



Brindishe
Manor

Newsletter

Friday 14th November 2025

Staffing news at Brindishe Manor

You will remember that I wrote to you back in the Summer term and again at the start of this term about Gemma Caller, our Inclusion lead, being away from school unwell. Gemma had been diagnosed with cancer in May 2025 and has spent time completing her cancer treatment.

I am really pleased to be able to tell you that Gemma is now well enough to return to work and has spent the last week in school getting back to supporting the children, parents and teachers. However, during her time away from school, Gemma took the opportunity to think about what she wanted to do once she was well and has made the decision to join a school local to her home and for fewer days in the week.

I wanted to take the opportunity to publicly thank Gemma for all of her dedication, commitment and passion for her role as Inclusion lead at our school. It is simply the most challenging job in any school at the moment. SEND systems nationally are in crisis and financial support for children, families and schools are becoming depleted at a staggering rate. Gemma has worked tirelessly for children, families and teachers in our school. She has worked regularly over her weekends and holidays to get things done and has really transformed the support that some of our children have in order to access the curriculum.

Gemma will be working with us until the end of the term so there will be time to send our thanks again, but all of the staff would like to say a huge thank you to Gemma for everything she has done over the past 4 years. We have learnt so much from her and have felt very supported by her.

During the rest of the term, Verity Farrant, Brindishe Lee Inclusion lead will continue to work on Tuesday's to support the school. Once we have formulated a plan for the Spring term and beyond, we will write to you.

Children in Need

Thank you to our families who donated to Children in Need this week. Brindishe Manor raised £412.15.

We will now send the money to the charity and speak with the children about the impact their money can have on the charity.



Reminders

Open classroom is at 3:15pm on Monday 17th November. The children will be leaving a few of their books out for parents and carers to have a look at after school. Please walk around the school to visit multiple children's classrooms as we have Sportacus using our main hall.

Book corner fresh supplies

We are currently auditing our reading corners in classrooms and would love to include more comics, children's magazines and newspaper. If you can donate any copies of some of the following, we know the children would love to enjoy them in their book corners.

