
Heron	Skye & Ernes
Cassowary	Kellis & Bella
Hornbill	Jakub & Imisi
Red Kite	Janat a& Amari
Puffin	Lily & Frandy
Magpie	Jessica & Fatmata
Hawk	Ziah & Momoka
Kingfisher	Kingfisher Class
Woodpecker	Angely & Gabriel
Parakeet	Henry & Emily
Kestrel	Ava & Elsie
Swift	Mikail & Elliott
Little Owl	Finn & Elina
Goldfinch	Jacob & Eleanora

A Few Reminders

We share the following information with our new families when they join our school, and we wanted to take the opportunity to remind everyone of a few points that help our school run smoothly and safely:

- Children must come off their scooters and bikes before they reach the school gate. These should be pushed to the racks. They must not ride them until they have left the school premises.
- Only a watch and stud earrings can be worn in school. Children should not wear bracelets, necklaces, hooped/dangly earrings or Smart Watches.
- We ask that adults come off their mobile phones before coming through the school gates please.
- Dogs should be left outside the school gates.
- Children must not bring in any nuts or nut-based products, such as chocolate hazelnut spreads. No sweets or chocolate bars please.
- Children must only bring in water to drink - no juice or squash please
- If your child needs to have medication in school, including epi-pens or asthma pumps, please bring this to the school office on the first day in a clearly labelled bag with your child's name, DOB and class. These must not be kept in children's bags.
- Please do not buy a big bag for your child. It is tricky to fit 30 big bags and coats into our small cloakroom.

Attendance and Punctuality

Overall school attendance this week:	93.38%	
Top CLASSES with attendance over 97%:	Cormorant	99.11%
	Swift	98.47%
	Woodpecker	98.22%
	Macaw	97.94%
A huge well done to you all!		
The Top Classes for BEST punctuality:	Robin, Cassowary, Macaw A huge well done to you all! 🎉	

Some Important Dates - Spring Term

January 2025		February 2025	
Mon 6 th Jan	INSET Day – No school	Tues 11 th Feb 8.35 – 9.15 am	Open Classroom Years 1, 3, 5
Tues 7 th Jan	Start of Spring term	Wed 12 th Feb 8.35 – 9.15 am	Open Classroom Reception
		Thurs 13 th Feb 8.35 – 9.15 am	Open Classroom Years 2, 4, 6
		Mon 17 th – Fri 21 st Feb	Half Term

A message from the Brindishe Friends Group



BFG Meeting

Last week we had a great meeting .

Thank you to all who joined us.

Remember, all parents and carers at Brindishe Green are automatically members of our PTA, the Brindishe Friends Group (BFG), and we'd love to see you at any meeting.

As always, you can find the full minutes of our meeting and more info on our Linktree.

<https://linktr.ee/brindishefriendsgroup>

We have lots coming up, including...

School Discos • Fri 7 March

Discos for Years 1-6 will take place on Friday 7 March. Tickets will go on sale in the week of 10 February and will be available online and in the playground. Please let us know if you could volunteer to help on the day.

Preloved Book & Toy Sale • Thu 27 March

Our preloved book & toy sale is back later this term, so please start putting aside any donations. We'll be collecting them in the week starting 17 March. Again, we need volunteers for this event so let us know if you can help.

Library refurb

We're delighted to have been able to give the school £6k from money you've raised to enable them to refurbish the library. This will hopefully go ahead in late Spring / Summer term. We'll also be looking for volunteers to help with building furniture when it arrives. Watch this space!

BFG Teachers' Choice Fund

With the money you've raised we've been able to create a new fund to thank staff and teachers for their support of the BFG. Each year group will receive £100 per class to do something to enrich the children's school experience. We can't wait to let you know how they're planning to use the fund.

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BFG Dates for your Diary

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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