



Brindishe
Manor

Newsletter

Friday 6th June 2025



What has been happening this week?

Welcome back to our final half term of the year!

What a week it has been! On Monday in our assemblies, we spoke to the children about World Environment Day, which was yesterday. We explored with the children our use of single-use-plastics and what we can do to reduce our use of them. We have asked the children to go away this week/weekend and think about what could be used instead of some single-use-plastics. Miss Porter would love to hear children's ideas.

We were really sad to have to cancel our Year 4,5 & 6 federation sports day on Thursday. The rain just would not stop! Our PE lead Jade Mackay is now working hard to try and secure an alternative day and venue for the children later on in the term. We know how difficult it can be for some of our working parents and we will be in touch as soon as we have managed to organise something for the children.

This week we also welcomed our new Nursery and Reception parents; showing them around the classrooms and hearing more about their children. We are looking forward to seeing the children for their stay and play visits later on in the term.

What is happening this week and half term?

This half term (and throughout the summer school holidays) we are looking forward to having a large number of our windows replaced and the children's toilets will also be refurbished. We are hoping this will all be completed ready for the children to return in September.

Next week Year 1 have their phonics screening tests in school. Year 1 parents have received examples of the phonics screening test, which will be carried out with your child's class teacher. Your child's results will be included as part of their written report paperwork in July.

Throughout next week, Year 4 children will sit their statutory times table assessment. The children will be supported by their class teacher and Ms Dougan. The system for assessment is an online assessment and the children have had the opportunity over the past few weeks to have several practice goes. We know they will do their very best. Your child's results will be included as part of their end of year report in July.



Parent Survey

Every year, we ask our parents/carers to complete a survey to tell us about their experiences of Brindishe Manor during the current school year. This survey is for the academic year 2024-2025.

We kindly ask that each family completes a survey during the week 4th June - 11th June. Your views and comments are very important to us as we want to know what we are doing right, and what you think we could improve upon. Please give as much information as possible.



You will find the link for our survey on Weduc

Summer Term Key Dates

Monday 9th June - Phonics screening week for Year 1 pupils

Tuesday 10th June - Year 6 writing moderation process for the day

Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th June - School discos

Thursday 20th June - Federation Year 6 Careers Fair at Brindishe Green

Friday 27th June - INSET day for teachers. No school for children

Thursday 3rd July - Reception - Year 3 Sports Day at Manor House Garde

10th July - Whole school BBQ for lunch

Wednesday 16th July - Afternoon Year 6 performance

Thursday 17th July - Evening Year 6 performance

Summer fair - Friday 18th July straight after school



Overall school attendance this week:	95%	
Top 5 classes with attendance over 95%:	Curie	98%
	Goldsworthy	97%
	Rashford	97%
	Adeola	96%
	Kusama	99%
A huge well done to Curie 98% attendance this week		
Top classes with all children on time	Kusama, Turing, Curie Huge well done to them all 😊	



Attendance Matters





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Lewisham Holiday Vouchers and Activities

If you are entitled to Free School Meal vouchers they will be automatically sent to you on 11th June. These vouchers allow you to participate in free activities during the summer break. No action is required on your part.

The holiday activities will be published here nearer the summer holidays on the Lewisham website - please click here - <https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/young-people/holiday-programme-food-and-fun>

Dulwich Youth Orchestra

Dulwich Youth Orchestra are celebrating 50 years of holiday courses in Dulwich this summer and they are hoping to share this exciting achievement with as many local young musicians as possible.

All the children on the courses play in at least two orchestras, over five mornings and take part in a public performance at the end of the week. They provide a fantastic opportunity to support the work done in specialist instrumental and class music lessons, especially for pupils who do not have the opportunity to play in a regular ensemble elsewhere.

Please visit www.dyodulwich.com for further information or scan the QR code.



Summer Course

Alley's School
SE22 8SU

**Mon 28th July -
Fri 1st August**
9am - 1pm

Concert 2pm
Friday 1st August

String Ensemble
Wind Band
Senior Orchestra
Great Orchestra

Ages 7 - 18
Grades 2 - 8+

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Online Safety Bulletin

How to best use location tracking apps within your family

Location tracking gives us the ability to see where somebody is via their smart device and is often one of the reasons children receive their first device. Internet Matters have published an article discussing location tracking, including the benefits and risks and provide links to other supporting resources.

You can read the article here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/expert-opinion/how-to-use-location-tracking-apps-in-your-family/>



Lewisham Summer Reading Challenge 2025

Story Garden challenge will keep children reading over the holidays - in libraries and in the Great Outdoors.

All Lewisham public libraries are offering the Challenge throughout the summer holidays, and it's free for children to take part. Children joining 'Story Garden' can discover new books, participate in free activities, and explore the link between reading and the great outdoors, where nature and imagination come together.

This year's Summer Reading Challenge features artwork from award-winning illustrator Dapo Adeola, whose stunning illustrations will bring the Story Garden theme to life; creating an enchanting world where children can find magical creatures, plants and flowers to inspire their next reading adventure.



For further information click link here - <https://readingagency.org.uk/the-summer-reading-challenge-2025-story-garden-takes-reading-to-the-great-outdoors/>

Measles Cases Rising: Call For Action

Number of measles cases are rising in the UK with London having highest number of cases in England. Lewisham has the highest number of measles cases in Southeast London.

- Two doses of the MMR vaccine are required to be fully protected against measles.
- More information about the MMR vaccine can be found on the [NHS website](#).
 - The MMR vaccine is a combination vaccine which protects against three diseases – measles, mumps and rubella.
 - In England, children should receive their first dose of the MMR vaccine when they turn 12 months old, the second dose is given when children turn 18 months.
 - It is never too late to get vaccinated. People of any age who have missed MMR vaccinations can have them at their GP practice.
- The MMR vaccine is safe, free, effective and the best protection for our children and young adults.



- 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.

Brindishe Schools Governing Body

Governing Body meetings are regular and meet every half term. Parents/carers are more than welcome to attend our meetings as 'observers'. If you would like to know more about the governing body or you would like to attend one of our meetings, please email Rachel Waite - rawaite@brindisheschools.org. **Our last meeting for 2024/2025 will be held on Tuesday 15th July 2025 at Brindishe Lee School - 6pm.**

Key Federation Dates

- Phonics Screening Check for Year 1 starts Monday 9th June
- Brindishe Schools INSET DAY - School closed to all children - Friday 27th June
- Reports to parents/carers - Friday 11th July
- End of 2024/2025 - Tuesday 22nd July 2025