

Brindishe Lee Newsletter  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021  
Headteacher: Ms Maxine Sebire



Dear families, governors, staff and friends,

As the September sun continues to shine, the children at Brindishe Lee are enjoying all the new sports equipment FAB kindly fundraised for us. A huge thank you to all the parents/carers who kindly donated. The children are really enjoying their new football goals, balls and bats as well as a plethora of new sports equipment.

In addition to this, it was lovely to show Liz Murphy, our Chair of Governors round the school. The children relished the opportunity to talk about their learning with her.

We hope you all have a happy and safe weekend!  
Kind regards,

Ms Sebire and the Brindishe Lee Team.

**Applying for Secondary School 2022**

All applications for Secondary Schools must be made through Lewisham Council Admissions. The deadline for applications is the **31st of October**. All Lewisham Secondary Schools are now advertising their open days/online sessions, so please have a look at each school for their dates and times. If you need any support when completing your application, please contact the school office via [info@brindishelee.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:info@brindishelee.lewisham.sch.uk) and the office team will signpost you to a member of SLT. Further information will be emailed out to parents/carers next week.

**Nut and Raisin-Free School**

Please can we remind parents/carers that we endeavour to be a nut-free school. We also have children in school with allergies to raisins and for this reason, we would also ask that items such as hot cross buns, Soreen malt loaf, fruit loaf etc are not part of your child's packed lunch. Thank you for your support with this matter and for helping us to keep all children safe.

**Brindishe Lee Harvest Collection - Reminder**

This year we are collecting rice for 'Helping Hands Foodbank' in Lee. If you are able to support Brindishe Lee's Harvest Collection, please bring packets of rice in to school by **Friday 1st October** via your child/ren's classroom. Thank you for your support and kindness.

**Water Bottle Reminder**

Please ensure you send your child in with their own, labelled water bottle each day.

**School Meals Email Address**

We have now set up a dedicated email address for all enquiries relating to school meals. If you have any questions about school meals, or need to discuss your child's dietary needs or anything else connected with school lunches, please email [schoolmeals@brindisheschools.org](mailto:schoolmeals@brindisheschools.org)



### LanguageNut

The International Day of Languages is celebrated globally on the **26<sup>th</sup> of September**, and Brindishe Schools are so lucky to have so many languages spoken and shared by our staff, children and families. In school, the language learned by all our children is Spanish. Why not have a go on LanguageNut, an app used to support the children's learning of Modern Foreign Languages. You might like to brush up on your Spanish or try one of their other 18 languages!

Just use your child's login found in their reading response book! Enjoy!

### Parent/Carer Meet the Teacher

Our *meet the teacher* appointments will soon be available for you to book. These will be held virtually in October. You will be sent information on how to book a 10-minute time slot on Monday.

### INSET Days and The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

An INSET day is a day in the year, where all staff are required to attend school for training or to complete administrative tasks. **Children do not attend school on these days.** This academic year, our INSET days as a federation are as follows:

INSET 1: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021

INSET 2: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021

INSET 3: Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021

INSET 4: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021

INSET 5: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Next year, there is an additional Bank Holiday to celebrate **The Queen's Platinum Jubilee**. Nationally this will be on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. As this date falls during the summer half term break, schools have been advised to take this day at another time. **Therefore, school will be closed on Monday 6th June 2021 to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.**

### #HelloYellow – World Mental Health Day

Brindishe Lee are planning to join thousands of schools, offices and communities on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October by taking part in #HelloYellow. As a school we will be raising awareness and vital funds to support YoungMinds this World Mental Health Day. We are asking the community to dig out your neon socks, custard scarf and banana hat - let's show young people they're not alone with their mental health! All donations will go to YoungMinds. Thank you for your support and kindness.

### Wrap Around Care - Reminder

Sportacus, our before and after school provider, is up and running. If you are interested in a place at their wrap around care, either before or after school, please call **Harry on 07828 218690** or email [Harry@sportacus.co.uk](mailto:Harry@sportacus.co.uk) for further information.



# Brindishe Green, Lunch Time Play Lead vacancy

## Maternity cover

Brindishe Green School, Beacon Road, London, SE13 6EH

**Salary: Scale 2N (Scale Point 3 – 4) pro-rata, Term Time Only**

**Actual Pro Rata Salary: Currently £8,955 per annum (paid in monthly instalments)**

**Hours: 16.25 hours per week (typically 11.30am - 2.45pm); Term Time Only (39 weeks per year)**

We are currently recruiting a Lunch Time Play Lead at Brindishe Green School to join on us on a temporary basis. The role will start on the 11th October 2021.

We are a very friendly team, working in a highly supportive environment where individual differences are welcome, and teamwork is highly valued.

Our motto is 'together we are more'.

