



Brindishe Lee Newsletter

Friday 1st April 2022

Headteacher: Ms Maxine Sebire

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This term has now come to an end and what a day of weather to finish in: sun, showers and even snow – fingers crossed we see the temperatures rise slightly as we can turn the alarm clocks off and pause the school run for two weeks. On behalf of the Governing body, I want to thank the staff and children for their hard work. At times, we have had been hanging on by a thread, but the Brindishe Team always pull together and for that we are very grateful.

Over the course of the past few months, we have had a number of visitors come to the school, allowing us to celebrate our fantastic children and the amazing learning that is going on in the classroom and around the school. We have been thrilled by the comments they have made and look forward to sharing them with you next term. We have also spent time looking over the feedback you gave us in the survey. Your views are very important to us and again, we will be providing you with the feedback, actions and next steps.

As Governors, we have also been able to close the zoom down and hold our meetings back in school. Each Governor has visited the school, focusing on key school priorities and having the chance to meet and talk to both the staff and children across the Brindishe Federation.

Although we are still seeing the effects of the pandemic, we are very much looking at ways to open our schools up further for all parents and carers next term. We want to ensure you have the opportunity to share your child's learning, visit the classrooms, see the performances, attend workshops and not limit it to a 'screen'.

We wish you all a restful break and those celebrating Easter or Ramadan, we hope you find the time to be together.

We also look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday 19th April 2022, ready for the summer term.

Rachel Waite and Liz Murphy

Exec Head Chair of Governors

Dear families, governors, staff and friends,

It has been a productive week at school even with the gale force winds followed by hail, rain and sunshine this week. The children have worked really hard this week and have enjoyed their learning, this was highlighted during today's Praise Assembly.

We hope you all have a lovely spring break! Thank you for all your support and kind words this term, it is very much appreciated. Enjoy the holiday and we will see you all on Tuesday 19th April.

Kind regards,

Ms Sebire & the Brindishe Lee Team.

Wellbeing Support:

Helping your child manage their health and wellbeing is a top priority for many, which is why so many apps exist for this. Internetmatters.org have found some of the best and most popular wellbeing and mindfulness apps for you and your family.

From recognising emotions to practising mediation techniques, these apps offer a range of ways to manage wellbeing.

Whilst these apps can be useful, they are not a replacement for seeking professional medical advice.

Wellbeing link:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/wellbeing-apps-guide-for-kids/#general-wellbeing-apps-kids>

Girls Football - We are the champions!

Brindishe Lee attended a KS2 girl's football tournament at St Winifred's earlier this week and showed fantastic football skills and came away from the tournament as the winners! Congratulations to the girls in the football team and a huge thank you to George who led the training sessions on Friday mornings for the past 7 weeks. Thank you to all the parents who attended the tournament and cheered all the teams on!

We can't wait for the next tournament!

Many thanks, Miss Matthews & Miss Lovell



Trinity Laban Message - Children's Dance Holiday Programme April 2022

Join us from 11 – 14 April for a fun-filled 4 days of dancing, exploring and creating at Trinity Laban. Young dancers, aged 6 – 12 years, will develop technical skills, musicality, and creativity through tasks, challenges and sequences, exploring other areas such as Costume, Dance Science and much more!

Can't attend the full four days? No problem! Children also have the option to attend days 1, 2 and/or 3&4. When booking, select the date(s) your child will attend.

Concession rate is available for the full 4-day programme, for children in receipt of **Free School Meals**. Proof of status is required on arrival at Holiday Programme prior to admission. Places are limited.

To book and for more info, please visit: <https://www.trinitylaban.ac.uk/take-part/summer-schools/childrens-holiday-programme/>

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Attendance

'Attend today...and achieve tomorrow!'

As we all know, every child has the right to an education (Article 28). In England, children are expected to attend 190 days of school year, with the exception of when they are too sick to come to school or isolating due to Covid19. This means that there are 175 other days in the year to book holidays, trips away and visits to see family members.

Every year, we receive a number of requests for children to be absent from school during term time. Schools cannot authorise an absence for a holiday/visit and we will only grant an authorised absence for exceptional circumstances.

The process for applying for a leave of absence is as follows:

1. A **'Request for a Leave of Absence'** form is completed by the parent/carer (see the school website or email the office)
2. The request will be passed to the Headteacher and discussed with the school's Federation Attendance, Safeguarding and Welfare Officer
3. The school decides if it will authorise the absence.

Parents/carers should note that flights (etc.) should not be booked before a leave of absence is authorised. Every day of school missed by a pupil reduces their attendance by 0.5%, meaning that a child with 95% attendance has missed ten whole days of school. If a pupil is persistently absent (85% attendance), they have missed six weeks, or half a term, of schooling.

Days Absent at End of Year	Absence Percentage	Attendance Percentage at End of Year
1	0.5%	99.5%
5	2.5%	97.5%
10	5%	95%
20	10%	90%
30	15%	85%

Important Dates

- Monday 4th April - Sportacus Easter Camp (Refer to the attached poster)
- Tuesday 19th April – Summer Term - Children return to school
- Tuesday 26th April, 6pm - Lewisham tech workshop for parents, session 1
- Tuesday 3rd May, 6pm - Lewisham tech workshop for parents, session 2

**More dates to follow shortly re. visitors, events and trips*

MONDAY 4TH - THURSDAY 14TH APRIL 2022



**EASTER
ACTIVITY CAMPS**



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EASTER HALF TERM CAMPS

JOIN THE SPORTACUS TEAM FOR ANOTHER EXCITING PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES THIS EASTER HALF TERM:

MULTISPORTS (BOTH LOCATIONS)
FOOTBALL (DARRICK WOOD ONLY)
DANCE (AT BOTH LOCATIONS ON THURS & FRI)

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FULL WEEK 2 BOOKING	£75.50
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**MON 4TH
THUR 14TH APR**

LOCATIONS

DARRICK WOOD JR SCHOOL, LOVIBONDS AVE, ORPINGTON, KENT BR6 8ER

BRINDISHE LEE SCHOOL, WANTAGE ROAD, LONDON SE12 8NA

9:30-3:30 EVERY DAY FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 4-12

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