

Newsletter

Friday 20th October 2023



Brindishe
Green

What has been happening this week?

This week Cassowary class have enjoyed their final week at swimming. Thank you to the staff and parents who took the children to and from the pool every day.

Also this week, Year 6 visited the Imperial War Museum as part of their learning on World War 2. Many members of the public and staff at the museum commented on the children's fantastic behaviour and how they worked collaboratively to carry out their learning.

Thank you to all the parents who attended our Nursery and Year 1 workshops this week, and to all the parents/carers who came into school for their Year 1, 3 and 5 child's Open Classroom on Thursday.

What is happening next week?

We hope you all have a great half term next week and look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 30th October at 8.35-8.45am.

After half term Year 2 are visiting the Hindu Temple and Macaw class are going swimming.

Courtney Orange - visiting athlete

On Wednesday, November 8, 2023, the school is thrilled to host **top athlete Courtney Orange**. Courtney is from Zimbabwe and took up gymnastics at 7 years old. He began pursuing his Olympic dreams in London and competed in the 2002 Commonwealth Games.



Courtney will lead a sponsored fitness circuit for all pupils.

This will be followed by a motivational assembly and a Q&A session, with the aim of inspiring students to be more physically active and discover their life passions.

Please find attached the letter with more information regarding sponsorship and the event.

Scholastic Book Fair -Thank you!

A huge thank you to everyone who bought a book from the fair this term. £998.21 was collected and as a result, we have received rewards from Scholastic to be able to spend on books for our classrooms.

Writing Competition Winners

We were delighted with the number of children who submitted entries to our writing competition a couple of weeks ago. We are thrilled to be able to announce the winners from across the school:

George y1, Devaani y3,
Melody y4, Daphne y5, Elsie y6

Ofsted Report

Ofsted are now writing their report which then must go through a moderation and checking process, before the school gets to see a draft copy.

Their timeline suggests that we will have the final report to share with you by the end of November.

Year 6 - Applying for Secondary Schools

All Year 6 parents/carers MUST submit their secondary school application by 31st October at the very latest!

Please can we encourage you to do this over half term, if you haven't done so already.

After Half Term

After half term we will notice a change in the weather and it will start to get dark earlier. Please can we ask that all children come to school with **a warm waterproof coat** so that they can still play and learn outside. Please ensure that this is labelled with their name.

Also, our cloakrooms are getting very full as more big coats and scarves etc are brought in. As a result, please can we ask that children do not bring in a big bag/rucksack that takes up a lot of space - lots of rucksacks are very hard to store in the classroom or cloakroom. Children only need a bag to hold their water bottle, hat/scarf/gloves and reading books. School bookbags are a perfect size and can be purchased on [My Clothing](#) website for £6.50. Thank you.

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



E Penguin	Emperor Penguin
Cormorant	Cormorant
Shoebill	Shoebill
Macaw	Alex & Thevishan & David
Heron	Yachen & Daniel
Cassowary	Navie-Mae & George
Hornbill	Harrison & Caroline
Red Kite	Kaelo & Enny
Puffin	Ibrahim & Saswin
Magpie	Magpie & Brandon
Hawk	Eliza
Kingfisher	Kyle & Kevwe
Woodpecker	Felix & Michael
Parakeet	Harper-Rose & Rachel
Kestrel	Zak & Sebastian
Swift	Swift
Little Owl	Abisola & Zaydan
Goldfinch	Felipe & Gael

Attendance This Week:

Overall school attendance this week:	94.97%	
Top 5 classes with attendance over 95%:	Hornbill	100%
	Heron	97.54%
	Magpie	97.46%
	Cormorant	97.24%
	Shoebill	97.12%
A huge well done to <i>Hornbill</i> class who had 100% attendance this week		
Top classes with all children in on time	There were no classes with all children in on time this week	

Important Key Dates - Oct and Nov

October 2023		November 2023	
Black History Month		Tues 14 th Nov 10am & 4:30pm	Open day for prospective Nurs/Rec families
Tue 17 th Oct - 10:00am & 4:30pm	Open day for prospective Nursery/Rec families	Thurs 16 th November @ 3:15-3:45pm	Open Classroom Years 2, 4, 6
Thurs 19 th Oct - 3:15-3:45pm	Open classroom Years 1, 3, 5	13 - 17 th November	Celebrating Diversity/Anti-Bullying Week
Mon 23 rd - Fri 27 th Oct	Half Term	Fri 17 th Nov	Flu immunisations R-Y6
		Fri 24 th Nov	Inset Day No school



A message from the Brindishe Friends Group

WINTER CLOTHES COLLECTION - We will be collecting coats, jackets, jumpers (including uniform jumpers) sweaters and shoes on the mornings of Weds 1st & Thurs 2nd November. These will be offered out to all from 8th November. Please take a moment this half term to dig out any good quality items that no longer fit.

WINTER FAIR MEETING - The next BFG Committee meeting is scheduled for 14th November 4:30pm - 6pm at the school. This will purely be to focus on the Winter Fair preparation and planning. Please come if you can - we need as many volunteers as possible. Do let us know by emailing: bfgsocials@gmail.com

POSTER COMPETITION - We want to create an amazing display of festive themed artwork by Brindishe Green children for the Winter Fair on 8th December. See below for more information.

CAKES + PIZZA - Thank you so much for your generosity! We raised an incredible **£445** from the cake sale and the make-at-home pizza night which will go towards a range of exciting projects including food parcels for Brindishe families who need help during the holidays and also creating Brindishe Green's very own Book Shed - a place children can go to read books during play and lunch time. More info coming on that!

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Winter Fair Poster Competition!



Could you create a fabulous festive picture for our Winter Fair posters?

Time for Brindishe Green students to get creative! We want to see your festive scenes & winter wonderlands. Your picture can be drawn or painted and should be on A4 paper. You can include any of the following details:

Brindishe Green Winter Fair

Friday 8th December, 3:15-5pm

Food & Drink • Crafts & Games • Meet Santa

Hand your completed masterpiece into the school office by 9am on Friday 3rd November with your name and class clearly written on the back.

There are prizes to be won! Winning pictures will feature on Winter Fair posters & signs, and on our Facebook page.