

Brindishe Lee Newsletter Friday 14th May 2021

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Dear parents, carers, governors, staff and friends,

Thank you to everyone for continuing to be so careful and patient with the ongoing COVID safety measures we have in place at Brindishe Lee. The Government has announced some lifting of the restrictions from next week which will mean that we are all able to meet friends and family in larger groups and indoors. This is something we have all been very much looking forward to for a long time now and I am sure that everyone is starting to plan meetings as the weather brightens up.

The guidance for schools means that we do still need to keep to staggered start/finish times and are not yet able to meet indoors with groups of parents/carers. However, we are starting to plan some end of term events and assemblies outside in the coming weeks (weather permitting), we will let you know about how these will work as soon as we can.

Please see listed below our school newsletter as well as an array of posters providing information about fundraising, half-term camp as well as a family cycling library.

We hope you have a lovely weekend with your family and friends. Stay safe and well. Kind regards,

Ms Sebire & the Brindishe Lee Team.

International Nurses Day

This is a global celebration that acknowledges and celebrates the commitment and bravery of nurses around the world. It is celebrated on 12th May, the anniversary of Florence Nightingale's birth. We thought it was particularly important to celebrate the hard work of nurses and all NHS workers over the last year and would like to send our thanks to our local doctor's surgeries and hospitals to thank them for all they have done.

Year 5 Dance Project

We are delighted to inform you that Year 5 will once again have the opportunity to participate in Live Dance 2021, run by Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance https://www.trinitylaban.ac.uk However, this year due to the pandemic it will be in digital form.

Live Dance is a celebration of dance and is open to all Lewisham Schools. The schools choreograph and rehearse a group dance which is usually performed at the Catford Broadway Theatre, however, this year we will be submitting a film which Trinity Laban will edit to produce a Digital Dance Showcase Film, which we hope to share with you all very soon.

Pyjamarama Day - Friday 28th May 2021 - Reminder

On Friday 28th May, children can come to school dressed in their pyjamas (with outdoor shoes and a coat). Our Pyjamarama Day is all about getting children excited about reading and also to fundraise for our school. Children may wish to donate a £1.00 to school to help all children have access to stories and to reading.

Thank you for your support.

Wellbeing Pebble Project

This term, all classes have been busy working on a whole school pebble project. This is part of our Mental Health and Wellbeing Offer to restore a sense of belonging and community back to Brindishe Lee following two significant school closures. We hope to share the final piece of art work with you soon.







Online Safety Bulletin

Fortnite – What is it? What are the facts?

Fortnite is an online video game where players compete to be the last person standing in a post-apocalyptic world.

To play, the age recommendation is **12 and above**.

What should I know?

Communication: players can talk to each other via messaging or a headset and microphone. Children could speak to strangers and can be at risk of cyber-bullying.

In-app purchases: children can build up large bills on their adult's accounts by buying cosmetic items, like outfits for their character, and better-looking weapons ('skins').

Staying in control: It can be difficult for children to know when to stop and switch off. This can be because of the game's 'community' feel.

Heroes Stamp Design Competition

This week, in a virtual live assembly we invited the whole school to take part in the 'Heroes Stamp Design Competition' commissioned by The Royal Mail. For more than 50 years Royal Mail's Special Stamp programme has commemorated British history and achievement. Stamps have also been issued to honour the achievements of many British people. Often, the people who appear on stamps are already famous. They include scientists and explorers, writers, artists, musicians, athletes, and Prime Ministers.



Since the coronavirus pandemic began, there have been many people who have done great things. Many of them are not famous, but they have done extraordinary work. These are the people who have helped us all through a really difficult time. Some are frontline workers in healthcare, others look after elderly or vulnerable people. Millions of key workers have kept the country going when most of us were told to stay home for our own safety. There have been many people who volunteered to help people in their communities who needed help or support. We believe that what these people have done makes them heroes, so Royal Mail wants to honour them by producing a set of eight stamps.

The stamps will feature designs created by eight school-aged children. We are asking our children to think about who their hero or heroes are, and to then design a stamp in their honour. A special panel of judges will pick the winning designs. The final eight stamps will be sent to Her Majesty the Queen before they can be printed and issued. All children aged 4-14 from across the UK can enter the competition.

