



Brindishe
Manor

Newsletter

Friday 3rd May 2024

What has been happening this week?

This week some of our children's teams have met to plan what their team will be doing next to improve our school and children's learning experience. The Rights Respecting team met today to decide on some events that they would like to run throughout this term.

Children nominate themselves to be part of a team and then are voted for by their class. We change our teams after the Autumn term, so lots of children will get the chance to lead in an area, if they wish to.

Thunberg Class in Year 4 have enjoyed their swimming every day this week. Ms Blackie has reported that so many children have already improved their technique and water skills, and they still have next week to go!

The PSFA and Creative Chameleons joined forces yesterday to run a craft workshop after school for children. It was great to see so many of you joining us for the event after school and seeing the wonderful creations that the children made. Creative Chameleons will be running a pop-up workshop on 24th May...please see details below.

School Places

We currently have spaces in some of our year groups!
Do you know anybody who would like to join our wonderful school?
We have a few places in Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 currently.

If you know anyone who would be interested in their child attending our school then please ask them to contact our school office.

**Attendance
and
punctuality
this week**

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

Sumdog update



From 1st May you will need to install the latest version of Sumdog in order to access the platform. Older versions will no longer work.

This includes any iOS mobile phones or tablets, Android devices or Chromebooks.

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Party kits for hire

Do you spend money on single use plates, cups and other items for children's parties, only to throw them away at the end of the event? Now you can hire plates, cups, bowls and other party items for your child's special day.

In an effort to make our school and community a little greener, we're looking at how we can all reduce the single use items we use. It also raises money for our school!

You can hire a kit with up to 30 settings, the cost is £5, plus a £10 refundable deposit. Book using the link or QR code:

<https://calendly.com/brindishemanorpsfa/partykithire>



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5 Day Walking Challenge

The Rights Respecting team would like to invite and encourage all children to take part in Walk to School Week, which is taking part between Monday 20th - Friday 24th May.

If you usually drive or come to school by public transport, please think about walking throughout this week to get healthy and help the environment. Children from Nursery - Year 3 will be completing a Walk to School tally in their class.

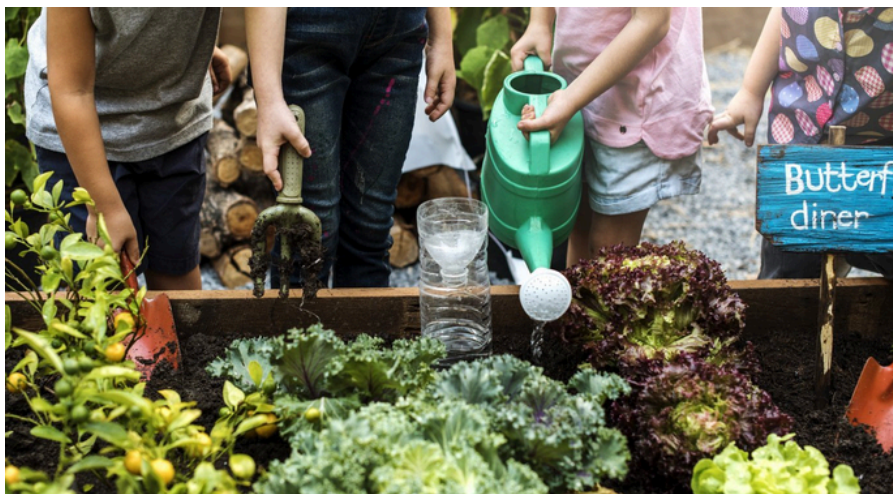


National Children's Gardening Week 25th May - 2nd June You may want to try one of these activities in your half term...

1. Encourage children to plant their own garden, whether it's a small patch in the backyard, a container garden on the balcony, or even a windowsill herb garden.
2. Take your children on nature walks, visit local parks or gardens, and explore the natural world together. Use this time to discuss the importance of plants, their role in the environment.
3. Organize fun gardening activities such as creating a fairy garden.
4. Learn through Books and Resources: Dive into gardening-themed books at the library!
5. Encourage children to share their gardening experiences with friends and family. By sharing their enthusiasm, children can inspire others to connect with nature and cultivate their own gardens.

Over the summer term children will be invited to help water the plans around school and support our younger children with their planting beds.

If you would ever like to donate a plant to the school, we will always find room to help it grow!





Creative Chameleons
ARTS & CRAFTS

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POP-UP
WORKSHOP

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB at
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Sustainable
inspired activity

Connect with
nature

Design and craft
your own mini
oasis

Unique creativity
of every young
artist

FRIDAY 24TH MAY
3.15-5.30PM
£19

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Have a lovely Bank Holiday Weekend.
See you all on Tuesday 7th May



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Parent/Carer Surveys

Every year we send out surveys to all our school community, including parents/carers, staff and children. We are in the process of finalising these surveys for you and before half term, we will send you all a **Survey Monkey** link with a short survey to complete. The questions are all multiple choice questions and there will be space for you to add comments. It is really important that as many of our parents/carers answer these questions so we can share and celebrate the good work we already do, listen to your feedback and focus on areas that need development. Look out for the surveys over the coming weeks.

Coming Soon

Over the last year, you would have seen our re-designed websites and new newsletters. Thanks to your feedback, we have worked hard to improve our communication to our school community. We are now VERY excited to inform you that our **Twitter/X** accounts are live. This social media platform will be to share and celebrate daily life of all three schools. Watch this space



2024/25 Term Dates

2024/2025 Term Dates are now on our school website.

<https://green.brindisheschools.org/termdates>

Please may we remind you that holidays should always be taken outside of school term time.



Weekly Online Safety Bulletin

Hanni and the Magic Window

Childnet have published a book titled 'Hanni and the Magic Window'. Aimed at children aged 3-7, the story is about speaking out and getting help if something goes wrong online. It is a terrific book to read at home with your child.

Download a copy here:

<https://www.childnet.com/blog/take-an-adventure-through-online-safety-with-our-new-book-hanni-and-the-magic-window/>



Right Respecting Article Of The Week

Article 24 Health and Health Services

Every child has the right to the best possible health. Governments must provide good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food, and a clean environment and education on health and well-being so that children can stay healthy.

Article 33 Drug Abuse

Governments must protect children from the illegal use of drugs and from being involved in the production or distribution of drugs.

People use medicines, vaccines and drugs for lots of different positive reasons. What reasons can you think of?

- To treat an illness.
- To protect them from infection and possible illness.
- To make sure they get the right vitamins.
- To help them sleep better.
- To feel relief from pain.
- To help treat serious mental ill-health
- To protect them from allergies or allergic reaction



At Brindishe School, through our school curriculum **'The World is our Classroom'** we teach all children from EYFS to Year 6 about keeping safe inside and outside of school, whilst ensuring that we prepare them for later life. Drug education is key in this education and from a young age, our children are taught the difference between safe and unsafe substances through to legal and illegal drugs. We talk about how to keep healthy all the time: physically and mentally.

Drugs and medicines can help your body, but also harm your body. Discuss medicines and why taking some substances can be dangerous at home with your child. Have a look with your class at [this information from BBC Bitesize](#).



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 fifth meeting of this academic year is on **Wednesday 22nd May at 6pm** at Brindishe Lee School.

Key Federation Dates

- Spring Bank Holiday - **Monday 6th May**
- Year 6 SATS week - **Monday 13th May to Thursday 16th May**
- May Half Term - **Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May**
- INSET Day - schools closed to all children - **Monday 1st July** -
- End of Term - **Thursday 25th July 2024**