

# **TORRIDON NEWS**

29th March 2019

Dear parents and carers,

It has been so lovely to see the sunshine this week. It feels like spring has finally arrived. The Year 5 children who were on their residential trip have been very lucky with the weather. They have had an amazing time, climbing, rope swinging, zip wiring and having lots of fun! It will be nice to have them back in school next week as we have missed them.

Thank you to those of you who joined us for our coffee morning today. It is always good to hear your views. We have been listening to your comments and suggestions and I am really pleased that many of you feel that communication has improved.

It was good to see some of you at the 'Safer Communities' meeting last night with our dedicated ward officer, PC Andy Reading. I am hoping this will be the first of several opportunities for us to come together to look at ways we can work in partnership to strengthen our community links in order to keep our children safe. PC Reading will be running workshops with the children in Years 5 and 6 next week.

The children are busy preparing for our **Diversity Day** next week. We do hope you will be able

to come and join us. See inside for more details.

I hope you have a lovely weekend

Best wishes

A. Georg

Manda George

Headteacher



#### Governing Body

I am very pleased to announce that, following elections last night, Margaret Brightman has been appointed as our Chair of Governors and Levin Wheller as Vice Chair of Governors. We are delighted that they will be working alongside the senior team to drive the development of Torridon in the coming months. Congratulations to them both!



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#### Y5 Residential Trip

Y5 thoroughly enjoying their week away from school! See some of their antics below!

Year 5 had a lovely and vibrant coach trip to Kingswood Residential!





Our Year 5's arrived safely to a warm greeting at Kingswood Residential.







Keen to get stuck in with their next adventure, they were reaching new heights with Indoor Rock Climbing, zip wire and wooden obstacle trail!

#### End of Term Gymnastics Display

KS1 Gymnastics After School Club ended the last session with a gymnastics display for parents and carers. It was a great end to the club and the children enjoyed showing off their skills.





Summer Term Clubs will be available to sign up to before the end of this term.

## Meg the Dog (Rebecca/Angela)

Our 'Shooting Stars' group in Reception have been having weekly visits from 'Meg' the dog as part of their topic on caring for animals. The children have been learning how to groom, feed and exercise a pet dog as well as working on their own booklets about how to care for a pet which they have been writing themselves!



#### Hand Sanitiser

Over the Easter holidays, we will be installing additional hand sanitiser dispensers in key areas across the school. We would be grateful if you didn't send individual bottles of sanitiser into school.



#### **RE Sharing Assembly**

Thank you to those of you who came to RE's sharing assembly this week. Everyone enjoyed the assembly and seeing the work that the children have been doing. We look forward to seeing parents and carers of children in 2E and 3C next week.



#### Diversity Day - Friday 5th April 2019

As you know, we will be celebrating the cultural diversity of our school community at the end of this term. We will be asking children to share their family traditions within their classes. They can also wear clothes to represent their country of heritage if they choose to.

You are invited into your child's class to share aspects of your heritage. This might be a traditional story, dress, dance or object. Please speak to your child's class teacher to arrange a time.

At 2:45pm you are invited to join your children to sample a range of traditional dishes from around the world. We are asking you to contribute food dishes to be shared if you would like to. Please include a list of ingredients for each dish and note these dishes must not contain

any nuts due to allergies.

Thank you in advance for supporting this event. We look forward to seeing you there.



#### Friday 22nd March - Lewisham Swim Gala

15 children from years 5 & 6 represented Torridon Primary School in the annual Lewisham Swimming Gala at the Glass Mill Leisure Centre last week. Our children all participated with great efforts and recorded some fantastic swimming times! Children from each year group had to race against other schools performing various swim strokes such as butterfly, breaststroke, backstroke and front crawl. To finish the evening, 8 children teamed up in groups of 4 for

two relay races! Although we are still awaiting the final results, the children tried their very best on the day and should be incredibly proud of themselves. Final results will be announced as soon as they are finalised.

#### Special Thank You

We would like to say a huge thank you to members of GoodGym, a local charitable running group (www.goodgym.org), for volunteering their time last Saturday 23rd March to assist our gardener Shaha with the mammoth task of cleaning our school pond. We are extremely grateful for their support!



## Dates for your diary

Wednesday 3rd April	Sharing Assemblies for 2E and 3C
Thursday 4th April	Police workshops for Yr 5 & 6
Friday 5th April	Police workshops for Yr 5 & 6
Friday 5th April	Diversity Day
Friday 5th April	Last Day of Term



#### Stars of the Week

Class	Pupil	Class	Pupil
Nursery	Aathesh	30	Bryant
RAZ	Devante	4V	Aditya
RS	Aaliyah	4N	Tunde
1KJ	Zhi	4S	Amari
1MJ	Nathan	4L	Michael
1JB	Zaniya-Rose	5C	Sathvik
2E	James	6R	Elisha
2SA	Annaliese	6C	Rachel
3C	Nicholas	6CH	Maral
3A	Eddie	Lighthouse	Cam'ron







