

Newsletter

Friday 9th January 2026



Brindishe
Green

HAPPY
2026
NEW YEAR

What has been happening this week?

Happy New Year to you all - and welcome back after the Winter Break.

Despite a very cold and frosty start to the term, the children have come back settled and eager to learn. This week we welcomed our new caterers, **Nourish**. They have been doing a great job fueling the children with hot and tasty lunches.

This week, our **Rights Respecting Ambassadors** introduced '**Article of the Month**' to all the classes across the school. Each month they will focus on teaching the school community a different Article and what it means. They will create a ME Book task linked to the Article and ask the children questions to get them thinking about their Rights. You can find their first Article on the next page.

Year 3 started the term with an engaging **Born Free Workshop** where they learnt about threats facing wildlife. Every year group from Yr1-6 will attend a different workshop at some point during the year, with a focus on biodiversity and environmental damage. Every workshop is funded with money raised by The BFG.

What is happening next week?

On Friday, we will welcome Emma Johnson, British clarinetist, who will be performing with her band for our Year 2-4 children. When she was 18 years old, Emma won BBC Young Musician of the Year competition, and was appointed MBE for services to music in 1996.



Breakfast and Tea Club Booking – Ad Hoc Sessions

Please remember that Breakfast and Tea Club sessions must be booked in advance through the **Extended Services Manager**.

- Any ad hoc sessions **must** be agreed with the Extended Services Manager prior to the required day, **no later than 12:00pm (midday) the day before**.
- If a place has not been booked through the Extended Services Manager in advance, **we will not be able to accept the child(ren) into the club**.

Applying for Primary School

Do you, or someone you know, have a child who is due to start primary school in September 2026?

If so, please note that all applications must be submitted **to Lewisham by Wednesday 15th January, at the latest**. We understand that it can be a complicated process so please email the school office if you have any questions. Alternatively, the Lewisham website has all the information that you will need. [Click here!](#)



**RIGHTS
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GOLD – RIGHTS RESPECTING

Article of the Month



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I have the right to be listened to, and taken seriously

What Should Adults Do?

Adults should listen to you and take your ideas seriously.

What Should Children Do?

- Share your views honestly when something affects you.
- Explain your reasons as best you can
- Listen to other people's opinions, even if they are different from yours.
- Be respectful when you speak.
- Understand that adults make the final decision, but they should still listen to you.

Speak up, listen to others, and be respectful.



Something Wonderful to Celebrate

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

Attendance and Punctuality

E Penguin	Lex & Romilly
Cormorant	Ari & Ismaeel
Shoebill	Cassidy & Ben
Macaw	Thomas & Rayhan
Heron	Ryan & Gabriella
Cassowary	Cassowary Class
Hornbill	Fatmata & Esther
Red Kite	Zaroon & Harry
Puffin	Michael & Andy
Magpie	Aiden & Sivanika
Hawk	Ava & Zarar
Kingfisher	Aydan & Eliza
Woodpecker	Bobby & Eden
Parakeet	Millie & Ayaan
Kestrel	Avesta & Finn
Swift	Luke, Annie & Dillon
Little Owl	Esma & Santiago
Goldfinch	Damian & Marlo
Robin	Zachary & Dali
Wren	Leena & Casey
Sparrow	Ellie & Sisi

Overall school attendance this week:	93.7%	
Best Attendance 99% & Above	Kingfisher	100%
Well Done Kingfisher 😊		Hornbill 99.4% 99.0%
Top Classes for BEST punctuality		Macaw, Wren & 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
Tues 6 th Jan	Start of Spring term	Monday 2 nd Feb – Year 1 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

A Message from the Brindishe Friends Group



We Need You!

We're looking for one or two **new committee members** to help shape the BFG's events, fundraising and plans. No experience needed... just enthusiasm and a little time! Find out more on our [Linktree](#).

 [Find out more](#)

Diary Dates

BFG Meeting Thursday 22nd January, 4.30pm

Everyone welcome! If you're curious about how the BFG works or would like to get involved, this is a great place to start.

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.

Year 1-5 Discos!

Friday 13th March

More info coming soon!

Welcome Back!

We hope you all had a restful break and are ready for a busy, exciting term ahead. Here's what's coming up and how you can get involved.

Unwanted Gifts?

If you've got any unused, unopened or unwanted Christmas gifts, treats or small items, we'd love to find them a new home at future fairs and tombolas.

We'll be collecting donations next **Thursday 15th and Friday 16th January** before and after school in the playground.



Help us Reach Our Target!

Thanks to your generosity, our refurbished library already has **140+ fantastic new books** which is a huge boost for the children of Brindishe Green.

We're now **down to the last 60 books** on our wish list. January is the perfect month to gift one, the children are indoors more, and **every book bought means BFG funds can go further on other projects this year.**

At the end of this month, the BFG will buy any remaining titles so the library is fully stocked, but with your help, we can make our fundraising stretch even further.



[Donate a book now](#)