

Newsletter

Friday 1st March 2024



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What has been happening this week?

This week we welcomed our **Reception families** into school for a Phonics and Reading Workshop. Thank you to all of those who attended, and to Ms Faletas and Ms Waghorn who ran the session. If you were not able to attend, the teachers have shared the PowerPoint on Weduc.

Also this week, **Year 6** had another workshop led by the Anne Frank Trust, and **Year 4** were visited by The History Man as part of their learning about the Vikings and Anglo Saxons.

Today (Friday) is an important day for our **Year 6 families** as they will hear which secondary school they have been allocated for next year. If your child is in Year 6 and you have not received notification by the end of the day, please contact Lewisham next week. Please remember to accept the place you have been allocated, even if you wish to remain on another school's waiting list.

What is happening next week?

Next week is a busy week! Not only is it **International Women's Day** on Friday, but we will also be celebrating **World Book Day** on Thursday and Friday.

Our **Scholastic Book Fair** will be running in the main playground from 7th to 13th March.

On Wednesday 6th our **Year 5** children will be taking part in a beginners first aid course led by Mini First Aid. This forms part of their PSHME Curriculum. For more information click here .

Our **Nursery children and families** will visit Mud Chute Farm on Thursday 7th. The Nursery will be closed all day as it is being used as a polling station in local elections. The public will enter through the back gate and will not have access to any other area of the school.

World Book Day 2024 - Get Cozy and Read!

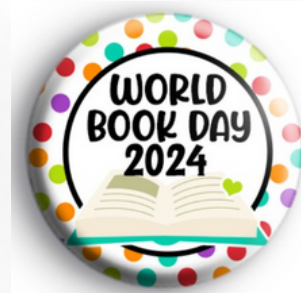
We will be holding our annual World Book Day Celebrations on **Friday 8th March!** Our theme is **'Get Cozy and Read!'** Our English Team have created a flier with lots of information for you (see attached) but please note the following:

Open Classrooms Big Read!

Come from 8.35-9.15am and read with your child in their classroom.

Thursday - Yr 2, Yr 4, Yr 6

Friday - Reception, Yr 1, Yr 3, Yr 5



Everyone - Friday 8th March

All children and staff (and parents/carers?) come to school dressed in your coziest pyjamas and dressing gowns (please wear trainers), and bring your favourite bedtime story or book to share with the class.

Ramadan

Fasting in the month of Ramadan, the month of revelation of the Holy Qur'an, is an obligation for all Muslims past the age of puberty. This year, Ramadan is scheduled to run between March 10th to April 9th.

If you would like your child to fast when they are in school, please email the school office with more information (child's name, class, fasting arrangements). This is so that class and lunchtime staff are aware and know to keep a close eye on them. If we have any questions or are worried about their well-being we will be in touch.



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I have the right to have my own thoughts and beliefs and to choose my religion, with my parents' guidance

The Front Door!

Please can we remind all parents, carers, families and children that they should not open the front door of the building to anyone, or prop it open to allow anyone in. This includes families dropping off and collecting from Breakfast and Tea Club. Our staff need to know who is entering the school building so that they know who is on site.

If you or your child is coming into school, please always ring the bell and wait to be let in. Thank you.

Local Educational Visits Consent Form

Last week, every family from Reception to Year 6 was sent a letter and consent form for local educational visits (on Weduc). The letter gives you lots of important information.

Currently more than half of our families have signed the consent form!

If you haven't yet done so, please read the letter carefully and sign the consent form as soon as possible. If you would like to discuss it further, please email the school office and ask to speak to a member of the senior leadership team. Thank you.

Parent/Carer Teacher Meetings

We will be holding our Spring Nursery to Year 6 Parent/Carer Teacher meetings during week beginning 18th March. You are able to book your appointment now through School Cloud/Weduc and the booking system will close on Sunday 17th March at 9pm. Please book as soon as you can to avoid disappointment. We look forward to welcoming you all during this week.

Breaktime Snack

Children in Years 3-6 are only permitted to bring in **fruit or chopped vegetables** for their mid morning snack. Please ensure they are not bringing in crisps, sweets, biscuits or chocolate. Thank you

Important Sumdog Message

Sumdog will be blocking access to the Sumdog website version on iPads for pupil users **today**. If your child enjoys playing Sumdog on their iPad or tablet at home, **please ensure that you have downloaded the app version before this date**.

Something Wonderful to Celebrate

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

E Penguin	Sara & Shems
Cormorant	Ramzi & Scarlett
Shoebill	Jacob & Malcolm
Macaw	Och & Abidah
Heron	Basmat & Daphne
Cassowary	Kyran & Maurice
Hornbill	Hamidah & Hareem
Red Kite	Skye & Kaelo
Puffin	Lex & Melody
Magpie	Maya & Brandon
Hawk	Even & Emilia
Kingfisher	Elianna & Mia
Woodpecker	Malak & Matilda
Parakeet	Haseenah & Farhane
Kestrel	Zayaan & Esther
Swift	Summer & David
Little Owl	Little Owl Class
Goldfinch	Jude & Kit



Attendance and Punctuality

Overall school attendance this week:	95%	
Top classes with attendance over 95%:	Hawk	99%
	Puffin	97%
	Hornbill	97%
	Magpie	97%
	Woodpecker	97%
A huge well done to Hawk class who had 99% attendance this week		
Top classes with all children in on time	Hawk, Sparrow, Goldfinch, Kestrel, Parakeet, Magpie, Macaw Huge well done to them all 🎉	

Important Dates in Feb and March

February 2024		March 2024	
Tues 6 th Feb 8.45 – 9.15 am	Open Classroom Years 1, 3, 5	Week beg 18 th March	Parent/Teacher Meetings
Thurs 8 th Feb 8.45 – 9.15 am	Open Classroom Years 2, 4, 6	Thurs 28 th March	Last day of term
Mon 12 th – Fri 16 th Feb	Half Term	Fri 29 th March – Fri 12 th April	Easter Holidays



A message from the Brindishe Friends Group

WORLD BOOK DAY SALE NEXT THURSDAY - 7th March! - we are holding a pre-loved book, toy and game sale to celebrate World Book Day.

Collections for any good quality items your family has outgrown will take place on: Tues 5 and Weds 6 March BEFORE and AFTER school

We will also be collecting **cakes and bakes at school drop off on morning of 7 March** to sell at the event.

If you want to donate and your child is in Breakfast or Afterschool Club please let us know so we can arrange this: bfgsocials@gmail.com
Please feel free to share the poster on your school WhatsApp chats - we want to spread the word as wide as possible!

PLAYGROUND REDESIGN CONSULTATION REMINDER - There are plans to redevelop the playground to make better use of space and create an outdoor classroom. Previously the BFG had agreed to fund a reading shed. This now has the potential to be a much bigger, more exciting project! A number of you have already been in touch to let us know your thoughts and ideas and with offers of help. We'd love to hear from more people.

Please email us: bfgsocials@gmail.com.

Comments will be passed on to the school.

Please keep scrolling...

BFG World Book Day Cake, Toy & Book

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Bring your
change!

Thursday
7th March
3:15pm

children's books • toys
puzzles • games • cakes & treats

free entry • most items 50p/£1



Do you have toys and books that are outgrown or unloved? We want your **good quality** second-hand books, toys and games for our World Book Day sale. We're collecting toy and book donations before and after school on the following days:

Thursday 22nd & Friday 23rd Feb

Tuesday 27th & Wednesday 28th Feb

Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th Mar

(cakes and bakes on the morning of 7th Mar only)



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