

Newsletter

Friday 18th September 2026



Brindishe
Green

What has been happening this week

This week, Cassowary Class attended their first week of swimming at Glass Mill Leisure Centre. Ms Supple was very impressed with the number of children who could already swim, and a teacher from another school commented on how well behaved the children were. Thank you to all the parent/carers volunteers who accompanied them on their walk. The class will continue with their lessons next week. On Tuesday, Ms Lisa and Ms Cliftlands took a group of children to rehearse for The Thames Festival Trust Kids' Choir, which will be taking place on the steps of St Paul's Cathedral (a short walk from Cannon Street Station) this Saturday. If you are free, why not pop to the cathedral from 1.15-2pm, and enjoy this wonderful concert?



What is happening next week?

Next Tuesday, we will welcome families who have a child starting primary school in September 2027, to come and look at our school. If you know anyone who this applies to, please encourage them to contact the school office to book their place. Thank you!

Assessment	Brindishe Green		Lewisham		National	
Reception GLD	71%		70% (2025)		68.3% (2025)	
Year 1 Phonics Screening Check	83%		81% (2025)		80% (2025)	
Year 4 Multiplication Check	44%		39% (2025)		37% (2025)	
Year 6 KS2 Tests Expected Standard	Reading	92%	Reading	78%	Reading	75%
	Writing	84%	Writing	73%	Writing	72%
	Maths	94%	Maths	76%	Maths	74%
	Combined	82%	Combined	67%	Combined	63%
Year 6 KS2 Tests Greater Depth	Reading	59%	Reading	38%	Reading	34%
	Writing	18%	Writing	14%	Writing	13%
	Maths	49%	Maths	30%	Maths	27%
	Combined	13%	Combined	10%	Combined	9%

Our Outcomes - unvalidated

These are the assessment results for 2025/26. They all still have to be validated by the government. When this is done, a full breakdown will be published on our website.

We are very pleased with these results as they are all above National Average, all above Local Average and all above London Average.

Important Reminders

All children have now started school and we wanted to take this opportunity to send a few friendly reminders:

- If your **child is absent from you school**, you are required to email or telephone the school office before 8.30am.
- All **children must come off their bike or scooter** when on school premises. When you collect your child, please help them to push it until you are through the main gate.
- All adults are asked to not use their **mobile phone** when on the school premises, please.
- **Jewellery** - Children are only permitted to wear stud earrings and a watch. Hooped and dangly earrings, necklaces and bracelets are not permitted - [click here for more information](#).
- The school gate is open from **8.35-8.45am**. If your child comes after this time, **an adult must bring them to the school office to sign them in**. Reception and Nursery children will need to wait until a school adult is available to walk them to their classroom. Take bikes and scooters home with you.

Reading Volunteers

Would you like to be a regular volunteer in school? Would you like to support children with their reading and learning? If the answer is yes, please email info-BG@brindisheschools.org and ask for an application form.

Under safer recruitment, please note that all volunteers will need to have a conversation with a member of the SLT or Ruth Foster (HR Manager), are required to provide **2 professional references**, and obtain a **clear DBS**, which the school will organise.

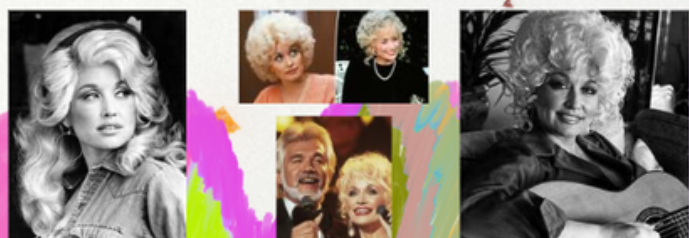
MUSICIAN OF THE MONTH

DOLLY PARTON



FROM: TENNESSEE, USA
YEARS ACTIVE: 1956 TO 2026

FAMOUS SONGS: "I WILL ALWAYS LOVE YOU",
"JOLENE", AND "9 TO 5"



