



Torridon
Primary School

TORRIDON NEWS

15th February 2019

Dear parents and carers,

I can't believe we have come to the end of this half term already. It has really flown by! The appearance of the sun this week has made it feel very spring like. I hope that the dark winter mornings and evenings will soon be behind us.

I had some very positive feedback from many of you following parent and carer open evenings. I hope you enjoyed the chance to see how well your children are achieving and how much progress they are making.

I wish you all a very restful half term and look forward to seeing you all after the holiday.

Best wishes

A. George

Manda George

Headteacher

Torridon Governing Body

Congratulations, to our Chair of Governors, Jo Honeybone, who has been promoted at work! Knowing how hard Jo works for Torridon and how committed she is to the wellbeing of all our children. We know how hard she will work in her new role, the sad part is that Jo has decided that she needs to step down as our Chair of Governors.

She writes, "I feel that I am no longer able to give the school the time and level of input that is needed, particularly at this time of change. My new position at work means that I will continue to be out of the country a lot. As well as having to work at varies times, would mean I can't attend important meetings at the school or at the Local Authority which is required from a Chair."

Our Vice-Chair, Margaret Brightman will be acting chair until the next meeting of the governing body until we select a Chair.

We wish Jo good luck in her new position and thank her for all that she has done for Torridon Infants and for Torridon Primary.



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Smoothie Bike Activity

The children had an amazing time this week when we had the smoothie bike in. They all had the chance to make smoothies in a fun and exciting way.



This was a great opportunity to promote wellbeing.

Brighten Up Catford with Hunters

February isn't the brightest of months, so Hunters Catford have decided to change that and have a photo competition with the theme of "*Brighten Up February*".

Entries are open till 28th February.

There are two competitions:

- Aged 16 and under – prize of a new digital camera
- Aged 17 and over – prize of £100 in gift vouchers from the store of your choice

Photos need to be taken anywhere in Catford SE6, indoors or out, and in some way be related to "*Brightening Up February*".

How to enter

Use the hashtag #HuntersCatfordphoto on Instagram and give your photo a title. Also tag @hunterscatford. Try and get your family and friends to enter as well.

Entries need to be received by midnight on 28th February 2019.

The winning entries will be displayed in Hunters Catford shop front on Rushey Green and throughout the Catford area.



Recent Sporting Events

Year 3 & 4 Football Tournament - Tuesday 5th February 2019

Last week, 19 children from years 3 & 4 represented Torrison in the Lewisham School Games, football tournament at St. Dunstan's Jubilee Ground. They formed two teams and played 6-Aside football matches against other schools. The children had a great day!

Matches were won, lost and drawn with plenty of goals scored.

In one match, Torrison scored a total of 9 goals!! Both teams played really well finishing in 2nd and 4th place.

Congratulations to all the children involved - and well done to Lilly for being awarded with the "Self-Belief" Sporting Spirit Award!

Year 5 & 6 Girls' Football Tournament - Thursday 14th February 2019

Torrison were back at St. Dunstan's Jubilee Ground this week competing in the girls year 5&6 football tournament.

17 girls formed the two teams with many of our Saturday League girls' team included as well. A selection of children, were given an incredible amount of confidence this half term in their PE lessons.

It was a joy to watch them utilise the skills they have been learning in school throughout this half term. Again, both teams played well - and although there were over 30 teams competing, they still managed to finish 3rd and 5th in their league groups! Well done to all the girls who played on the day and congratulations to Hope for being awarded with the "Honesty" Sporting Spirit Award!

Reception Visitors



Reception have enjoyed having some visitors to their classrooms this half term. A vet and a gecko visited to support the children's knowledge and understanding of animals and how to care for them.

Thank you to the parents who volunteered to facilitate this. We welcome contributions from our parents and carers, so please feel free to speak to your child's class teacher if you have any skills or experience to share to support our current learning.

Last Week's Stars of the Week

Class	Pupil	Class	Pupil
Nursery	Thashvin	30	Anaya
RAZ	Yasir	4N	Charelle
RS	Sophie	4V	Alyssia
RE	Orlando	4S	Amelia
1KJ	Tobi	4L	Ojorie
1MJ	Wilfred	5L	Charimi
1JB	Abshitha	5C	Jacob
2D	Joshua	5A	Aswin
2SA	Annaliese	6R	Idara
2E	Ryan	6C	Raushan
3C	Isiah	6CH	Serena
3A	Gabriel	Lighthouse	Samuel

Dates for your diary

Monday 18th—Friday 22nd February	Half Term
Monday 25th February	Start of Maths Theme Week
Wednesday 27th February	Sharing Assemblies for 2E, 3C and 5A
Wednesday 6th March	Sharing Assemblies for 2SA, 3A and 5L
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
Wednesday 13th March	Sharing Assemblies for RAZ and 30
Wednesday 20th March	Sharing Assembly for RS
Wednesday 27th March	Sharing Assembly for RE
Friday 29th March	Whole School Coffee Morning 9am
Friday 5th April	Diversity Day
Friday 5th April	Last Day of Term

Nursery World Food Tasting Event



On Wednesday afternoon Nursery held a world food tasting event. To celebrate the end of their subject topic family. The children have been learning about, where in the world their families originate.

We requested parents to prepare a traditional , from their origin dish for everyone to taste.

Lots of parents attended and the children enjoyed trying lots of different foods.

Parent Comments:

"Really wonderful to meet so many parents and also see the children, always a pleasure to socialise with other parents."

"It was brilliant. It was good to know about different dishes and interesting to see what Ella's friends eat at home"

"The food was very delicious! thank you"

"Excellent day with a variety of f different foods, I enjoyed a lot."



"Wow! the nursery smelled like a restaurant! such delicious dishes from all over the world. Lets do it again!!"

"The children really enjoyed themselves, the contributions were amazing! Thank you nursery team"

"A lovely way to meet other parents, would have been nice if event was longer! The food was wonderful. ,my child really enjoyed trying new tastes and flavours"

Book Sale

In today's book sale we raised £250.00. Thank you very much, to all the parents, carers and children who attended the book sale.