

Newsletter

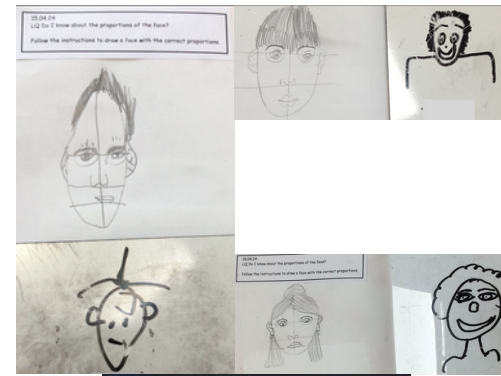
Friday 19th April 2024



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What has been happening this week?

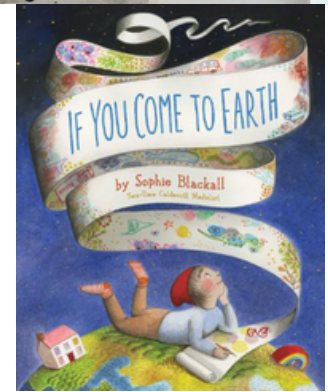
Year 4 showed great learning in their portrait drawing lesson. Look at the progress they made after being taught some techniques!



Reception have been working on describing 'extraordinary' things and made a scary, hairy, monster, jelly, silly, pink, stripy, green, spotty, jingly, jingly-jangly, bowie, shiny, smelly, furry, spiky beanstalk!

Year 5 have settled in to their new classroom, enjoying the extra space they have.

Year 6 have produced some amazing writing about their fictional creatures. They have linked their work to their science learning, considering habitat and adaptations. They used AI to generate images from their descriptions.

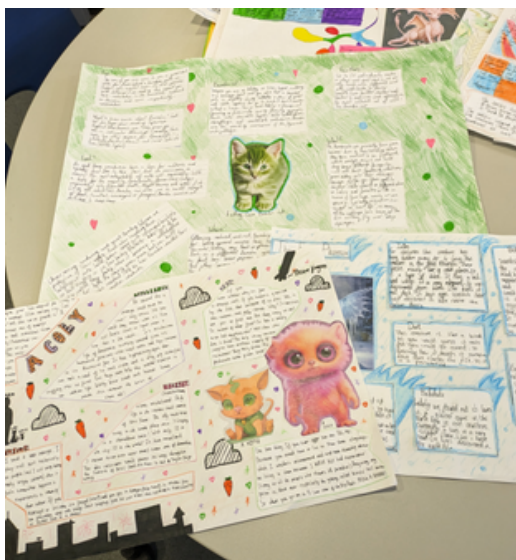


Year 1 have been writing descriptions of all sorts of things for aliens, in response to their book 'If You Come to Earth'.



Year 2 are excited to start their new learning about Kampong Ayer. They will find out all about the geography of the area and the animals that live there.

Year 3 have brought in some fantastic home learning to begin their History topic about Ancient Egypt.



What is happening next week?

The 'World is Our Classroom' for Reception and Year 5 who are off to the National Portrait gallery next week. Also Year 1 have an exciting visit to The Royal Observatory to enrich their learning about space exploration. At school, Year 6 will have a workshop with the animal conservation charity Born Free.

There are **parent meetings** after school on Tuesday for **Year 6** about SATs and **Year 5** about School Journey. Come into the classrooms after pick up. Powerpoints will be shared via Weduc if you cannot come. The teachers will give information, share resources and you will be able to have your questions answered about these things.

Assemblies next week will cover St Georges Day and the history of the NHS. We will make links to the values and UN Article for children- Life survival and development.

Readathon



Well done everyone for a great Easter Readathon! It seems like a lot of you made the best of the bad weather by getting stuck into a good book! Please send in your sponsor money by Monday so we can give you the grand total. We are excited to purchase some non fiction books to update our very old collection!



Important information from the office

Clubs: Please let Vikki know if your child will not be using their club space and she will allocate it to the next person on the waitlist. Please email if your child can walk home alone from their club.

Local Trips Permissions: Please return your permission form to the office as soon as possible. We have lots of local trips coming up and once this form is returned, you won't need to fill in any more for a local trip! Please just ask Vikki if you have lost your form and she will give you another one.

Year 1 Observatory and Reception/Year 5 Portrait Gallery Trips: Please sign permissions/ make payment on Weduc as soon as possible.

Music Payments: Please make your music payments- so far only two payments have been made!!!!

