



Brindishe
Manor

Newsletter

Friday 6th January 2026

What has been happening this week?

On Monday, the children learnt about National Storytelling Week and we discussed how they could share what they have been reading with others around the school. We watched an extract from Tom's Midnight Garden and I shared the BBC Bitesize website with the children, which has a whole host of resources and ideas for them to explore.



Number Day

Today, we have celebrated Number Day with lots of fun activities for the children across the school. There were lots of fantastic outfits, props and hats across the school and the children have enjoyed lots of problem-solving and maths moments throughout the day. We held a number photo booth for the children to take photos, they participated in playing lots of games and activities in classes and welcomed lots of our parents and carers who work with numbers in their jobs, to come and speak to the children. We had so many offers that lots of our classes had two visitors! A huge thank you to everyone who came to support today! The children had lots of fun!

SEND at Brindishe Manor

As you will remember, our Inclusion Lead left us at Christmas to join a school closer to her home. Since then, we have been continuing to receive support from Verity Farrant, SENCO and Inclusion Lead at Brindishe Lee. Verity is currently working with us on Tuesdays and Thursdays.



We thought it would be helpful to outline some of the questions you may have about how to speak to someone in the school about your child and SEND.

How do I speak to someone about my child and SEN needs?

In the first instance, you need to speak to the class teacher about your concerns. You can email the school office at info-BM@brindisheschools.org with your child's class and the information you wish to discuss. This will then be discussed by the class teacher and SENCO.

How long will it take for the SENCO to get back to me?

Emails will be replied to within 10 days.

The SENCO, SLT or a class teacher will return your email or call you, depending on your questions. They will be able to tell you what is currently in place to support your child and provide strategies to support at home.

What is the process if I would like my child referred for an assessment? Speak to the class teacher to see if the difficulties are shared in school. The SENCO will then contact you to explain the process.

If I think my child is dyslexic, what should I do?

In the first instance, speak to your child's class teacher about your concerns. We use lots of adaptations in school to support pupils with dyslexia.

Dyslexia screenings take place from after a child turns 8. The wait time for a dyslexia screening assessment is at least 2 terms and is managed on a needs basis.

How long do I need to wait for assessments to be completed?

Assessment paperwork takes a minimum of three weeks to be completed, depending on what the assessment is for. Assessments usually involve input from class teachers, the SENCO and the SLT. If your child is referred for ADHD or ASD assessment, or to CAMHS, the wait times vary but can be up to 3 years currently. The SENCO will be able to provide you with more information at the time of your child's referral.

How can I support my child whilst I am waiting for an assessment?

We want all children to be waiting well with the support they need.

Teachers and SLT are always here and happy to help and to provide you with strategies that we use in school and how you can use these to support your child at home.

Resources to support children in the classroom...

We use a wide range of resources in school to support children's needs. This could be by using additional adults in the classroom, running an intervention group for a period of time, or the use of sensory circuits to support transitions. We have small space rooms (The Pod and The Nest), a host of physical resources inside the classroom and create adaptations to our learning. Your class teacher will be able to explain about the adaptations that are in place to support your child.

Should I send my child to school with resources to support them in the classroom?

Please do not send your child into school with things from home. As the professionals in school, we have access to lots of supporting resources and will allocate children what we feel they need for the day. We can put in place what we see is needed and at what time of the day.

SEND Surgeries: Verity Farrant has sent out details on Weduc for online SEND surgeries next week. Verity will run SEND surgeries every half term online for parents. Please look out for these on WEDUC.

ECO SHOP - a message from Year 6

Dear parents and carers,

On the 11th of February, Eco Shop will be running a stall outside of the Year 3 classroom, where we will be selling a variety of soap bars, shampoo, conditioner, and many other products, each with their own unique scent and texture. Please remember to bring your empty bottles for a refill. We will be introducing limited-edition Valentine bundles for you and your loved ones. We hope to see you there!

Eco shop price list

PRICE LIST	PER 500ML
Body wash	£3.50
Hair shampoo	£3.50
Hair conditioner -	£3.50
Hand soap	£3.00
Fabric conditioner -	£2.25
Laundry detergent -	£2.75
WASHING UP LIQUID -	£2.25
Shampoo bars -	£5.00
Soap bars -	£3
Bundle of shampoo conditioner and body wash	£3.00



Key dates for the Spring Term

Monday 9th February

DT week

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Mental Health week

16th - 20th February

HALF TERM WEEK NO SCHOOL

Monday 23rd February

Young Voices Concert for Choir Y4-6

23rd Feb - 6th March

Year 4 swimming at Glassmill Leisure Centre

Tuesday 24th February

Open classroom at 3:30pm

Tuesday 24th February

Open Day for perspective Nursery children 4pm

Thursday 5th March

World Book Day

11th - 13th March

Year 4 residential to Juniper Hall

Monday 16th March

Neurodiversity week

Overall school attendance this week:	95.%	
Top 5 classes with attendance over 95%:	Kusama	100%
	Goldsworthy	99%
	Attenborough	98%
	Thunberg	98%
	Adeola	98%
A huge well done to Kusama 100% attendance this week		
Top classes with all children on time	Thunberg, Rashford, Goldsworthy Huge well done to them all 😊	



Premier Education Performing Arts Holiday Camp

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YOUR NEXT HOLIDAY CLUB...

Location: Brindishe Manor School, SE13 5LS

Dates: Mon 16th Feb -Thu 19th Feb 2026

Ages: 4-14 years

Price: From £35.99 per day

PLEASE BRING

- A packed lunch
- Plenty of water
- Suitable clothing
- Loads of energy!

Unleash Your Creativity this Half-Term at our Performing Arts Camp!
 Our camp is perfect for all ages, offering drama, dance, and music activities. Each day is packed with exciting workshops – from acting and singing to dance routines and mini performances. Every day brings a new creative challenge, a chance to shine on stage!

For more details about the programme, please contact Ebony at:
ecinton-evans@premier-education.com

TIME	MONDAY 16 TH FEB	TUESDAY 17 TH FEB	WEDNESDAY 18 TH FEB	THURSDAY 19 TH FEB
	CAMP WELCOME + ICEBREAKER • TABLE TOP GAMES (8:30-9:30AM)			
SESSION 1	DRAMA - LION KING	RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS	DRAMA - ALADDIN	OLIVE! OLIVE!
	BREAK (10:30-10:50AM)			
SESSION 2	AFRICAN DANCE & DRUMS WORKSHOP	ACRO DANCE CHEERLEADING	BOLLYWOOD + KATHAK DANCE WORKSHOP	GYMNASTICS
	LUNCH (12-1PM) + PERFORMANCES (1-1:30PM)			
SESSION 3	SAFARI CANVAS PAINTING ARTS & CRAFTS	MEXICAN TACO PARTY	DIWALI LANTERNS ARTS & CRAFTS	MAKE YOUR OWN BUBBLE TEA
	SNACK (2:30-3PM)			
SESSION 4	AFRICAN SAFARI HUT CUPCAKE	CREATE YOUR OWN MOSIAC TILE COASTER	MAKE YOUR OWN FRUIT KEBAB	DANCE & SONG
	CAMP WRAP UP + TABLE TOP GAMES (5-5:30PM)			

*The timetable shown is an example and may be adjusted. A range of sports alternatives will also be available throughout the day