

Friday 20 July 2018

Dear families, staff, governors and friends

This year at Brindishe Lee ...

What an exciting year we have had at Brindishe Lee. The children have learned about the Greeks, the Romans, the Egyptians, how to grow food from seed, celebrated festivals from all over the world and understood how to keep themselves safe in the real and virtual worlds. They have developed new skills in all areas of the curriculum, reflected on themselves as learners and led their own learning. Very well done to all Brindishe children.

Thank you to all parents / carers for the support you have given this year and a big thank you to those of you who have given your time to accompany visits and to volunteering in school.

End of Year reports

You should have received your child's end of year report by now. If you haven't got it yet, please pop in to the office to collect it from there. Thank you to all parents / carers who have returned the feedback sheets at the end of the report, please remember to return yours if you haven't already. Thank you.

The Summer Reading Challenge 2018 Mischievous Makers

Don't forget to visit Manor House Gardens and the library this holiday to try this year's Lewisham Libraries' Summer Reading Challenge ... 'Mischievous Makers!' It is totally free and, to get started, all your child has to do is sign up at their local library. Please contact libraries@lewisham.gov.uk for more information



Farewell to Year 6

We say goodbye to our Year 6 children today. They have worked so incredibly hard this year and we are very proud of all they have achieved – they should be proud of themselves too. We wish them

all the very best of luck for their next step to Secondary School and look forward to hearing news of how they grow ... Thank you to all Year 6 families for your support for your children and the school over the last seven years too.

Dates for your diary ...

F@B holiday carnival workshops for parents

Friday 10 August 2pm
Friday 31 August 2pm

All families welcome to join the F@B team in **Manor House Gardens** for Carnival fun in the sun!

NEXT TERM

03/04 Sept STAFF INSET DAYS
05 Sept Children in, **NEW School Year**

Attendance this week

Best attendance this week ...

Reception, Sycamore 98.77%
Year 5 97.41%

Well done to both these classes.

Whole school attendance this year ... **96.3%**.

And finally ...

As you have read over the last few weeks, we say farewell to a number of our staff team this term and we thank them all for their energy and dedication to Brindishe Lee and wish them every success in their new ventures.

We will welcome Mrs Verity Ferrant in September as she takes the role of Inclusion Lead.

We are also saying goodbye to our Chair of Governors, Spyros Elia, and our Executive Headteacher, Dame Vicki Paterson who, together, have successfully led Brindishe Lee School, and the Federation of Brindishe Schools, over the last 28 years. We thank them both for their guidance and for the wisdom and knowledge they have poured in to building the Federation to the outstanding place of learning that it is today.

My very warmest wishes for you all – families, staff, governors and friends - to enjoy a happy and relaxed holiday together. I hope the sun keeps shining and look forward to seeing you all in September.



Lewisham Swimming: Free top-up school swimming lessons

In Partnership between Saxon Crown and Fusion Lifestyle free school top-up swimming sessions are available for students at Lewisham primary schools. The sessions are provided to help swimmers improve and achieve the National Curriculum standard in swimming. The National Curriculum aims for children to be able to swim 25 metres and to tread water for 30 seconds.

The sessions are for Lewisham Primary School Pupils in Year 3 and above.

The sessions will be running at Glass Mill Leisure Centre during the Summer Holidays on the following weeks
Mon 23/7 -Fri 27/7, Mon 30/7 -Fri 3/7, Mon 6/8 -Fri 10/8, Mon 13/8 -Fri 17/8, Mon 20/8 -Fri 24/8, Tue 28/8 -Fri 31/8

To register interest please email: Lewishamswimming@gmail.com

Note: You can only book via this email, not through the centre directly.

There are 4 sessions:

1. 9.00 – 9.45 a.m. Confident – can swim lengths (25m) comfortably using all strokes and in deep water.
2. 9.45 – 10.30 a.m. Improver – can swim on their front and back for 10m +
3. 10.30 – 11.15 a.m. Beginner – is comfortable in water but cannot swim on both front and back unaided.
4. 11.15 – 12.00 a.m. Non-Swimmer – no or limited previous swimming experience.

After you apply you will be assigned a time slot. The sessions times are based on pupil ability, so you must attend the session you are allocated. This will be the same time slot daily for each session. Please be aware that if your child is not suitable for a level you have requested they may lose their space. You can have one week if there is space in a following week you may be able to attend multiple weeks.

Please include the following:

- The week you wish to attend.
- A contact number,
- Your child's name,
- School attending,
- Year group
- Stage level of swimmer – ASA stages 1 – 7 or equivalent (if known).
- Any medical information or special requirements. If there are none, please state no requirements.

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