Newsletter

Friday 13th November 2026

Brindishe Green

Book your Parent/Teacher Meeting Appointment from 7pm tonight!

What has happened this week?

As we send the newsletter out, our Year 6 children are currently on their way back from their 4 night residential trip. They have had the most wonderful week and represented the school, and their families, beautifully! A huge thank you to the staff who supported the children throughout the week.

The remaining Year 6 children had a super week, taking part in fun activities with Ms Riddel, including a visit to the cinema, and supporting other teachers around the school with their classes.

Also this week, we welcomed Year 5, 4, 2 and Reception families to their child's Open Classroom.

Year 3 went to London Zoo on Tuesday. This linked with their Science learning on animals and their skeletons. They had a fantastic time.

What is happening next week?

Next week, Year 4 will continue with their cricket lessons. We will hold another Open Day for families whose children are due to start Reception in Sept 2027.

And....it is Celebrating Diversity Week!

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Brindishe Manor - Wrap Around Care Vacancy

We have a vacancy at BM for Extended Services Play Lead for Tea Club. If you are interested in applying for the role, or know someone who might be, please visit the school website or Lewisham Jobs, where they can find the advert, application form and job description .

Flu Catch Up Clinic

The nursing team will visit Brindishe Green on Thursday 19th November to run their Flu Catch Up Clinic.

Celebrating Diversity Week 2026



This year our Celebrating Diversity Week will take place from **16th to 20th November**. The theme will be **Our Inspiring World - 7 Continents, Many Lives.** The children will learn about a range of inspirtational people from across every continent, learning that every continent and country is different. They will learn that each country has a diverse range of people living in it too.
The week will start with assemblies led by Ms Campbell and Ms Dee.



On Monday, it is Odd Socks Day - we encourage everyone to come in wearing odd socks. We will all enjoy the BFG Bake Off Competition on Thursday.

On Friday 20th, Brindishe will celebrate Children in Need (a week later than scheduled) and our theme will be Wear Your Country With Pride! Everyone is encouraged to wear something that represents the country they feel most connected to - traditional costume, national team sports kit, flag or colours. If you can, we encourage a small donation to Children in Need.



Winter Clothing - Please Check

As we head into the darker, colder months, please can we encourage parents/carers to **make sure children are coming to school wearing appropriate clothing.** We suggest:

- A warm coat - labelled
- A warm jumper/hoodie - labelled
- A long sleeved top or vest

You can check for missing items in playground, the Lost Property box, or in the baskets in the foyer. They might also still be in the classroom. **Also, please check that all coats and jumpers are labelled**. Our aim is to reduce the amount of items in Lost Property, and the amount we donate to charity at the end of the term. Thank you.





Eco School Challenge - Curb Your Carbon!

This November, we are taking part in the Cut Your Carbon initiative, designed to reduce our carbon emissions and encourage more sustainable habits. Over the month, pupils will complete nine small carbon-cutting activities at home with their friends and family. **This will form part of their ME Book tasks.** At the end of the challenge, we will calculate how much carbon our school community has saved, showing how small changes can make a big difference.

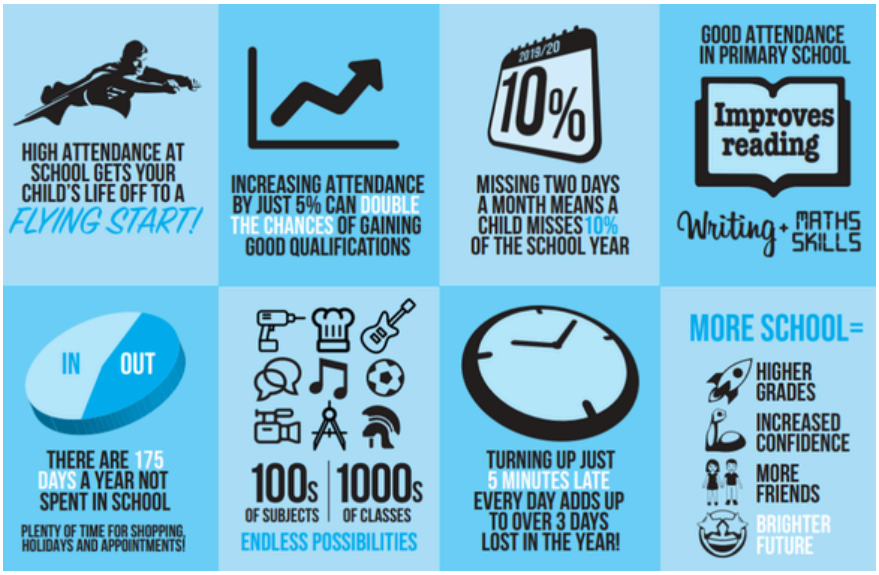


Something Wonderful to Celebrate

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

E Penguin	Emperor Penguin
Cormorant	Cormorant
Shoebill	Shoebill
Macaw	Macaw Class
Heron	Francis Dean & Victoria
Cassowary	Felix & Yiyu
Hornbill	Dylan Rose & Zarar
Red Kite	Luciana & Hajera
Puffin	Noah & Olivia
Magpie	Sophie and Avesta
Hawk	Esmé & Elliott
Kingfisher	Zoland & Eleanora
Woodpecker	Finn CT & Elias
Parakeet	Ilham & Lael
Kestrel	Mustapha & Freya
Swift	Liam & Amira
Little Owl	Robin & Leena
Goldfinch	Hamza & Aurora
Robin	Elia & Aki
Wren	Joshua & Charlotte
Sparrow	Samuel & River