Something Wonderful to Celebrate

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

E Penguin	Alia & Tomi
Cormorant	Hugo & Malakai
Shoebill	Oscar & Lily
Macaw	Bertie & Harold
Heron	Kai and Eva
Cassowary	Aya & Sophia
Hornbill	Zarar & Edward
Red Kite	Amber & Kit
Puffin	Sofia & Luca L
Magpie	Azizat, Layla and Brian
Hawk	Emmanuel & Crystal
Kingfisher	Dante & Zoland
Woodpecker	Benjamin & Alice
Parakeet	Inigo & Naimh
Kestrel	Thomas & Nala
Swift	Sophie & Awil
Little Owl	Robin & Akenzae
Goldfinch	Piper, Reign & Jacob
Robin	Jasper & Victoria
Wren	Siyâ & Abdullah
Sparrow	Sienna & Murdo

Musician of the Month

Every month, we focus on a different musician from around the world. We listen to and talk about their music, and learn about them, where they are from and why they are an inspiration. We explore the work of musicians from diverse backgrounds, spanning a variety of musical styles and traditions. September's Musician of the Month is global icon, **Dolly Parton**! We will share her music in class, in singing assemblies (Years 3-5), ME book tasks and through displays. Why not listen to some of her music with your family.

A Message from Lewisham about Childcare

Your views can help shape childcare services for local families. Whether you currently use childcare or not, Lewisham want to hear about your experiences of finding childcare, affordability, holiday childcare, childcare for children with SEND, and what would make childcare better for families

[Click here to access the short survey, and be entered into a draw to win a £50 voucher.](#)



Attendance and Punctuality

School Attendance & Punctuality this week:	93.2%	
Outstanding Achievement 🏆 Well Done Everyone!	Goldfinch Robin Shoebill Kingfisher	98.22% 98.08% 97.74% 97.47%
Great Punctuality! Well Done! 😊	Red Kite, Sparrow & Wren. Top spot for punctuality this week! Kestel 🦉	

Important Dates - Autumn 1

September 2026		October 2026	
Wed 2 nd Sep	Inset Days - No school for children	Black History Month	
Thurs 3 rd Sept	Start of Autumn term Y1-6	Open Classroom 3:15-3:45pm Monday 12 th Oct - Year 1 Tuesday 13 th Oct - Year 3 Thursday 15 th Oct - Year 6	
Year Group meetings - 9.00am Friday 4 th Sept - Year 6 Monday 7 th Sept - Year 1 Tuesday 8 th Sept - Year 2 Wednesday 9 th Sept - Year 3 Thursday 10 th Sept - Year 4 Friday 11 th Sept - Year 5 Wednesday 16 th Sept - Reception		Fri 2 nd Oct	Flu immunisations R-Y6
Tuesday 22 nd Sept 10am and 4.30pm	Sept 2027 Reception Open Day	Tues 13 th Oct 10am and 4.30pm	Sept 2027 Reception Open Day
		Mon 26 th Oct - Fri 30 th Oct	Half Term

A Message from the Brindishe Friends Group



Know a great Bean Counter?

We're on the hunt for a new **BFG Treasurer**, and you probably know the perfect person for the job!

Maybe it's the friend who always knows where their receipts are, or a parent at pick-up who used to do bookkeeping. Ideally it's someone with finance experience, but just as important is an eye for detail and a willingness to help. Know someone brilliant for this? Nominate them, have a chat with them, or put yourself forward... we'd love to hear from you.

Email bfgsocials@gmail.com if you can help or find out more on our Linktree.

 **Find out more**

Coffee Morning Next Friday 25th September

Join us next Friday after drop-off for a coffee and a catch-up. Come and meet other families and find out what's coming up... including our Winter Fair plans! We'd love to see you there!



Friday 25th September, 8.45–9.45am

 School Library (we'll meet you at the main entrance)

The Great Brindishe Swap Party!

Time to sort through those outgrown wellies, too-small winter coats and barely-worn Christmas jumpers!

We're running our first Clothes Swap, and we want your good-quality kids' clothes.

You can drop items off in our donations box at the school gate, or look out for us in the playground. Please only good-quality items – think "someone's new favourite", not the back of the drawer. 

On Swap Day, come and take what you like for free (or pop in a donation if you'd like). It's a **clothes swap meets Vinted night**, but free!

It's all part of Brindishe Green's work to reduce, reuse and recycle, so get digging through your cupboards! 

