



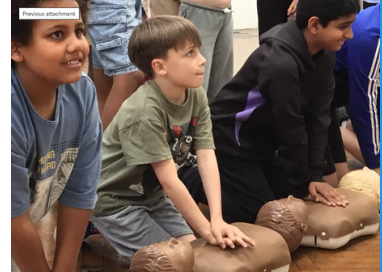
Brindishe  
Lee

# Newsletter

Friday 23rd May 2025

## What has been happening this week?

It's been a busy week here at Brindishe Lee! Year 6 took part in the National Vegetarian Cook Along, making empanadas and cookies on Monday. Thank you so much to Cook School for the free recipe boxes! Year 6 also enjoyed a Transport for London Citizenship workshop on Thursday, learning lots of rules and safety advice for using public transport.



Year 1 to 6 learned valuable lessons in their online safety workshops on Tuesday from the Breck Foundation. We hope you found the parent workshop useful. Online safety is taught in every lesson involving using the internet, but it's great to have a focused workshop to ensure everyone stays safe online.



Year 1 enjoyed their visit to The Good Shepherd Church. They got to see the view from the pulpit and learned about baptism in the Christian faith.



Year 5 were commended on their exemplary behaviour whilst at their Mini First Aider's workshop at Brindishe Manor on Tuesday afternoon. They learned lots of important skills and had a lot of fun!



## What is happening in the first week back?

It's a big week for sports as Year 4, 5 and 6 head to the Alex Yee Ladywell Arena for their sports day on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June. Year 6 will support Years 1, 2 and 3 at their sports day in Manor House Gardens on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June.



We will think about male role models in a Father's Day themed assembly on Monday, and celebrate the birthday of Millicent Fawcett, the British suffragist, on Wednesday.

Our Girls' Football Team have their first tournament at St Dunstan's on Wednesday- good luck girls!

Our school photographer will be in on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

## Important Information From the Office

**Payments:** Please pay any money owing for music or Year 5 First Aid on Parent Portal by Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> May. This will really help the admin team as we transfer over to Arbor. (See email sent today.)

**Permissions:** Please fill in the permissions and lunch options on WEDUC for the Sports Days and the Year 6 Bank of England trip.

Year 5 parents/ carers: Keep an eye on Weduc as all the information about swimming will come out on Monday.

Our school photographer will be in on 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> June to take individual, sibling and whole class photos

We hope you're all looking forward to the sponsored walk on 7th June. Sponsorship forms are available at school if you didn't pick one up earlier this week.

In collaboration with Sapore Vero we are running another pizza kit event on 20th June. They will go on sale on Monday 2nd June for two weeks only. Pizza kits can be collected after school on Friday 20th June.

Enjoy the half term!



## 2024/2025 Parent/Carer Survey

Recently we posted on Weduc an update of everything we have done this year, since the 2023/2024 parent/carers survey.

After half term we will be sending you a link to our 2024/25 Parent/Carer Survey. This is a very important way for us to find out what you think about our school. Please look out for it during the first week back and take some time to answer the questions. Thank you.

## Attendance

Well done Year 4! Only 3 minutes of learning time lost!

Class	Attendance	Minutes Late
Reception	97.32%	37
Year 1	94.81%	79
Year 2	97.78%	47
Year 3	95.30%	91
Year 4	96.03%	3
Year 5	96.71%	24
Year 6	94.05%	32

## Important Dates

May 2025		June 2025		July 2025	
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday	Fortnight beg 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Year 4 Times Tables checks	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Year Reports to parents/carers
Wk beg 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs	2 <sup>nd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> June	School Photographer in	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July- 3.40pm- 4.10pm	Open Classrooms
		Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Years 4, 5 and 6- Sports Day at Ladywell Arena	Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	F@B Summer Fair
		Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1, 2 and 3- Sports Day at Manor House Gardens	WB 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Final School clubs
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> - 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Half Term	Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	F@B sponsored Walk	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	'Year 6 Leavers' Performance
		Wk beg 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics checks	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Last day of school
		Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception Sports Morning		
		Wks beg 16 <sup>th</sup> and 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 5- Swimming Lessons		
		27 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET Day - School closed to children		

Please have a look at these flyers for some sporty holiday fun and an important message about measles which is on the rise in Lewisham at the moment.



The Better run Leisure Centres are running a range of activities this May Half Term.

Activities on offer:

- Kids swim for £1
- Additional Swim for All's (family swims)
- Soft play sessions
- Swimming lessons
- Junior classes
- Additional Junior Gym sessions
- Swim Bike Run Mini at Alex Yee Ladywell Arena (1km run, 5km cycle, 1km run) for 6 yrs to 14 yrs - [see separate article here](#)

[\*Better Leisure Centres link\*](#)

To find out more about what's on offer please contact your nearest leisure centre for more information or visit our website [HERE](#)

# MINI DUATHLON

## ALEX YEE LADYWELL ARENA

Alex Yee Ladywell Arena will be hosting a fun non competitive, **Run, Bike, Run** event in partnership with British Triathlon. The event will start with a 1km run, followed by a 5km cycle and finish with another 1km run.

**When:** Monday 26th May at 10am  
**Ages:** 6 - 14 year olds  
**Price:** £10 per entry

Scan the QR code to sign up today

**SIGN UP TODAY**



- measles outbreaks happen when not enough children have been vaccinated
- measles can be a very serious disease, leading to ear and chest infections, fits, diarrhoea, and damage to the brain. Measles can kill
- your child is at risk of measles if he or she hasn't had the MMR vaccination
- 2 doses of MMR vaccine are needed to get the best protection
- if your child is due to have had 2 doses of MMR but has not yet received them, no matter what age they are, you should contact your GP to get them vaccinated as soon as possible\*
- if you can't remember if your child has had any, 1 or 2 doses of MMR vaccine, check his or her personal child health record (the Red Book). If this doesn't help, speak to your GP
- if you don't know how many doses your child has had, it's better to have 2 doses of MMR vaccine now rather than risk leaving them unprotected

\*In response to a local outbreak then the 2 doses can be given one month apart from the age of 18 months.

## Answers to some common questions about measles and the MMR vaccine

### Why are we seeing these outbreaks of measles?

Measles is a highly infectious disease, spreading quickly from person to person, especially in schools. A child with measles will infect almost all unprotected children they have contact with. Since the end of 2017 there has been an increase in measles globally which has affected the UK. This has resulted in some spread into wider communities, in particular in undervaccinated groups.

### When are the MMR vaccinations usually given?

The best times are between 12 and 13 months of age and again at 3 years and 4 months, with one dose on each occasion. But, if your child wasn't vaccinated then, they can be vaccinated at any age with 2 doses one month apart.

### Will there be any side effects to the vaccination?

Your child may get the symptoms of measles, mumps and rubella for up to 6 weeks after the vaccination but in a very much milder form. This proves that the vaccine is working and your child is building up resistance to future contact with the viruses that cause the 3 diseases. Not all children show these symptoms but that doesn't mean the vaccine isn't working.

### Should parents in outbreak areas get vaccinated against measles?

As with many diseases, once you have had measles, you don't catch it again because you have built up a natural resistance to it. So, if you've had measles or 2 doses of MMR vaccine you do not need to get vaccinated now.

For more information about measles and MMR go to [www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/)

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