

Newsletter

Friday 3rd May 2024



Brindishe
Green

What has been happening this week?

On Tuesday, Hornbill class visited The British Museum. The visit was kindly led by Ms Cosin. The children had a great day.

On Wednesday, all of Year 5 went to The Science Museum. The teachers planned exciting learning opportunities linked to their class work. Thank you to all the parents and carers who supported on all these visits.

Following on from our message in last week's newsletter we have received our final **Challenge Partners Report** which we will share with you early next week. We were particularly pleased that it was reported *'Relationships between staff and pupils are exceptionally strong, leading to a calm, accepting learning environment where pupils feel safe and confident to contribute in class.'* Also, *'Teaching and learning are consistently strong in all phases across the school. Pupils benefit from a group of highly dedicated teachers and additional adults, hence they have a rewarding time at the school and they are fully prepared for the next stage of their education by the time they reach the end of Year 6.'* Look out for the final report next week.

What is happening next week?

School is closed on Monday 6th May for all children and staff as it is a Bank Holiday.



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World Press Freedom Day - 3rd May

On Monday in assembly, the children learnt about World Press Freedom Day. The focus was on understanding that we should gather our information and facts from reputable sources and that everyone needs to make sure that they can trust what they are reading. This is linked to 2 children's Rights Respecting articles:

Article 13 - I have the Right to find out and share information.

Article 17 - I have the Right to get information in lots of different ways, as long as it's safe.

[Click here to find a list of child friendly news sources.](#)

School Places

We currently have spaces in some of our year groups!

Do you know anybody who would like to join our wonderful school?

We have a few places in Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5. If you know anyone who would be interested in their child attending our school then please ask them to contact our school office.

School Photographs

Brian, our school photographer, will be in school during the week beginning 20th May to take individual, sibling and class photographs. More information to follow.

Speech and Language Workshop - Tuesday 4th June 9am

Our next parent and carers workshop will be hosted with **Annie Garvey, our school Speech and Language Therapist**. Annie will be giving some tips and advice on how to support **speech sound production**. This will be particularly relevant for some of our younger children who struggle to pronounce all of the sounds, but will also be of benefit to some older children.

The workshop will start at **9am on Tuesday 4th June** and last about an hour. As usual we are starting with 25 spaces, but if demand exceeds this we will either find a larger space to meet or run the workshop again. We look forward to seeing lots of you there

The link for tickets is <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/894339693097?aff=oddttdtcreator>

School Street Reminder

As you are aware, Beacon Road is a 'School Streets'. A School Street is a road outside a school with a temporary restriction on motorised traffic at school drop-off and pick-up times. The restriction applies to school traffic and through traffic. The result is a safer, healthier and pleasant environment for everyone. This means that vehicles are not permitted to drive down these roads during drop off and pick up.

HOWEVER, some vehicles are exempt from this restriction, such as residents and people with a blue badge. In addition, the restrictions mean that cars cannot enter the school street BUT may leave at any time. **This means that occasionally there may be vehicles driving past our schools.**

Please do continue to follow safety rules when crossing the roads and never presume that the road will be clear. If you child walks to and from school alone, please reinforce the importance of safe crossing with them. Thank you.

Something Wonderful to Celebrate

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

E Penguin	Leona & Olive
Cormorant	Jazmin & Nathaniel
Shoebill	Stella & Jacob
Macaw	Whole class
Heron	Yachen + Chloe
Cassowary	Cyrus & Ase
Hornbill	Whole class
Red Kite	Ismaeel & Skye
Puffin	Henry and Lucas
Magpie	Janat & Raayith
Hawk	Romeo & Rafael
Kingfisher	Sophie & Elliot
Woodpecker	Sompa & Honour
Parakeet	Farhane & Yusuf
Kestrel	Manahil & Shahryar
Swift	Ava & Skylar
Little Owl	Sofia & CJ
Goldfinch	Hollie-mae & Apollo



Attendance and Punctuality

Overall school attendance this week:	95.71%	
Top classes with attendance over 95%	Little Owls	99.63%
A huge well done to Little Owls, Hornbill, Swift class who had 99% attendance this week	Hornbill	99.24%
	Swift	99.23%
	Magpie	98.77%
	Robin	98.1%
Top class with all children in on time	Goldfinch Huge well done to them all 😊	

Some Important Dates - Summer Term

May 2024		June 2024		July 2024	
Mon 6 th May	Bank Holiday	Wk beg 10 th June	Year 1 Phonics check	1 st July	INSET Day – school closed to children
Wk beg – 13 th May	Year 6 SATs week	June	Year 4 Multiplication check	Year Group Performance - 9.10am Year 1 – Tues 16th Year 2 – Wed 17th Year 3 – Tues 9th Year 4 – Thurs 18 th Year 5 – Wed 10 th	
May/June	Year 2 assessment months	Sports Days 17 th June - Rec – Playground 18 th June - Year 1 – Playground 19 th June - Year 2 – Playground 20 th June - Year 3 – Venue TBC 6 th June - Year 4/ 5 / 6 – Ladywell Arena		Year 6 transition events Performance – Tues 23 rd July Festival – Wed 24 th July	
Wk beg 20 th May	School photographs			Thurs 25 th July	Last day of school
Mon 27 th – Fri 31 st May	Half Term			Fri 26 th July	Summer holidays



A message from the Brindishe Friends Group

BIG HALF UPDATE - It's our biggest one yet with an amazing 31 runners signed up to take part in September. If anyone who has a spot in the Big Half, - but not through BG - wants to join the team and help fundraise, please email bfgsocials@gmail.com. With only 4 months to go training is already in full swing and the fundraising page will be live very soon - we'll share the link as soon as it is.

NEW PARENTKIND WEBINARS - As a PTA, BFG is a member of **Parentkind** - the organisation for PTAs. This membership means all parents and carers at the school have access to their series of free webinars. They've just released a number of new ones including on topics like:

Inspiring reading at home
Preparing for Secondary
Supporting your child's mental health
Plus many more.

You can find full details at:

<https://www.parentkind.org.uk/your-pta-expert/parent-webinars>

To sign up for a webinar you just need to enter the school postcode (SE13 6EH) and select Brindishe Green from the drop-down.

YEAR REPS - We're still looking for year 1 and year 3 parents to join our PTA whatsapp community group. We need people to share our posts with their own year group whatsapps to let people know about events etc. Please get in touch if you want to be added to the group: bfgsocials@gmail.com