### **Brindishe Green School**

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Dear parents, carers, staff, governors and friends.

#### This week at Brindishe Green

On Wednesday Brindishe Green staff joined 13 other local schools at Blackheath Halls for a special training evening - Market Place. It's an opportunity to share different approaches and examples of learning that work well for children. Brindishe Schools presented 14 different ideas, including Yoga and Mindfulness, the Daily Mile, finger gym to build children's fine motor skills and fun ways to build children's speed and knowledge in mental maths. It was a very useful and informative evening and a great opportunity for our 3 schools to share outstanding learning and ideas with our friends and colleagues.

The Parent Portal continues to be open for midterm reviews so please do make sure you have booked your slot. The link to Arbor and the parent portal is:

https://brindishe-green.uk.arbor.sc/?/homeui/index. Please remember that the deadline for booking is Sunday February 4th.

## Next week at Brindishe Green

5<sup>th</sup> Feb - Year 3 Chinese drama workshop 5<sup>th</sup> Feb - Workshop for year 5 'When cells misbehave'.

 $5^{\text{th}}$  Feb (and  $7^{\text{th}}$  Feb) - Year 1 to Brockwell Community Greenhouses

6<sup>th</sup> Feb - Year 5 and 6 Football tournament 6<sup>th</sup> Feb - Nursery visit to Manor House Library 6<sup>th</sup> Feb (and 7<sup>th</sup> Feb) - Year 4 to Hall Place

#### Attendance at Brindishe Green

Well done to Mangrove, Rowan, Cherry and Chestnut 1 who had the best attendance and punctuality this week!

## Diary Dates

4<sup>th</sup> Feb - Parent portal closes

5<sup>th</sup> Feb - 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb - Mid Term Reviews

7<sup>th</sup> Feb - Full Governing Body Meeting at BM

9<sup>th</sup> Feb - Break for half term

19th Feb - Children return to school

22<sup>nd</sup> Feb - Book Fair arrives for 1 week

15<sup>th</sup> March - Full Governing Body Meeting at BM

19th March - Challenge Partner Review at BG

26<sup>th</sup> March - Musician's Concert

29th March - End of Spring Term

16th April - Children return to school

# Emergency contact information

Occasionally we may have to contact a child's parent/carer/emergency contact during the school day, when they are at an after school club or if they have not been collected on time. It is very important that we have an up to date telephone number for at least 3 people that we can contact at different times of the day. This weekend, please check on Parent Portal (Arbor) that we have current telephone numbers for everyone on your child's emergency contact list.

## Online Safety

A recent research study on how children are using social networking and the impact it has on them by the children's commissioner, is available here.

https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/Childrens-Commissioner-for-England-Life-in-Likes-3.pdf
Online safety is an important aspect of how children keep themselves safe and is an integral part of our School Community Development Plan for the next three years. We are keen to work with our community to support children to understand and make informed decisions about how they interact and respond online.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Best wishes, Sarah Gorbutt Headteacher

Executive Head - Vicki Paterson DBE

Headteacher - Sarah Gorbutt