We are looking for a committed and enthusiastic person who is looking for a job in which they can help make a difference to the lives of our children.

The post involves:

- Promoting children's safety and well-being
- Helping to maintain a safe and organised play/ lunch environment

We are looking for someone who:

- Can relate well to children and supervise them during lunch times
- Is aware of Health & Safety and can assist the Lunch Time Supervisor in supporting children during lunch times
- Is willing to follow school policies and procedures in relation to the role

As the role involves working with children, you will be required to undergo a full DBS check before being appointed to the post.

### Further Information:

The deadline for completed applications is midday on **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021**.

Interviews will be held on **week commencing Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021**.

Completed application forms should be returned to [rwaite@brindisheschools.org](mailto:rwaite@brindisheschools.org)

If you would like to have a conversation about the role before applying, please phone Adam Twyman, Headteacher, on 07939 308231.



## COVID UPDATES - PLEASE READ THIS INFORMATION

Please see below a copy of the decision chart to support you in knowing what to do if your child or another member of your household is exposed to Covid-19 in the coming weeks.

What do I do if.....	What ACTION is needed?	When can I RETURN to school?
My child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19: <b>Sore throat, runny nose, headache, tummy ache, chicken pox, tonsillitis, sickness, diarrhoea</b>	Follow the usual School Absence Policy	When the child is feeling better <b>or 48 hours</b> if the illness is sickness/diarrhoea
My child has one or more of the 3 main Covid-symptoms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>HIGH TEMPERATURE</b> – this means feeling hot to the touch on the chest or back</li> <li>• <b>A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH</b> – this means coughing for more than an hour, or having 3 or more episodes in 24 hours</li> <li>• <b>A LOSS OR CHANGE TO SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE</b> – this means being unable to taste or smell as usual</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Contact school to inform us</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Obtain a PCR test</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Self-isolate until results are known</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Siblings <b>who have no symptoms</b> should continue to attend school</p>	On receipt of a negative test result and when your child is well enough to attend
My child tests <b>positive</b> for Covid-19	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Contact the school to inform us, stating the earliest possible date of return</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Engage fully with NHS Test and Trace</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Engage with remote learning if your child is well enough to do so</p>	<p>After the applicable isolation period and when your child is well enough to attend</p> <p>Children can return after 10 days' even if the cough and loss of taste/smell remains. This can last for weeks</p>
My child tests <b>negative</b> for Covid-19	Contact school to inform us	...same day/next day and when they are well enough to return
Someone in my house is ill with Covid-19 symptoms	<p style="text-align: center;">Obtain PCR tests for everyone in your household and advise all close contacts of the person with symptoms to do the same</p> <p style="text-align: center;">If your child(ren) have no symptoms of Covid-19 they should continue to attend school while awaiting the test result. If your child(ren) have symptoms, they must self-isolate for the required period or until a negative PCR test result is received.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A person is only required to isolate if they are over the age of 18 years and 6 months <b>and</b> are <b>not</b> double vaccinated. Any person who is double vaccinated or is under the age of 18 years and 6 months are not required to isolate <b>unless</b> they test positive or have 1 or more of the 3 main symptoms of Covid 19.</p>	
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<p>NHS Test &amp; Trace has identified my child as being in close contact of someone with symptoms confirmed as Covid-19</p>	<p>Obtain a PCR test for your child</p> <p>If your child has no symptoms of Covid-19 they should continue to attend school while awaiting the test result. If your child has symptoms, they must self-isolate for the required period or until a negative PCR test result is received.</p> <p>A person is only required to isolate if they are over the age of 18 years and 6 months <b>and</b> are <b>not</b> double vaccinated. Any person who is double vaccinated or is under the age of 18 years and 6 months are not required to isolate <b>unless</b> they test positive or have 1 or more of the 3 main symptoms of Covid 19.</p>	
<p>Someone other than NHS Test and Trace has informed me that I am a close contact of someone who has tested positive for Covid-19</p>	<p>Obtain a PCR test for your child</p> <p>If your child has no symptoms of Covid-19 they should continue to attend school while awaiting the test result. If your child has symptoms, they must self-isolate for the required period or until a negative PCR test result is received.</p> <p>A person is only required to isolate if they are over the age of 18 years and 6 months <b>and</b> are <b>not</b> double vaccinated. Any person who is double vaccinated or is under the age of 18 years and 6 months are not required to isolate <b>unless</b> they test positive or have 1 or more of the 3 main symptoms of Covid 19.</p>	
<p>We/my child has travelled and needs to self-isolate as a period of quarantine</p>	<p>Do not take unauthorised leave in term-time</p> <p>Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel</p> <p>Return from a destination when quarantine is needed</p> <p>Agree an earliest possible date for return</p>	<p>...the quarantine period has been completed</p>