

Newsletter

Friday 23rd January 2026

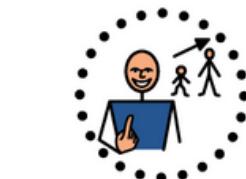
What has been happening this week?

This week some of our Year 6 writers went to a workshop at Brindishe Manor. They were privileged to be joined by author Anne Fine (who has won The Carnegie Medal) who spoke to them about writing and gave them some fabulous tips.

Sparrow class went to the Fire Station in Ladywell.

Mr Ingram led 2 exciting science assemblies and spoke to the Year 1 children, where he introduced our science competition and talked about Science Week, which will take place in March. Please check out the letter on Weduc for more information.

On Wednesday, we were delighted to be able to send 30 Year 6 children to the Old Bailey. They took part in a special workshop led by 'No Knives Better Lives' (NLBL), an initiative to educate young people on the dangers of carrying knives. The programme emphasises empowerment, informed decision-making, and long-term support. The goal is to prevent children from being groomed into gangs by presenting them with real alternatives and a vision of a future filled with opportunity, purpose, and achievement.



36 I have the right to be kept safe from things that could harm my development



Young Artists' Summer Show

We have registered Brindishe Green for the Royal Academy of Arts, Young Artists' Summer Show.

If your child produces a piece of art for the competition at home, you can upload it on to the website. It can be a painting, sculpture, photograph, installation, video, drawing, or a combination. There is no theme. Submission date closes on 4th March 2026 at 5pm.

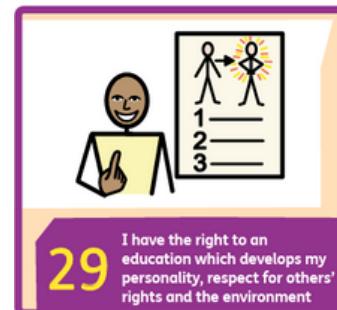
[Click here](#) for more information, including guidance on what and how to submit.



Brindishe Green

What is happening next week?

Next week, Year 4 will visit The Hither Green Baptist Church as part of their RE learning. Robin and Wren classes will visit the Fire Station.



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

Musician of the Month

This week we have introduced a new whole school celebration - Musician of the Month. Each month, we will explore the work of musicians from diverse backgrounds, spanning a variety of musical styles and traditions.

January/February's musician is London legend, **David Bowie**! We will share his music in class, in singing assemblies (Years 3-5), ME book tasks and through displays.

MUSICIAN OF THE MONTH

DAVID BOWIE

Born : Brixton, London 1947
Died: New York, U.S.A. 2016
Famous Song: Space Oddity

TCS Mini London Marathon

We have again registered Brindishe Green for the 2026 TCS Mini Marathon on **Sat 25th April**. If you would like your child/ren to be considered for a place, please email the school office before Friday 30th January, for the attention of Miss Campbell, with your **child's name, year, class, which race you would like them to enter AND if your child has participated before**. Please do not email Ms Campbell directly.

 Saturday 25th April 2026 - parents/carers to take their child/ren



 One mile (Reception-Yr6) or 2.6K (Yr4-6)



14,000 children and young people



Y Medal, and £10 to the school for every finisher

[Click here for more information](#)

The event is free to enter, with more than 14,000 children and young people expected to run, jog, walk, or wheel one mile or 2.6K in the heart of the capital. Please note that this was a very popular, and it is extremely doubtful that everyone will receive a place. Ms Campbell will let you know if your child is able to take part as soon as she can. If your child is not allocated a place, their name will be placed on a waiting list.

Something Wonderful to Celebrate

These children have been praised this week for their wonderful learning and behaviour in school.

E Penguin	Poppy C & Alexandra
Cormorant	Melody & Edemare
Shoebill	Lillian & Isaac
Macaw	Grace & Eli
Heron	Eliza & Sona
Cassowary	Abner & Ejla
Hornbill	Ellie & Sebastian
Red Kite	Maria and Aiden
Puffin	Jibran & Honour
Magpie	Mohammed & Sofia
Hawk	Elsie & Alfred
Kingfisher	Almir & Kit
Woodpecker	Hashvi & Kurt
Parakeet	Holly & Finn
Kestrel	Layla & Hugo
Swift	Isla May & Zeon
Little Owl	Lael & Ihlam
Goldfinch	Sinn & Marla
Robin	Piper & Sereyah
Wren	Kairen & Zuzanna
Sparrow	Awil & Miguell



This week's sign is...

'tidy up.'



Tidy up

Tidy up - Hands spaced in front of chest as if holding a box and hop hands along from left to right.

Happy signing everyone!

Attendance and Punctuality

Overall school attendance this week:	94.48%		
Best Attendance 97.5% & Above	Hornbill	99.2%	
	Goldfinch	98.9%	
	Kingfisher	97.8%	
Well Done Hornbill 😊	Macaw	97.8%	
Top Classes for BEST punctuality	Red Kite & Parakeet A huge well done to Everyone! 😊		

Important Dates - Spring 1

January 2026		February 2026	
Mon 5 th Jan	INSET Day – No school		Open Classroom 8.40 – 9.15am Monday 2 nd Feb – Year 1
Tues 6 th Jan	Start of Spring term		Tuesday 3 rd Feb – Year 3 Thursday 5 th Feb – Year 6 Monday 9 th Feb – Year 5 Tuesday 10 th Feb – Year 2 Thursday 12 th Feb – Year 4
			Wednesday 11 th Feb – Reception 3.15–3.45pm
		Mon 16 th – Fri 20 th Feb	Half Term



ONLINE SAFETY POSTER COMPETITION

BE SMART
ONLINE

Are you ready for SAFER INTERNET DAY?



Use everything you know about the potential risks and hazards of life online and create an award-winning Safer Internet Day poster.

COMPETITION RULES

- Open to all students in years 1-6.
- Each entry must have a title, name and class.
- Poster should be colourful and full of helpful information.
- Poster should no larger than A4 paper.



What online safety messages do you think are the most important for your chosen theme?

What will the theme of your poster be?



There are many different things to consider when visiting the online world,

Personal Information

Reliable Content

Online Communication

Safe Searching

Age Ratings

Healthy Gaming

Digital Footprints

Cyberbullying

Malware

Please return to your class teacher by

Tuesday 10th February

A Message from the Brindishe Friends Group



Diary Dates

Coffee Morning Friday 6th February, 8.45am

Join us to grab a hot drink, meet other families, and get a sneak peek at the refurbished library.



Doughnut Sale

Tuesday 10th February

Doughnuts £1 each on the day, or **pre-order a dozen online** & collect at school.

Year 1-5 Discos!

Friday 13th March

More info coming soon!

Book & Toy Sale

Date TBC

Keep hold of any pre-loved books and toys for our sale after half term. We'll let you know when we'll be collecting donations.



Just some of the books you've already bought!

One week left!

There's just one week to go to help us finish our Library Book campaign... and **58 books still on the list**. Each book bought goes straight onto the library shelves.

The remaining list includes a brilliant mix of poetry, sport, history, science, nature and inclusive stories. From calming poetry collections to inspiring non-fiction, plus much-loved series and fascinating fact books about the human body, space and the natural world. There's something for every age and interest.

Please take a look at the list and donate a book if you can. Every single book makes a real difference. **This is the final push to complete the library collection.**

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