## Newsletter Friday 17th November 2023

#### What has been happening this week?

Every week is a busy week at Brindishe Green...and this week it has been no exception. We have welcomed families who may like to apply for a Reception place next year to our **Open Day**. Children in Years 2, 4 and 6 talked to their parents about their learning during their **Open Classroom**. On Thursday, some of our **girls' football team** played in their first competition, supported by Ms Adams, Ms Swindells and Ms Collins. And a team of NHS nurses ran a **flu vaccine clinic** on Friday.

However, as you know, one of the best things about this week has been our **Celebrating Diversity** learning. Ms Matthews and Ms Campbell launched the week with assemblies for our Year 1-6 classes with the theme **Kicking Out Stereotypes**. On Monday children focused on spreading kindness. Throughout the week every child in the school shared what makes them **special and unique**, and learnt about **inspirational people** who have achieved great things by overcoming hurdles and stereotypes. On Friday we fundraised for **Children in Need** with both children and staff...**Wear Your Happy!** 



Children across the school made mini autobiographies and shared them with another year group.

Alma Thomas - Artist (Year 1)

Frida Kahlo - Artist (Yr 3)

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#### What is happening next week?

Year 3 are going to the cinema on Thursday to watch Paddington as part of the Film Four Festival. These tickets were won in a competition that Mr Henry and Ms Matthews entered.

# Remember....next week is a 4 day week! There is no school for children on Friday 24th November due to staff training.

#### Winter Performances

Can you believe it is nearly that time of year? Our staff and children are beginning to prepare something special to share with you in the lead up to the Christmas/Winter break. All performances will take place in the main hall. Please make a note of your year group's day and time.

Year 1 - Tuesday 12th December 9:15am Year 2 - Tuesday 12th December 2:15pm Year 3 - Wednesday 13th December 9:15am Year 4 - Wednesday 13th December 2:15pm Year 5 - Thursday 14th December 9:15am Year 6 - Thursday 14th December 2:15pm Reception - Friday 15th December 9:30am

During these events, and on our Winter/Festive Jumper Day (Tuesday 19th Dec), we will be collecting money for Save the Children - Gaza Emergency Appeal.



#### Something Wonderful to Celebrate -Who has been praised this week?

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E Penguin	Megan & Olive	
Cormorant	Keyon & Jazmin	
Shoebill	Noah & Joel	
Macaw	Aamina & Idrees	
Heron	Talia & Naryoris	
Cassowary	Anne & Ausar	
Hornbill	Ethan & Janan	
Red Kite	Manil & Ada	
Puffin	Tracy & Jordan	
Magpie	Kaylah & Eliza	
Hawk	Alia & Thomas	
Kingfisher	Khalid & Lema	
Woodpecker	Aya & Jayden	
Parakeet	Farhane & Yusuf	
Kestrel	Anastasia & Jacob	
Swift	Nico & Alfred	
Little Owl	Leila & Sivanika	
Goldfinch	Oliver & Aimee	

#### Meet the Teacher - Autumn 2023

This week you will have received an email and Weduc notification on how to book your **Parent/Teacher meeting.** 

These meetings will run in the mornings or afternoons of **week beginning 4th December.** The portal will close on Sunday 3rd. **Please make your appointment as early as possibly...and don't forget to pop the date/time in your diary.** We look forward to welcoming you into the school.

#### London Fire Brigade - Home Visits

Following on from their visit to Year 5, The London Fire Brigade has asked us to let you know that they do FREE home visits, at a time that suits you, to **carry out risk assessments, give advice and install free smoke alarms**.

Please see the attached letter for more information.



#### **Attendance This Week:**

Overall school attendance this week:	95.65%	
Top 5 classes with attendance	Swift	100%
over 95%:	Shoebill	99.52%
	Puffin	99.26%
A huge well done to Swift class	Hawk	98.72%
who had 100% attendance this week	Heron	98.66%
Top classes with all children in on time	All children were in on time in Hummingbird (all day) class	

### **Important Key Dates - Nov and Dec**

November 2023		December 2023	
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov 10am & 4:30pm	Open day for prospective Nursery/Rec families	Week beg 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Parent/Teacher Meetings
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> November @ 3:15-3:45pm	Open Classroom Years 2, 4, 6		
13 - 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Celebrating Diversity Week	14 <sup>th</sup> Dec - Year 5 & 6 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec - Reception 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec - Nursery	
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Flu immunisations R-Y6	Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas lunch and jumper day
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Inset Day No school	Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> – Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 (8 <sup>th</sup> Jan – INSET Day)	Last Day Christmas Holidays –



## A message from the Brindishe Friends Group

**RAFFLE TICKETS GO ON SALE** - Look out for BFG members selling Winter Fair raffle tickets on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday before and after school. We have some amazing prizes including ice skating, food hampers, days out, panto tickets etc, as well as a selection of vouchers and giftcards. Tickets are £2 per strip. **Keep scrolling to see more of the amazing prizes on offer!** 

DONATIONS FOR WINTER FAIR STALLS - On the above days we will also be collecting donations for some of our stalls at the Winter Fair. We're looking for:

 Tombola Prizes: bottles and boxes plus toys and gifts
 Christmas jumpers for our pre-loved Christmas jumper stall
 Second hand books
 Craft bits for card making

WINTER FAIR VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED - Do you think you could run a stall for us at the Winter Fair on Friday 8th December? We are still short of volunteers. We have loads of stalls planned but won't be able to do them all if we don't get enough

people. Please do let us know: <u>bfgsocials@gmail.com</u>. The next meeting is on Tuesday 5th December at 0845.

REMEMBER TO SIGN UP TO RAISE CASH - We're registered with <u>easyfundraising</u> which means you can help raise money for BFG just by signing up and then using the easyfundraising site when you shop. It includes loads of major brands like Argos, Tesco, even Apple. **2** 

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# Winter Fair Raffle



Annual family pass for Science Museum's Wonderlab

£50 Love to Shop voucher from Bryan & Keegan

Family skate at Ice Rink Canary Wharf

Tickets for Jack & the Beanstalk at Catford Broadway

A Found Hope hamper of goodies

£25 voucher from Yard Sale Pizza

Five free classes at Yoga House London

Family ticket to Cutty Sark, Royal Museums Greenwich

Festive wreath from Crimson & Clover

£20 Cook gift card

Le Delice £15 voucher

Squishmallow soft toy

Plus loads more prizes!

On sale in the playground before and after school.



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