



Brindishe Lee Newsletter  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021  
Headteacher: Ms Maxine Sebire



Dear families, governors, staff and friends,

This week has been fabulous in school. Our children have thoroughly enjoyed the various exciting activities planned plus it has been wonderful to see active participation and team spirit during our Bubble Sports Event. Smiles have been plentiful and creativity has been everywhere!

We would like to say a huge thankyou to the F@B team as well as all the families who have kindly donated funds virtually in support of our Bubble Sports Event. All funds raised will go towards new sports equipment for the school. By the end of next week, you will be able to view on *Itslearning*, a selection of photographs from our Bubble Sports Event as well as other end of term activities.

Next week, the children will be taking part in a transition session where they will meet their new teacher. During the week, the children will also have time to reflect on the year gone by and will begin to think about their new and exciting chapter in September. Our Year 6's will also begin to embark on their last week of primary school life immersing themselves in the end of year events, a special time for all.

As a school, we are in the process of finalising operational plans for September. As soon as this is all confirmed, we will be in contact. In the meantime, please find attached exciting information regarding our new catering company from September 2021 - Radish.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend. Enjoy the sunshine and we will see you all next week for our final week at school before the summer holiday begins.

Kind regards,  
Ms Sebire and the Brindishe Lee Team.

#### PCR Testing

If you or your child are showing any symptoms of COVID-19, you must isolate as a family and book a PCR test on the following website: <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

#### **WHEN SHOULD I HAVE A PCR TEST?**

- **If you currently have symptoms** that may indicate COVID-19, this is the test you should have to diagnose the infection.
- **If a lateral flow test is positive.** The purpose of the PCR test is to confirm the diagnosis, since it is a more accurate test than the lateral flow test.

#### **WHEN SHOULD I HAVE A LATERAL FLOW TEST?**

- You should only have this test **if you don't have any symptoms** and have been invited to take one as part of an exercise to identify infected people without symptoms.

#### Annual Pupil

Your child's report will be given to you today, at the end of the school day. If your child walks home alone, your child will not be able to take their report, so please arrange to collect it in person.

#### Gifts for Staff

We have been asked by several parents if they are allowed to bring gifts for staff at the end of term. Although staff at school do not expect any gifts from children, parents/carers, those wishing to bring something in the last week of term are more than welcome to do so.

### Year 6 Production

A big thank you to Mr Mason for filming the Year 6 production. We can not wait to see the show!  
The rehearsal looked and sounded amazing – Well done Year 6 children and staff!

### Eid al-Adha

We would like to wish those who will be celebrating Eid al-Adha next week a lovely time with your friends and family.  
If you are planning for your child to be absent from school for these celebrations, please email [info@brindishlee.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:info@brindishlee.lewisham.sch.uk)

### Covid Reminders

Please take time to read the following information to ensure we keep ourselves, our school and our community as safe as we can....

#### Continuing to keep Brindishe Lee Safe and Our Children at School

We ask that all families support us in keeping the children, staff and community safe:

- Please wear a face covering/mask when near school premises, if possible
- Please try to cross to the far side of the road once you have collected your child, rather than walk in front of the gate where parents are standing and waiting to enter the school.
- Contact the school office via email ([info@brindishelee.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:info@brindishelee.lewisham.sch.uk)) or telephone 020 8318 4626.
- Please read our texts, emails and letters to keep up to date with new information

#### HANDS, FACE, SPACE

This message is still a key part of our life.

**HANDS:** We will, once again, be reminding the children of following good hand hygiene, by washing their hands regularly. Please encourage your children to do the same at home.

**FACE:** Our expectations remain in place. We still encourage face coverings as you enter the school grounds.

**SPACE:** Maintaining a distance of at least 1m between us where possible will help reduce risk for all.

#### Current rulings in place

- You can now meet up outside in larger groups, up to a limit of 30 people
- You can now meet indoors as a group of up to six people or two households
- Indoor hospitality can reopen
- Hotels and all holiday overnight accommodation can reopen
- You may also go on holiday or travel abroad, following government guidelines

#### Travelling

If you or any member of your household are travelling outside of the UK to either a **RED**, **AMBER** or **GREEN** country, you must inform the school ([info@brindishelee.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:info@brindishelee.lewisham.sch.uk)) so we can ensure that you and your family are clear about the procedures and restrictions that may need to be followed. We will ask you to let us know the following information:

- Where you or your household member are going
- The return date to the UK
- Who is in your household

#### Covid Symptoms

If you, your child or a member of your household becomes ill with Covid-19 symptoms or receives a positive test result for COVID-19, please email [info@brindishelee.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:info@brindishelee.lewisham.sch.uk) immediately providing the person/child's name, class, date, and the type and date of test. Your whole household must self-isolate for 10 days.

**Thank you for your support with this matter to ensure everyone is kept safe and well.**

### Summer Activity Camp at Brindishe Lee

Sportacus will be running an activity camp for four weeks over the summer holiday at Brindishe Lee. Please look at the flyer attached or contact [harry@sportacus.co.uk](mailto:harry@sportacus.co.uk)

### FSM Vouchers over the School Holiday

Lewisham have announced that all children in receipt of Free School Meals will received a £90 voucher per child to cover the summer term. This does not include Universal Free School Meals for those children in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2.

### Important Dates

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** - End of Term      **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September** - INSET Day      **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September** - Start of Term 1

