



# Brindishe Federation Newsletter Thursday 28th November 2024

**All Brindishe Schools closed on Friday 29th November. We look forward to seeing you on Monday.**

## Data Checking

As you are aware, we are holding our parent/carer meetings next week across Brindishe Schools. We would like to use this opportunity of you all being in the building, to ask you to update your contact details stored on Horizons. This is to ensure we have the correct phone numbers, addresses and emergency contacts for you. This is a safeguarding necessity.

When you arrive for your parent/carer meeting we will provide you with your data sheet and you can make the changes needed on site and return to us. We will have a box of pens ready and ask that all parents/carers come via the office prior to your appointment. If there are no changes needed, we need this indicated too. If at all possible, we would really like the forms amended (where needed) and returned to us next week. If that is not possible, you may take the data sheet home and return to the school office as soon as you can.



Thank you for your co-operation with us to ensure we have all the correct information for you and your child on our school systems.

## Looking for a New Years Resolution?

## Volunteer with a Lewisham Food Project or Growing Site

Lewisham have some current volunteering opportunities to get involved with a local food project in and around Lewisham. You can [find more volunteering opportunities here](#) and if you would like to receive updates on the latest volunteering opportunities, along with creative activities, donation information and the latest news from around Lewisham you can sign up to receive Lewisham's fortnightly newsletter at the bottom of their homepage. For more information on their work on food justice and transforming the local food system, visit [Good Food Lewisham](#).

[Lewisham Donations Hub](#) – Multiple Volunteer Roles

[FoodCycle Lewisham](#)

LWCC Living Water Christian Centre Food project

Eltham Community Food Bank is looking for drivers and food deliveries:

AFRIL Food Bank

[Lewisham Foodbank](#)

CC Foundation Food Service –

The Life Giving Project Saturday 11.30 am – 1 pm

Not sure where to start? Email [volunteering@lewishamlocal.com](mailto:volunteering@lewishamlocal.com) and a member of the team will get in touch.



# Online Safety Bulletin

## Staying safe online with Google Families

Google have a one stop resource to help you and your family stay safe online. It includes how to set up parental controls and important steps on how to keep your children safe online.

You can find out more here: <https://families.google/>



## Rights Respecting - Article of the Week

Anti-bullying Day is held each year in November and is a time for all of us to think about how we can develop positive relationships in school based on dignity and respect.

### Article 14 (freedom of thought, belief and religion)

Every child has the right to think and believe what they choose and also to practise their religion, as long as they are not stopping other people from enjoying their rights. Governments must respect the rights and responsibilities of parents to guide their child as they grow up.

### Who or what influences the way you think about the world and shapes your thoughts and beliefs?

*Your cultural background and heritage*



*Friends*

*Family*

*TV*

*School*

*Where you live*

*Your religion*

*Your health*

*Social media*

*Personal life experiences*

*Your family history*

*Politicians*

*Celebrities*

*Education*



November and December are important months for many religions. Can you think of some festivals and events that take place at this time? See how many you can think of. You could write a sentence, draw a picture, or write a story about a child celebrating a festival or special day.

This video about Dr Martin Luther King Jr explains how his religion and beliefs shaped his work for civil rights. Research and write about another inspirational figure who had strong beliefs – do you agree with them? Share your thoughts at home with your child.



# 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](mailto:rawaite@brindisheschools.org). ***Our first meeting for 2024/2025 is Tuesday 10th December at Brindishe Green School - 6pm.***

## Key Federation Dates

- INSET DAY - Friday 29th November
- Christmas Holidays - Monday 23rd December to Friday 3rd January
- INSET Day - Monday 6th January - Children back to school Tuesday 7th January