



Brindishe
Federation

Brindishe Lee Newsletter

Friday 30th June 2023

Dear families, staff and governors

What a fantastic Science Week we have had this week. Thanks to funding from F@B, the whole week started with a bang with two science shows called 'Reactions' presented by 'Fizz Pop Science'. There was plenty of 'wow' moments along with a lot of 'fizz' and certainly some 'pop'!

Our theme for the week was 'Science Meets Maths Outdoors' and every class has engaged in learning outside. Lots of timing devices, protractors and metre sticks were to be seen on the mound and in the quiet area and everyone also got the opportunity to create giant bubbles using a huge variety of bubble wands – pipe cleaners, coat hangers, tennis rackets, hoops, string, sieves, cookie cutters...

With the hot sun and then rain for the Year 3 and 4 sports day, we were very sorry to have to postpone. Please see below for further information regarding the rearranged dates.

DON'T forget..... we have an INSET day on Monday 3rd July so the school will be closed to all pupils.

We hope you have a lovely weekend, The Brindishe Lee team

Summer Fayre – Saturday 8th July 11am-2pm

We are looking forward to our summer fayre organised by F@B on Saturday 8th July. Please come along, bring your family and friends and enjoy refreshments, a bouncy castle, a range of games and tombolas, 'beat the goalie', 'splat the teacher' and much more!

Donations of good quality toys and books are needed for the children's tombola – please hand any donations in to the school office.

Key Federation Dates

- Brindishe Schools INSET DAY – Monday 3rd July
- Wednesday 5th July TEACHERS STRIKE-Only Yr 3 and Yr 6 open, see Weduc for more information
- Thursday 6th July Years 4, 5 & 6 Sports Day, Ladywell: 10.30am – 2pm
- Friday 7th July TEACHERS STRIKE- Only Year 3 open, see Weduc for more information
- Saturday 8th July Summer Fayre 11am-2pm
- Wednesday 12th July Reception – Year 3 Sports Day, Manor House Gardens: 10am – 12 noon
- Thursday 13th July Drama 4 All workshop – Reception, Year 1 & Year 2
- Thursday 13th July Radish- The Taste of Australia Special Lunch
- Tuesday 18th July Year 6, End of Year performance, 6pm
- Thursday 20th July Reception School Trip to Mudchute Farm
- Thursday 20th July Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.30am
- Friday 21st July 2023 End of Term



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Year 3 and Year 4 SPORTS DAY update

Following the cancellation of the Year 3 and Year 4 sports day, we are pleased to update you on the new sports day arrangements. In order to ensure Year 3 and 4 have a full 'sports day' experience:

Year 4 will join the Ladywell Sports Day with Year 5 and Year 6, on **Thursday 6th July at 10.30am – 2pm.**

Year 3 will now join the Manor House Gardens Sports Day with Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, on **Wednesday 12th July at 10am – 12 noon.**

Lewisham Holiday Activity and Food Programme (HAF)

Please see the attached timetable and information regarding the Lewisham Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) programme, which takes place during the Easter, Summer and Christmas holiday period (Spring, summer and winter). HAF programme providers will run programmes this summer between 24th July – 25th August 2023.

A wide range of providers in Lewisham are supporting the delivery of the HAF programme, offering various fun-packed sessions, including arts and crafts, games, trips, food and sports.

The HAF programme is for Lewisham children and young people in receipt of free school meals to access FREE activities and food, in the core holiday periods, each child or young person is entitled to 16 Hours per week, (4 hours per day, 4 days a week). Providers will ensure to provide children / young people with:

- a wide range of exciting activities to suit different ages and personalities
- fun physical activity sessions
- free, nutritious and tasty food



Opening times ~ this will vary from each provider all information can be found in the attached HAS summer programme.

How to book: Parents / carers (in receipt of free school meals) book with the provider directly ~ all contact details can be found on the attached HAF summer programme and will also need the Lewisham code; ACCESS CODE OF LBLSUM23.

These spaces go very quickly, so we would encourage families to look through what's available and to book ASAP, for more detailed information on the Lewisham HAF programme please click on the link <https://lewisham.gov.uk/myserives/young-people/holiday-programme-food-and-fun>



Bike Safety

Please ensure that pupils riding their bikes or scooters to school wear a helmet for safety. Please can we remind families that although School Street is in place at drop-off and pick-up times, **the road is not completely traffic free** as local residents are still allowed to drive within the zone. Therefore, please be vigilant with any children on bikes or scooters and when crossing roads within the zone.

Brindishe Weekly Online Safety Bulletin

Live streaming

Live streaming has become a popular feature of many apps and platforms. By understanding why it is popular and what your child may come across, parents and carers can help children have a more positive online experience.

There are several factors that can make watching or creating live streams potentially harmful for children and young people including:

Content

If they're watching other people's live streams, children could be exposed to age-inappropriate content, including sexual or violent content.



Offensive comments

If a young person's live stream is open to the public, viewers may be able to leave negative or inappropriate comments on feeds.

Inappropriate contact

There can be hundreds, potentially thousands, of people watching a live stream, including people who might be looking to hurt or exploit children and young people. In order to manipulate children, these people may attempt to trick them into engaging in sexual activity, flatter them with positive comments or gifts, or make threats to try to force them to do things they don't want to do.

The Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre (CEOP) has published a short guide with practical steps and conversation starters to help children stay safer while live streaming.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/what-is-live-streaming/>



Rights Respecting at Brindishe Schools – Article of the week

Article 31 (leisure, play and culture)

Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural activities.

In what different ways have you enjoyed Article 31 during the last school year?

- Arts and craft activities.
- Chilling out.
- Spending time with friends.
- Going to a museum or gallery.
- Going to the theatre, to concerts or to the cinema.
- Taking part in sport.
- Having a safe space to, relax, read, draw or listen to music.
- Playing at the park.
- Playing computer games.
- Doing yoga, meditation or mindfulness activities.
- Sleeping!



All children have the right to play but many children with disabilities find that their local playgrounds aren't accessible. Watch this [video from Newsround](#) to learn more about this issue. Are your local playgrounds accessible for all children? Write to your local council to ask what they can do to make sure that all children can enjoy their right to play without discrimination.

At Brindishe Schools, leaders ensure that all children are able to take part in a wide range of cultural activities during their time with us in school. We do our very best to make sure lunchtime and playtime experiences are enjoyable for everyone.

With your family at home why not try some of these art lessons online? Can you draw a sausage dog? How about a panda or a turtle? Take part in an [online art lesson](#) – which will you choose?

Governing Body Dates

If you would like to attend a Brindishe Federation Governing Body meeting as an observer, please email our Chair, Liz Murphy - lmurphy@brindisheschools.org

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Brindishe Manor

Thursday 13th July 2023, 6pm