New Menu: Have a look at the new Radish lunch menu sent via Weduc. Remember you can choose each day if your child has a school or a packed lunch, so save yourself time and money on those days there's something they like if your child brings packed lunch.

REMINDER- CLUBS

School clubs and music lessons start next week.

F@B

For those signed up to the marathon that want to raise some money for F@B please encourage people to donate at

Mini Marathon

Good luck to all those running!

Please also book your babysitters for 3rd May for the F@B quiz. Tickets will be available soon.



Request from Reception

We need wellies! If you have any at home you no longer need, please can Reception have them for their muddy fun?



Attendance

Well done Year 6 Magnolia! Keep up the good work with your punctuality!

Class	Attended	Mins Late
Reception	96.67%	165
Year 1	97.41%	47
Year 2	95.93%	86
Year 3	96.67%	12
Year 4	96.17%	210
Year 5	92.59%	23
Year 6 Magnolia	93.59%	6
Year 6 Sycamore	96.44%	50

Important Key Dates- Summer 1

April 2024		May 2024	
Monday 15 th April	Start of Summer Term	Mon 6 th May	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 23 rd April	School Journey Meeting Y5- after school SATs meeting Year 6- after school	WB Mon 13 th May	Year 6 SATS test
		Throughout May	Year 2 assessment checks
		Thurs 23 rd May	3.45pm- 5.45pm- Art exhibition
		Mon 27 th – Fri 31 st May	Half term



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Welcome
back



Welcome Back

Welcome back to the third and final term of 2023/2024 - Summer Term. This term is the longest but always the most enjoyable for children, staff and parents/carers. Once our children in Year 1, Year 4 and Year 6 have completed their statutory testing, we will begin to count down to summer. Look out for many events over the next term inviting you into school to share and celebrate your children and their learning - art exhibitions, sports days, Year 6 festivals and much more. We look forward to seeing you all!

Playground Equipment

Please may we remind all parents/carers that any item of equipment in any Brindishe School playground is strictly for use by Brindishe school children during the school day only - breaktimes and lunchtimes when they are supervised. Younger children (below school age) who may drop off or collect their siblings are not permitted to climb or play on any equipment. Each school has robust risk assessments in place that allows our school children to play safely. These do not extend to children not attending school. Thank you for your understanding and support.



Weekly Online Safety Bulletin

At what age can my child start using social networks?

Internet Matters have produced this fantastic resource highlighting the minimum age limits for a variety of social media platforms as well as outlining the risks of being underage on social media.

You can find out more here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/what-age-can-my-child-start-social-networking/>



Right Respecting Article Of The Week

Article 6 (life survival and development)

Every child has the right to life. Governments must do all they can to ensure that children survive and develop to their full potential.

Article 24 (health and health services)

Every child has the right to the best possible health. Governments must provide good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food, and a clean environment and education on health and well-being so that children can stay healthy. Richer countries must help poorer countries achieve this.

Earth Day

Earth Day takes place every year on April 22 to show support for the protection of the environment and our planet. Since 1970, Earth Day has brought together people, governments and companies from around the world, supporting them to do something positive for the environment. It promotes the fact that 'change starts with action' and we can all take action and encourage others to take action that positively impacts on the world around us.

What do you, your school and your family do that helps the environment and the planet?

- Reduce, reuse, recycle.
- Litter picking.
- Buy local to reduce food miles.
- Eat less meat and dairy produce.
- Turn off lights, TV etc when not in use.
- Walk to school.
- Donate clothes and toys that are still in good condition.
- Use a 'bag for life'.
- Don't waste water.
- Use a reusable water bottle.
- Plant trees in the school grounds.
- Help wildlife.
- Write to decision makers such as MPs or companies to ask them to protect the environment.



Watch this [short film about sustainability](#) told in the form of a fairy tale. Celebrate all the great things you are already doing at home to protect and restore the earth. What more you could do?



Governing Body

If you would like to attend a Brindishe Federation Governing Body meeting, please email our Chair of Governors, Liz Murphy - lmurphy@brindisheschools.org. Our fifth meeting of this academic year is on **Wednesday 22nd May at 6pm** at Brindishe Lee School.

Key Federation Dates

- Spring Bank Holiday - **Monday 6th May**
- Year 6 SATS week - **Monday 13th May to Thursday 16th May**
- May Half Term - **Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May**
- INSET Day - schools closed to all children - **Monday 1st July** -
- End of Term - **Thursday 25th July 2024**