Staff at Brindishe Lee are providing dedicated time to all classes to enter this competition and we will submit design entries on their behalf. Please read the attached letter from The Royal Mail regarding the data that will be shared for each child and how this will be stored and used by Royal Mail. If you do not wish us to submit your child's entry and share their data, please inform Miss Matthews by emailing katiematthews@brindishelee.lewisham.sch.uk.

Click here for more information from our Prime Minister Boris Johnson and Simon Thompson, Chief Executive of Royal Mail. https://youtu.be/00jF401G374

Year 6 fundraising



Year 6 have been busy fundraising for their end of year celebrations. They have given up their own time to make handmade cards and jewellery. All items are available at the school gates. All funds go straight to Year 6's collection.

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Our school is delighted to be taking part in Royal Mail's Heroes Stamp Design Competition, honouring the heroes of the coronavirus pandemic.

Eight pupils from primary and secondary schools across the UK will become the designers of this stamp set, and one could be your child!

Each entry we send in will have the name of each child, plus their age and our school's name and postcode.

Before we submit entries to Royal Mail we need explain how Royal Mail will use these details.

Royal Mail will use these details of children who enter (i.e. name, age, school name and postcode) to run the competition, including to contact the winners and distribute prizes. Royal Mail will share this information with iChild Limited and The Education Company Limited, who are helping Royal Mail to run the competition.

Except in the case of the 120 children who reach the Regional Finalists stage, Royal Mail will delete all of this data by 30th September 2021.

As is usual in competitions, Royal Mail may, if requested, tell the Advertising Standards Authority of those winners' surnames and counties. Members of the public will also be able to ask Royal Mail for that information after 30th September 2021. If you object to your child's surname and county being available to members of the public, you should write to Heroes Stamp Design Competition, Royal Mail Group, 185 Farringdon Road, London EC1A 1AA. However, Royal Mail may still need to give this information to the Advertising Standards Authority on a confidential basis.

If your child enters the competition, Royal Mail has what data protection law calls a "legitimate interest" to use your child's details (i.e. name, age, school name and postcode) in the ways described above. However, your decision of what is best for your child takes priority, so if you have any concerns please let your child's teacher know not to include your child's design in the competition.

Please refer to Royal Mail's Privacy Notice at

https://www.royalmailgroup.com/en/site/privacy-notice/ for more information about how to exercise data protection rights, contact Royal Mail's Data Protection Officer or raise complaints with the Information Commissioner's Office.

If your child is one of the competition winners, Royal Mail will contact you separately, via the school, to discuss whether you would be willing to take part in publicity.

Thank you,

Heroes Stamp Design Competition

In association with iChild

FRIENDS@BRINDISHE LEE F@B BOOKS

F@B will be back soon with some exciting events for everyone! But for now if you'd like to support the school, we'd be delighted if you would buy a book to for your child's class library.

RECEPTION https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/XVUWEAS2YK5O?ref =wl_share

YEAR 1 https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ ls/30RI42VSPCIPP?ref =wl share

YEAR 2 https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ ls/1CB5UF262F0RR?ref =wl share

YEAR 3 https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ ls/3BMGSJCDO6D42?ref =wl_share

YEAR 4 https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ ls/1NFVUES9WP16M?ref =wl_share

YEAR 5 https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ ls/13EY0VVZVVVAR?ref =wl share

YEAR 6 https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ ls/1RI7JC1Q2DFU2?ref_=wl_share

If you prefer to buy elsewhere please visit https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk. And remember, we always welcome books from home that you no longer use!







Lewisham Family Cycling Library

Give your kids the ride of their lives by borrowing cycling items from Lewisham Family Cycling Library



Borrow an e-cargo bike with adapted child seats (they can carry any aged child, and dogs and shopping and picnics..), as well as other items such as trailers and child seats, to go on trips, do the school run and experience life on two wheels (or three wheels) in this area.

Show your kids you care about clean air

See our website for more info:
www.climateactionlewisham.org/
lewisham-family-cycling-library

- ✓ Zero carbon
- ✓ Good exercise
- ✓ Fun for children
- ✓ Clean air friendly
- ✓ Future focused



We bring our bike-tech to outdoor events in Lewisham and follow covid protocols. Check our website to find dates, or email us at cyclinglibrary@climateactionlewisham.org to enquire about borrowing, or to ask about an event. We also visit schools and nurseries.



HALF TERM ACTIVITY CAMPS



CHILDCARE VOUCHERS NOW ACCEPTED







