Newsletter

Friday 17th May 2024



What has been happening this week?

Well done to Year 6 for completing SATs week with determination and good humour. We are all incredibly proud of you.

We are keeping the rest of our activities this week under wraps as we don't want to spoil the surprises before the exhibition next week! We have been very busy!

What is happening next week?

We cannot believe that next week is the last week of the half term and we have a big treat for you. We have our **Art Exhibition on Thursday between 3.45pm and 5.45pm**. Every child has an exhibit and you'll get an insight into the creative journey they have taken. Refreshments will be available in the form of tapas plates and fruit punch, thanks to our super F@B team. Check WEDUC for more details about timings.

Radish will be leading an assembly on Healthy Eating and we will also cover Fairtrade Fortnight.



Important information from the office

WEDUC: Please check Weduc for all trips and sports day permissions and payments. Vikki will help you with any problems

Art Exhibition Tickets: Come and collect your ticket from the office! No tickets needed after 5pm

School Journey: Payments can now be made for the Year 6 School Journey for the children currently in Year 5, happening in November.



Our next event will be alongside the art exhibition on 23rd May. F@B will be providing refreshments including tapas plates and fruit punch. Money raised by you via F@B events has also enabled us to fund the framing for the art exhibition that can be used as a permanent feature for future artwork on display. Thank you!

HOLD THE DATE

Brindishe Lee Summer Fair will be held on Saturday 13th July. Expect games, raffles, refreshments and lots of summer fun!

Attendance

Well done year 6 and Year 3!

Class	Attended	Mins Late
Reception	97.78%	175
Year 1	97.04%	45
Year 2	96.67%	140
Year 3	95.79%	0
Year 4	97.32%	94
Year 5	90.74%	23
Year 6 Magnolia	96.58%	0
Year 6 Sycamore	97.33%	0

Important Key Dates- Summer 1/2

May 2024		June 2024	
Mon 6 th May	Bank Holiday	WB Mon 3 rd June	Year 4 Multiplication testing
WB Mon 13th May	Year 6 SATS test	WB Mon 10 th June	Phonics Screening Year 1
Thurs 23rd May	3.45pm- 5.45pm- Art exhibition	Thurs 6 th June	Sports Day -Year 4/ 5 / 6 - Ladywell Arena- times TBC
Mon 27th – Fri 31st May	Half term	Friday 7th June	Sports Day- Rec, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 – Manor House Gardens- times TBC
		WB 17th June and 24th June	Year 5 swimming



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Holiday Vouchers

Half Term Holiday Vouchers



We can now confirm that London Borough of Lewisham will use a further allocation of the 'Household Support Fund' to support families with FSM eligible children by providing vouchers for the half term. The available funding means Lewisham can assist these families at a rate of £15 per eligible child.

If you are eligible for the voucher, look out for further communication from your school and your £15 half term voucher.

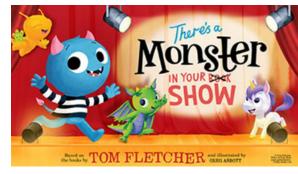
What's on at Blackheath Halls?

An events, arts and community venue in the heart of South East London, sitting at the top of Blackheath Village, 5 minutes walk from the nearest train station, Blackheath Halls has lots to offer this summer - starting with half term.

'There's a Monster in your book SHOW' by Tom Fletcher can be seen this half term on Saturday 25th and

Sunday 26th May - https://www.blackheathhalls.com/whats-on/





Weekly Online Safety Bulletin When should a child

get their own phone?

If you are thinking about giving your child their own phone, then you might find the latest article from the Education Team at Childnet useful:



https://saferinternet.org.uk/blog/experts-answerwhen-should-my-child-get-their-first-phone

Right Respecting Article Of The Week World Bee Day - 20th May

Article 29 - I have the right to an education which develops my personality, respect for others' rights and the environment.

Why a World Bee Day?

By observing World Bee Day each year, we can raise awareness on the essential role bees and other pollinators play in keeping people and the planet healthy, and on the many challenges they face today. We have been celebrating this day since 2018, thanks to the efforts of the Government of Slovenia that led the UN General Assembly to declare 20 May as **World Bee Day.**

The date for this observance was chosen as it was the day Anton Janša, a pioneer of modern apiculture, was born. Janša came from a family of beekeepers in Slovenia, where beekeeping is an important agricultural activity with a long-standing tradition.

Today bees, pollinators, and many other insects are declining in abundance. This day provides an opportunity for all of us – whether we work for governments, organizations or civil society or are concerned citizens – to promote actions that will protect and enhance pollinators and their habitats, improve their abundance and diversity, and support the sustainable development of beekeeping.

Find out more about how you can promote #WorldBeeDay by reading this Get involved guide.

The Food and Agriculture website has lots of information about World Bee Day and how you can join the #WorldBeeDay campaign. https://www.fao.org/world-bee-day/en/

You don't have to be a beekeeper to protect bees and other pollinators.







Governing Body

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

Key Federation Dates

- 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

Social tariffs: Cheaper broadband and phone packages

Social Tariffs are cheaper broadband and phone packages for people claiming Universal Credit, Pension Credit and some other benefits. Some providers call them 'essential' or 'basic' broadband. They're delivered in the same way as normal packages, just at a lower price. Amid rising living costs, Ofcom is encouraging companies to offer social tariffs to help customers on low incomes.

Here is a <u>link</u> to help you access social tariffs.

How a social tariff could help you

- ✓ It's available to those on a variety of benefits. If you or someone in your household claims Universal Credit, you could switch to any of the tariffs available.
- ✓ It's cheaper than a regular package. Current prices range from £10 to £23.
- ✓ Fast, unlimited broadband. Most tariffs offer superfast broadband at speeds over 30 Mbit/s fast enough for you to keep in touch with friends and family, stream HD films or shop online.
- ✓ You'll pay next-to-nothing to get set up. If you do have to pay any setup costs, these should only be small. Your provider should tell you before you sign up.
- ✓ It could cost nothing to switch. If your provider offers a social tariff, you can switch to it at any time, free of charge.
- ✓ The price won't go up mid-contract. You won't pay any more than what you agree at the start of the contract.
- ✓ It costs nothing to leave. You won't pay a fee to leave the tariff before the end of your contract.