

## Brindishe Manor School

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**Friday 14 September 2018**

### **This week at Brindishe Manor**

This week we have been meeting our Nursery children and their families and are really looking forward to them starting a new journey at Brindishe Manor. We hope to see the Nursery children and their families at our 'Stay and Play' sessions, on 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> September:

9:30am until 10:30am for *MORNING* children

1:15pm until 2:15pm for *AFTERNOON* children

### **Parent Governor Positions**

Parents and Carers,

On Monday, the schools will be sending out a letter with details of two parent governor positions within the Brindishe Federation Governing Board. Parents from Brindishe Lee, Brindishe Manor and Brindishe Green will be welcome to apply for the posts and the Governing Board look forward to welcoming nominations from all of our school communities. All the information about the role will be included but if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's headteacher or myself.

Have a lovely weekend, Rachel Waite

### **Messages from the school office**

#### **Contact Details**

Please make sure that we have your most up-to-date contact details as we start the new school year. Following new safeguarding measures, we **MUST** have at least 2 emergency contacts for your child. You can update your child's details using your login details at <https://brindishe-manor.uk.arbor.sc> or come and let the school office know.

#### **Clubs**

Please note that clubs start from Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September. You should have received information about whether your child has gained a space in a club by today. If you are unsure, please contact the school office.

### **Calling all volunteers!**

We are looking for some parent/carer volunteers to hear children read in class. We need people who can spare an hour a week (on a regular day/time) to support individuals across the school with their reading. If you think you may be interested, please speak to Julie Hockham (Deputy Head) or myself, Kate Porter (Interim Headteacher) at the school gate. Alternatively, please email us: [headteacher@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk)

### **Attendance this week**

Key stage 1: Pearl Class 100% & Moonstone class 100%

Key stage 2: Opal Class 99.3 %

Fabulous attendance this week! It really does make a difference if your child is in school every single day!

### **Dates for your diary:**

<b>September 27</b>	Information evening for Y6 parents
<b>October 2</b>	Open day for prospective parents
<b>October 4</b>	Year 5 School Journey meeting – final arrangements
<b>Week beginning October 15</b>	Meet the Teacher, parent/carer meetings
<b>October 22 - 26</b>	Half Term
<b>October 31</b>	Secondary school application deadline
<b>November 5-7</b>	Year 5 school journey
<b>November 13</b>	Open day for prospective parents
<b>December 7</b>	Winter Fair – from 3:15pm
<b>December 12 &amp; 13</b>	Key Stage 1 winter performance
<b>December 17 &amp; 18</b>	Key Stage 2 winter performance
<b>December 19</b>	End of term

Interim Headteacher: Kate Porter Executive Head: Rachel Waite Chair of Governors: Lindsay Dale

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## **In class this week...**

**Every week we would like to share with you what each year group has been focusing on in class and offer some ideas on how you can support your child over the coming week.**

**In Year 1...**This week we have started our new learning theme - SUPERHEROES. We have been learning about onomatopoeia words and how to use them in sentences. In Maths, we have revised numbers and their values.

*At home you could.....*

*Have a go at writing as many onomatopoeia words you can think of e.g. plop, boom, puff. Can you identify any in of these special words in books?*

*You could have a go at counting different objects at home. Go on a 'number hunt', make a fruit salad and ask your child to count the pieces of fruit you use—make counting fun! Next week we will be focusing on comparing numbers using keywords more, less, greater and fewer.*

**In Year 2...**Amethyst & Ruby Class have started Year 2 in fine form. We have been learning about the oceans and the fantastic creatures who live there through our learning theme "Wonders of the Deep".

We were visited by Dougal the Deep-Sea Diver this week and have been writing interesting descriptive sentences that we will use to help us write a diary of Dougal's adventures next week.

*At home, you could...Investigate an interesting aquatic creature of your choice, finding out facts about them and the underwater habitats in which they live.*

**In Year 3...**Year 3 have started their maths learning by looking at their knowledge of place value in maths. We have been counting in ones and tens and also using the Dienes to make larger numbers. It would be really helpful if the children continued to practice counting at home, especially crossing over to the next tens. We have also been carrying out lots of research about the Stone Age and the Iron Age. We will be using the notes from our research to write our own non-chronological reports next week.

*At home you could continue to further research the Stone Age and Iron Age clothing, food and the types of homes they lived in.*

**In Year 4...**This week in Year 4 we have been investigating numbers up to 100,000. The children have been focusing on place value and understanding the value of numbers and digits. We have introduced the children to our new learning theme, which is all about the Tudors. The children are already really keen to find out more.

*At home, you could make a Tudor fact sheet with your child. It would be lovely to share some in class next week.*

### **In Year 5...**

We have begun exploring the novel 'Wonder' by R J Palacio. The children spent their time looking at the feelings and opinions of characters in the novel using the 'hot seating' technique to really help their thought process. This week, the children started writing diary entries in the role of one of the main characters using many literary techniques such as rhetorical questions and emotive language. In Maths, we have been looking at numbers up to 10 million, identifying place value and comparing digits. The children have worked very hard to read and write numbers using a place value chart to check their answers.

*At home you could ask your child to draw a place value chart and place a number in it for them. Can they round the number to the nearest hundred/ thousand?*

### **In Year 6...**

Year 6 have made an excellent start to term, throwing themselves into our World War 2 topic with gusto! They thoroughly enjoyed our World War 2 day, which included cracking Bletchley Park codes, performing the King's speeches, creating games to play in air raid shelters and marching to the tune of their own call-and-response chants.

*If any families have any WW2 memorabilia, or have relatives who would like to come into school and speak about their experiences or those of people they knew, please let us know!*

# ***Vitality Big Half*** ***Sunday 10th March 2019***

**Considering your first half marathon? Get fit and  
fundraise for the school at the same time.**

We are looking for parents, guardians and staff to take on this amazing challenge! The race starts at Tower Bridge and finishes in Greenwich.

- £15 entry fee
- £50 suggested fundraising target for the school
- Prize for the most funds raised

All abilities welcome, no previous running experience necessary. Support and 20 week beginner training plans available.

**Register your interest with the PSFA at the school office by 28th September.**

If you have already signed up to this event then please consider joining our group and fundraising for the school.

For information about the event visit- [www.thebighalf.co.uk](http://www.thebighalf.co.uk)