Attendance and Punctuality



Important Dates - Autumn 2

November 2026		December 2026	
16th – 20th Nov	Celebrating Diversity Week!	Wk beg 30th Nov	Parent/Teacher Meetings
Open Classroom 3:15-3:45pm Monday 9th Nov – Year 5 Tuesday 10th Nov – Year 2 Wednesday 11th Nov – Reception and Nursery Thursday 12th Nov – Year 4		**Winter Performances/ Events** Tues 8th Dec - Year 2 – 9am Tues 8th Dec - Year 3 – 2.30pm Thurs 10th Dec - Year 1 – 9am Thurs 10th Dec - Year 4 – 2.30pm Tues 15th Dec - Reception – 9am Tues 15th Dec - Year 5 – 2.30am Wed 16th Dec - Year 6 – 9am Thurs 17th Dec - Nursery – 8.45am	
Tuesday 17th 10am and 4.30pm	Sept 2027 Reception Open Day	Thurs 17th Dec	Christmas lunch and jumper day
Fri 27th Nov	**Inset Day - No school for children**	**Fri 18th Dec** (4th Jan – INSET Day)	**Last Day** Christmas Holidays

Parent Governor Vacancy
We have an upcoming vacancy for a parent governor who will be elected by parents to represent them on the governing board. Details of the role and the nomination form were sent out by email on Friday 6th November. If you wish to put yourself forward please complete the forms and return to the school office . The closing date for nominations is midday on **Friday 20th November**

Drop-off and Pick-Up by Car
We are writing to remind everyone about some important rules around drop-off and pick-up times, following concerns raised by our local residents and witnessed by our own staff.

- Avoid entering the School Street zone very early as arriving early and waiting in your car with the engine on (idling) causes disruption to our neighbours and contributes to poor air quality
- Please be considerate and park only in designated areas - please do not block driveways.
- Please switch off your engine if you're waiting in your car

Lee Green Open Studios
Once again, Brindishe schools are hosting the Lee Green Open Studios!

Come join families and artists at this very popular local walking trail, taking place at Brindishe Lee and Brindishe Green Schools on 14-15th & 21-22nd November 2026, from 11am-5pm.

A lovely pre-festive arts event, there are more than 50 artists taking part at 13 venues. Each venue is free and most are accessible as well. A huge range of art will be available to see and buy, ranging from Christmas cards to paintings, books to metalwork, ceramics to crochet, jewellery to perfume, photography, pyrography, and more!

There also will be workshops for children at Brindishe Green on Saurday 14th and 21st November.

Please pick up a leaflet at the school office or go online for details: https://www.leegreenopenstudios.com/

Hope to see you there!

A Message from the Brindishe Friends Group



Get your mixing bowls ready!

Thursday 19th November is our **Bake Around the World Great Brindishe Bake Off**! Bake something inspired by your culture, a favourite place or a flavour you love. Bring it in on Thursday morning with a completed Entry and Allergen Form. All bakes must be nut free.

Bring your spare change after school for the Cake Sale, and celebrate our brilliant school community!

Download an Entry Form





Countdown to the Winter Fair!
Friday 4th December

Our Winter Fair is just three weeks away! It's going to be a brilliant afternoon of festive fun: games, crafts, food and lots of prizes.

🎟️ **Get your raffle tickets now**
We have some fab raffle prizes confirmed already including a **£150 movie night at home kit** kindly donated by Bryan & Keegan, **ice skating tickets**, **gym memberships**, a **festive wreath**, **cinema tickets**, **toys and games**, and more added every day.

Get your raffle tickets

🙋 **Coud you spare an hour?**
We still need helpers for stalls, setting up and selling raffle tickets. Even one hour makes a huge difference, and it's a lovely way to meet other families. Not sure what's involved? Have a look at our Volunteer Q&A.

🎁 **Tombola donations needed**
The tombola is always one of the busiest stalls at the fair, and all our prizes come from BG families. If you've got something tucked away in a cupboard, we'd love to give it a new home!

🍾 **Bottles of all kinds**: (wine, drinks, bubble bath, etc)
🍭 **Sweets and chocolate treats**
🎁 **Unopened gifts** for grown-ups or children
🧸 **New or almost-new** toys and games

Every donation helps raise more for our school!

Buy your raffle tickets and drop off donations in the playground (Wed–Fri, before and after school).