

Newsletter



Friday 7th June 2024

What has been happening this week?

Firstly, a huge thank you to you all for racing back to school on Monday lunchtime to bring your child a packed lunch! Thames Water had visited us in the holidays to do some work at the back of the school and we suddenly found ourselves with no water in Nursery, Reception and the Lunch room. Thank you so much everyone!

Welcome back to the second half of our Summer term. We have finally seen some sunshine this week and had a great time at Ladywell track for Years 4, 5 & 6 Federation sports day. It was a fabulous day which the children all enjoyed. It was wonderful to see all the children supporting one another and having a try at a whole range of events, including a few races on the athletics track! Thank you to everyone who came along to support the children and walk with us to the arena. It felt like a great event and was lovely to see so many families there.

School photos: This week we also had our individual, family and class photos taken. These will be sent back to us soon and we will then be able to share the information with you so that you can make your orders.



Coming up...

Over the next few weeks we are looking forward to taking our Year 6 children on their residential trip to Swanage for the week

Overall school attendance this week:	95%	
Top 5 classes with attendance over 95%:	Rashford	99%
	Thunberg	99%
	Yousafzai	98%
A huge well done to Rashford and Thunberg	Latimer	98%
99% attendance this week	Goldsworthy	97%
Top classes with all children in on time	Jeffers, Turing, Pankhurst Huge well done to them all &	



If your child is going to be absent from school, it is important that you ring our school office and leave a message before 8:45am.

Once the registers are taken, we will begin calling parents and carers who have not called us already. As you can imagine, this can be a lengthy process if you haven't left a message.

We have been asked by Lewisham colleagues to share this flyer with you to promote a session being held on Tues 16th June 6-8 at the Civic Suite in Catford. They would like to gather views from as many parents and carers as possible to inform their work on refreshing the Lewisham SEND Strategy. All are welcome, and all details are below.





HAVE YOUR

Lewisham SEND Strategy 2024-2027

We would like to ensure parents/carers and young people with SEND have their voices heard in the development of this strategy and are involved in decision making about both their individual support and local provision.

For Parents/ Carers and Parent/ Carer Representative Groups



How to get involved?

Join us on 13 June 2024 6pm-8pm at Civic Suite, Catford Road, London SE6 9SE (or attend virtually).

Please scan the QR code to express an interest in taking part or contact: Benson Dibiah | benson.dibiah@lewisham.gov.uk















Brindishe Federation Newsletter

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Parent/Carer Survey - HAVE YOUR SAY!

Every year, we ask our parents/carers to complete a survey to tell us about their experiences of Brindishe Schools during the current school year. These were sent to all Brindishe families on Monday 3rd June and will close on Monday 10th June. This survey is for the academic year 2023-2024. We kindly ask that each family completes a survey.

In addition, we have also asked all staff and children to complete their own survey too. Your views and comments are very important to us as we want to know what we are doing right, and what you think we could improve upon. Please give as much information as possible.

Your views count!

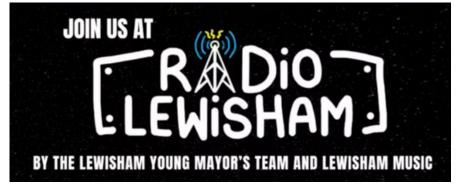
Radio Lewisham

Exciting times! Young person led radio station Radio Lewisham is here!

A platform for all young people in the borough to share their views and their talents. Launching **Saturday 29th June 1pm at Lewisham Music in Bellingham**, all welcome.

Currently there are four ways young people and schools/ youth organisations can get involved:
Individual young people can sign up for training and create ideas for radio shows.
Young people and DJs can use the platform to share their pre-recorded music/ mixes/ shows.
Schools and youth organisations can create a show with their young people and share it on Radio Lewisham Schools and youth organisations can share already recorded music, poetry, podcasts.

Young people can use the QR code on the image to register their interest, also on insta @radiolewisham / X



Weekly Online Safety Bulletin

Playing Games

Lots of people enjoy playing games, and there are different games for everyone.

But there are lots of things that might stop your game being fun, like: being bullied or hurt, not feeling able to stop, competing too much with other people, getting in trouble with your parents or carers for playing games too much.

If you're not enjoying gaming, there are lots of things you can do.

https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/online-gaming/

5 ways to keep gaming fun:

- Block, report and mute people who troll or bully you in games
- 2. Take short breaks if you're gaming for a long time
- Don't share personal information with people in games
- 4. Avoid in-game purchases like loot boxes
- 5. Check the age rating of any games you play

Right Respecting - LGBT+ History Month

Article 2: (non-discrimination) The Convention applies to every child without discrimination, whatever their ethnicity, gender, religion, language, abilities or any other status, whatever they think or say, whatever their family background.

