# Newsletter Friday 17th May 2024

## What has been happening this week?

This week has all been about our wonderful Year 6 children and how they resiliently tackled their end of Key Stage 2 SATs tests. We cannot tell a lie...they were really tricky! However, all of our children remained cool and calm, and persevered right until the very end! Well done children! We would like to take this opportunity to thank the wonderful Year 6 team for preparing the children so well, all of the staff who supported children, all of the staff throughout the school for ensuring the week ran smoothly...and all of the parents who got their children into school for 8.15am every day. What a team effort!

#### What is happening next week?

Next week, our school photographer Brian will be in throughout the week - please see more information below.

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On Tuesday, our Nursery children and families will visit Manor Park. They will be taking their wellington boots and going pond dipping with their teachers and families.

On Wednesday, our Year 6 children will be holding a cake sale in the playground after school.

On Friday our Art Ambassadors will visit Brindishe Lee with Ms. Bowen to see their Art Exhibition. We are delighted that they are able to support other children from across the federation, as well as develop their ability to comment on different pieces of art.

#### Half Term Holiday Vouchers

We can now confirm that London Borough of Lewisham will use a further allocation of the 'Household Support Fund' to support families with FSM eligible children by providing vouchers for the half term. The available funding means Lewisham can assist these families at a rate of £15 per eligible child. If you are eligible for the voucher, look out for further communication from the school office.



#### Thefts in the Area

It has been brought to our attention that there has been a series of attempted (and sometimes successful) thefts over the last two weeks involving our own parents/carers, one outside of the school.

The perpetrator approaches people from behind (on the pavement and from the road) and attempts to snatch mobile phones out of hands. This has happened 4 times in the last 2 weeks and we have made contact with the local PCOs for a greater police presence around the school. Please do ensure that when walking along these roads **your mobile phones are in your pockets or bags** and you remove ear buds at drop off or pick up time.

If you child is in Year 5 or 6 and walks home alone, please ensure they are aware and reiterate to them the importance of keeping their phones hidden on their route home from school, unless there is an emergency.

#### **School Photographs**

Next week our photographer Brian will be in school to take individual, sibling and class photographs. We have put together **a ROUGH timetable**, but please be mindful that this is subject to change depending on the weather and how quickly he is able to photograph 611 children, their classes and their siblings. **Please be mindful that their photograph could be taken on any day that he is in.** Thank you!

Individual Photographs - Monday - Year 3, Year 2, Reception, Year 6 Individual Photographs - Tuesday - Year 4, Year 5, Year 1 Individual Photographs - Wednesday - Nursery Class Photographs - Wednesday Sibling Photographs - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

#### **Greater London Sumdog Maths Contest**

The Greater London Maths Contest begins today on Sumdog! Over the next week, children from schools across London, including Brindishe Green, will compete to show off their incredible Maths skills. They will have until Thursday 23rd May (when the competition will close) to show everyone what they've got. Brindishe Green has really excelled in these competitions over the past few years but it has been quite a while since we have competed as a school for top spot in a Sumdog competition.

This is the perfect chance to show the rest of London what Brindishe Green mathematicians are made of so let's win, win, win!

#### Something Wonderful to Celebrate

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

E Penguin	Emperor Penguin class
Cormorant	Cormorant class
Shoebill	Shoebill class
Macaw	Alfie & Laderra
Heron	Lincoln & Kamari
Cassowary	Cyrus & Youssef
Hornbill	Lyra & Ariana
Red Kite	Cara & Alex
Puffin	Tracy & Cherrilyn
Magpie	Whole class
	Gabrielius, Abdullateef &
Hawk	Grace
Kingfisher	Karine and Mia
Woodpecker	Matilda & Hannah
Parakeet	Zaroon & Victoria
Kestrel	Esther & Jasmine
Swift	Swift class
Little Owl	Sharon & Ayla Y
Goldfinch	Marlo & Luciana

#### **Attendance and Punctuality**

Overall school attendance this week:	96.58%	
Top classes with attendance over 95% A huge well done to Hawk, Cormorant, Emperor Penguin, Magpie and Shoebill who achieved over 99% attendance this week.	Hawk 100% Cormorant 100% Emperor Penguin 100% Shoebill 99.04% Magpie 99.18%	
Top classes with all children in on time	Cormorant, Emperor Penguin, Shoebill, Robin and Shoebill Huge well done to them all 🚱	



#### Some Important Dates - Summer Term

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







### A message from the Brindishe Friends Group

**DONUT SALE** - After-school on Thursday we'll be holding a Krispy Kreme donut sale - yum! Donuts are on sale for £1 each. Do remember to stop by!

 VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED - We still are looking for volunteers to help with our other upcoming events. If you can help please let us know: <u>bfgsocials@gmail.com</u>

 <sup></sup> 21 June - Make at home pizza and cookies night
 <sup></sup> 5 July - Summer Fair

🏐 19 July - Years 1-5 School Disco

RAFFLE PRIZES FOR SUMMER FAIR - Do you play an instrument and would consider offering a lesson as a prize? Could you gift a supermarket/theatre/restaurant voucher? Perhaps you'd like to donate a plant/ coffee/tickets for a fun day out etc?! Maybe you work somewhere that might be happy to offer something? If you can help in any way we'd love to hear from you: <u>bfgsocials@gmail.com</u>

**PLAYGROUND NEWS** - If you've not had a chance, do checkout the playground development ideas: <u>Playground development meeting</u> We have agreed to support the school to help them achieve this.