

Brindishe **Manor**

Monday 10th September 2023

Welcome back!

Welcome back to all of our children and families. We have really enjoyed seeing all of our children settle back into the first few days of school and hearing about their summer break. We would also like to say a special welcome to our Nursery and Reception families who have joined us this past week for our stay and play sessions.



What has been happening this week?

This week we have introduced the children to some of our wonderful new play equipment. This has included a range of physical activities like balls, bounce nets for developing ball skills, target games, tennis rackets and basketball hoops. We have also added a range of resources for the children to develop their own play, such as: large wooden blocks, large and small tyres, planks, crates and more den building resources. We have also re-stocked our indoor lunchtime offer, which is our indoor space, offering Lego, a variety of arts and crafts, drawing and board games.



Attendance

Each year, the government require children to be at school for a minimum of 96% of the time. Each week we will celebrate classes that have worked hard to achieve 100% attendance and also made improvements to their attendance. We will share this with you.

Year Group Curriculum Meetings

Last year we asked you to complete our annual survey and we have spent time reflecting on the comments that you made and the areas that we can improve in.

Communication was one of those areas. You wanted to learn more about what your child/ren would be learning over the course of the year and what the expectations were for that year. You also wanted to have a more consistent approach to finding out what your child will be doing the following week and what spellings your child should be learning. Therefore, we have decided to run year group meetings over the course of the next two weeks so that we can explain all of this information to you. Please see the table opposite for when your child/ren's meeting day is. Please do not worry if you can not make these meetings, as all information will be available on Weduc after the meeting.

Year group meeting dates:

Year 1

Monday 11th September 3:30pm

Year 2

Tuesday 12th September 3:30pm

Year 3

Wednesday 13th September 3:30pm

Year 4

Thursday 14th September 3:30pm

Year 5

Monday 18th September 3:30pm

Year 6

Tuesday 19th September 3:30pm

Key Dates

This year we have listened to you carefully and understand how helpful it is for us all if you have as many key dates as early as possible.

We have worked with teachers to agree dates for events such as Science week, DT weeks each term, open classroom sessions and parents evenings. All of these Autumn dates are now on the Weduc Calendar for you to access with Spring and Summer coming in the next couple of weeks. Please download the Weduc App so that you can see these events and more Brindishe Manor news.

If you need support with accessing Weduc, then please pop in to our office and Michael (our IT support) will be more than happy to help.





School uniform

Please can we remind parents and carers that children should not be wearing jewellery to school. This includes hooped earrings and rings as it can be dangerous when children are running around and taking part in PE.



PSFA NEWS



WELCOME BACK!

A very warm welcome back to all families from the PSFA, especially to the new families joining reception or nursery.

You may have spotted that the new playground equipment is now in place, funded by the PSFA and your donations, and the children have already been enjoying using it at playtimes.

Everyone who joins the school is automatically part of Brindishe Manor Parent, Staff and Friends Association and any support or help is always appreciated. Our group of regular volunteers organise community events and fundraise for the school.

If you are interested in helping in any way or would like more information, please email <u>brindishemanorpsfa@gmail.com</u> or speak to one of the PSFA.

A few of the events held last year were:

- · Christmas & Summer fairs
- School discos (y1-6)
- Halloween trail
- World food night
- · Cake sales & much more



Watch this space for dates coming soon!

Brindishe Manor PSFA (1117178) (Parents, Staff and Friends Association)





Being a Parent

The course helps parents and carers learn practical communication skills for everyday life and bring up confident and happy children. It helps improve parents' wellbeing and parenting techniques, builds families' social and community connectedness.

The course is **free** and **highly recommended**.

- **Downham Library**: 7-9 Moorside Road, BR1 5EW
 Wednesdays, 10:00am-12:00pm starting on 4th October 2023
- Clyde Hub: Alverton Street, Deptford, SE8 5NH
 Thursdays, 10:00am-12:00pm starting 5th October 2023
- **St. Mary's Lewisham PS**: 329 Lewisham High Street, SE13 6NX Fridays, 9:30am-11:30am starting 6th October 2023 (*Internal parents only*)

Course is delivered term-time only.

Places are limited per term. It is first come first serve basis and you will automatically be put in a waiting list once the list is full.

For information and registration, please contact:



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