Article 13: (freedom of expression) Every child must be free to express their thoughts and opinions and to access all kinds of information if it is within the law.

Article 17 - access to reliable information Every child has the right to reliable information from a variety of sources, and governments should encourage the media to provide information that children can understand. Governments must help protect children from materials that could harm them.

And remember, at the heart of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child are the values of dignity, equality and non-discrimination.

LGBT+ History Month takes place in February each year.

LGBT+ History Month is all about promoting fairness, equality and diversity and raising awareness of LGBT+ people and culture, now and in the past. It aims to give voice to LGBT+ experiences, celebrate achievements and highlight the challenges people still face today. It is also about helping everyone to learn more about LGBT+ culture and history.

The theme for this year, along with more information about the month, can be found here.

Why is it important to listen to, learn from and celebrate people's differences in school and in our community?

- ·It helps to remind us that we are all unique and should all be treated with dignity.
- ·lt reminds us that everyone has different experiences and everyone has the right to be listened to and express their opinions.
- ·When our differences are celebrated, we feel valued as people and our health and wellbeing improves.
- ·It helps all people to feel welcome in school.
- ·It reminds us that not all families or relationships look the same.
- It helps us to be open and respectful to new ideas about identity.
- ·We are all learning all of the time and by listening to others we continue to grow and learn.
- ·So that we can speak up and challenge unfair comments or actions.
- ·To help ensure that all children and young people's opinions are taken into account when making decisions about them.

<u>Listen to the story Julian is a Mermaid' read by the author Jessica Love</u>. What did you think of the story? Was there anything that surprised you? How did Julian's Abuela (Nana) react to him dressing as a mermaid? What did you think of her reaction? How can we help everyone to feel happy being themselves at school? Which rights does the story connect to?



At Brindishe Schools we talk to children about identity as part of their PSHME learning, in assemblies and within the classroom. Children at Brindishe Schools 'treat others as they would like to be treated'.







Key Federation Dates

- Federation Choir Concert Thursday 20th 4pm at Brindishe Green
- INSET Day schools closed to all children Monday 1st July
- End of Term Thursday 25th July 2024

Governing Body

If you would like to attend a Brindishe Federation Governing Body meeting, please email our Chair of Governors, Liz Murphy - lmurphy@brindisheschools.org. Our last meeting of this academic year is on *Tuesday 16th July at 6pm at Brindishe Lee School*.

PSFA



We're entering the last weeks of this school year but there is still loads to come. Please look below with how you can get involved. You can email the PSFA at brindishemanorpsfa@gmail.com

School discos - 12th & 13th June,

Years 1 to 6 grab your tickets now! **Tickets are £3 and need to be bought in advance.** You can buy them at the school office or here. https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/brindishe-manor-psfa

Summer fair - how you can help! Sunday 14th July, 12 to 3pm

Volunteers - We need more volunteers!! Please click 'sign up' below to register. **We really need help with glitter tattoos and facepainting.** We keep it simple with sencils and a few freehand designs, so anyone with a little creativity can work wonders, and the kids love it.

SIGN UP

Raffle prizes - Can you or your business offer any prizes for a raffle? Hampers, gift vouchers and new toys are all gratefully received. We will offer promotion in the PSFA communications, to any businesses who has donated a gift to this year's raffle. Contact the PSFA to offer your prize.

Tombola prizes - Please dig out any unused and unwanted gifts for our adult tombola. Stationery, unopened smellies, drinks and sweet treats are all great. We're asking for new and preloved (clean and in good condition) soft toys for the kids' tombola. Bring your items to the **school office from Tuesday 2nd July.**



Brindishe Manor PSFA is a registered charity - number 1117178



Brindishe Manor Science Competition



Monday 10th June — Friday 14th June

Due to our OFSTED inspection on 21^{st} and 22^{nd} May, our science leaders haven't had a chance to fully promote our science competition. Therefore, to give everyone a chance to take part we have decided to move the competition date to Monday 10^{th} June – Friday 14^{th} June.

This year the competition theme is.....

Super Sounds

We would like to invite every child to bring in a creation that makes a sound. We encourage you to be creative and have fun with your ideas.

The science team will be looking for.....

- Most successful (makes the best or loudest sounds)
- Most original
- Most effort





The rules are simple!

- All entries must arrive at school by Tuesday IIth June.
- The creation must be made by the children, children can work in small groups but no bigger than 3 children per group.
- The entry must be an original creation (no ready-made kits).

All winners will receive certificates and KS2 winners will enter a lucky dip draw for a chance to attend a science workshop at Colfe's School on Thursday 20th June.

We can't wait to see what you create!