

Brindishe Manor Newsletter Friday 23rd April 2021 Headteacher: Kate Porter



Dear families, governors, staff and friends,

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter break and enjoyed the sunshine that came towards the end. The children have returned well-rested and raring to go!

We have had a very exciting start to the summer term, with children all beginning their new learning themes this week. Do have a look on your child's itsLearning page next week for the class newsletter which will give more information about your child's learning for the term. I think almost every class has been able to get outside to do some of their learning this week and it has been great to walk around and see the children.

Parent-teacher meetings

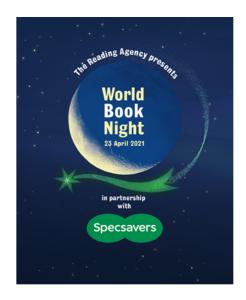
We are really looking forward to holding our parent-teacher meetings for all classes next week. The appointments are:

Tuesday 27th April 3:30-5pm Wednesday 28th April 3:30-5pm Thursday 29th April 3:30-5pm

These will be online again, as we are still unable to have the volume of adults in school that this would require. Please sign up for your appointment on Weduc and if you need support with this then please email info@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk

It is **World Book Night** on **Friday 23rd April!** This is a fantastic time to come together and celebrate the joy of books and reading. 2021 marks the 10th anniversary of this fantastic event with the theme being 'books to make you smile'. World Book Night is not just for the children, there are plenty of reading-related activities for the adults too, including many free online events organised by the British Library as well as access to free audiobooks. So why not grab some great books, pillows and blankets to create a cosy reading area for a family story time. You could even take some photos of your special reading snug and share them with your teacher and class via itsLearning.

Happy World Book Night! https://worldbooknight.org/



School Dinners

Please remember that school dinners for children in Years 3-6 should be paid in advance through Arbor. If your circumstances have changed and you think your child is now entitled to Free School Meals, you should make an application online and inform the school office straight away. Applications can be made using the following link: Applying for Free School Meals Online

Sleep

We have had a number of children return after the Easter holidays who have struggled with their sleep patterns. We talk frequently with the children about how sleep is such an important part of their day and how it will support you to be a better learner. Please have a look at the following link to find out more about the benefits of sleep and for support with any questions that you may have. https://www.aboutkidshealth.ca/article?contentid=645&language=english

Outside garden and grassed area

At Brindishe Manor, we have big plans for our outdoor learning space. We have a garden area and field that we would like to re-vamp! The PSFA have offered to support with funding this project through the kind donations of families and the wider community, however we need your help. If you are a landscaper, designer or architect who has any specialism in gardens, we would really like to borrow some of your time to get some advice, tips or inspiration for re-designing this area.

Please email Kate Porter directly on headteacher@brindishemanor.lewisham.sch.uk if you think you or someone you know can help us!

Important Dates

Tuesday 27th April – Parent-teacher meetings online Wednesday 28th April - Parent-teacher meetings online Thursday 29th April - Parent-teacher meetings online Monday 3rd May - Bank Holiday Monday 31st May – 4th June - Half Term Monday 7th May – Inset day

Wishing you all a very sunny weekend.

Kate Porter and the Brindishe Manor team