# Summer Term 2019 After School Clubs

Clubs will be available to sign up to via Parent Pay by early next week. Summer Clubs are as below:

Gymnastics - Year 1 & 2	
Date of First Session	Monday 29th April
Date of Last Session	Monday 15th July
No club on	Monday 6th May, Monday 27th May
Clothing	Shorts/tracksuit bottoms and t-shirt
Available spaces	15
Cost	£40

Multisports - Years 3 to 6	
Date of First Session	Monday 29th April
Date of Last Session	Monday 15th July
No club on	Monday 6th May, Monday 27th May
Clothing	Shorts/tracksuit bottoms and t-shirt
Available spaces	24
Cost	£30

Maths —Years 3 to 6	
Date of First Session	Monday 29th April
Date of Last Session	Monday 15th July
No Club on	Monday 6th May, Monday 27th May
Available spaces	15
Cost	£30

Marvellous Maths - Year 1 & 2	
Date of First Session	Tuesday 30th April
Date of Last Session	Tuesday 9th July
No club on	Tuesday 28th May
Available spaces	15
Cost	£30

Musical Theatre —Years 1 & 6	
Date of First Session	Tuesday 30th April
Date of Last Session	Tuesday 9th July
No club on	Tuesday 28th May
Clothing	Shorts/tracksuit bottoms and t-shirt
Available spaces	20
Cost	£40

Sewing - Years 3 to 6	
Date of First Session	Tuesday 30th April
Date of Last Session	Tuesday 9th July
No club on	Tuesday 28th May
Available spaces	15
Cost	£30

Digital Media Club - Year 2 & 3	
Date of First Session	Wednesday 1st May
Date of Last Session	Wednesday 10th July
No Club on	Wednesday 29th May
Available spaces	20
Cost	£30

Street Dance —Years 3 to 6		
Date of First Session	Wednesday 1st May	
Date of Last Session	Wednesday 10th July	
No Club on	Wednesday 29th May	
Available spaces	20	
Cost	£40	

Football—Years 3 to 6	
Date of First Session	Wednesday 1st May
Date of Last Session	Wednesday 10th July
No club on	Wednesday 29th May
Clothing	Shorts/tracksuit bottoms and t-shirt
Available spaces	24
Cost	£30

Healthy Cooking Club - Year 1 & 6	
Date of First Session	Thursday 2nd May
Date of Last Session	Thursday 11 July
No club on	Thursday 30th May
Available spaces	15
Cost	£65

Knitting — Years 3 to 6	itting — Years 3 to 6	
Date of First Session	Thursday 2nd May	
Date of Last Session	Thursday 11 July	
No club on	Thursday 30th May	
Available spaces	15	
Cost	£30	

Art & Craft—Year 3-	t & Craft—Year 3—6		
Date of First Session	Thursday 2nd May		
Date of Last Session	Thursday 11 July		
No club on	Thursday 30th May		
Available spaces	20		
Cost	£30		

Science Club - Year 1 & 2	
Date of First Session	Thursday 2nd May
Date of Last Session	Thursday 27th June
No club on	Thursday 30th May
Available spaces	20
Cost	£65

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Date of First Session	Thursday 2nd May	
Date of Last Session	Thursday 11 July	
No club on	Thursday 30th May	
Clothing	Shorts/tracksuit bottoms and t-shirt	
Available spaces	20	
Cost	£40	

Street Dance - Year 1 & 2	
Date of First Session	Friday 3rd May
Date of Last Session	Friday 19th July
No Club on	Friday 24th May, Friday 31st May
Clothing	Shorts/tracksuit bottoms and t-shirt
Available spaces	20
Cost	£40

Tennis—Years 3 to 6	
Date of First Session	Friday 3rd May
Date of Last Session	Friday 19th July
No Club on	Friday 24th May, Friday 31st May
Clothing	Shorts/tracksuit bottoms and t-shirt
Available spaces	24
Cost	£30





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Please note all fields marked \* are mandatory. Failure to complete all of the mandatory fields may result in your child's school milk provision being delayed. Please use a ballpoint pen and write clearly in black ink using BLOCK CAPITALS.

Parent/Guardian details				
Parent's first name*				
Parent's last name*				
Postcode*				
Address line 1*				
Address line 2				
Town/City*				
Telephone No.*				
$\textbf{Email} \ \textbf{-} \ \textbf{By providing your email address you will be able to manage your school milk account online.}$				

Child details Child's first name Child's last name\* Child's date of birth\* Start date at school D D / M M / Y Y Y D D / M M / Y Y Y On which days will your child be attending school?\* M T W Th F Please tick the days your child will be attending school.

#### School details

Name of school\* Town/City\* Postcode\* Parent/Guardian signature\* D D / M M / Y Y Y

Return your completed registration form today to: FREEPOST COOL MILK

By registering your child with Cool Milk, you may receive calls, emails, SMS or automated voice messages relating to your account. Please tok here if you would also like to be included on our malling list. "The personal data requested is required as part of the UK free and subsidised school milk schemes. All data is securely stored by Cool Milk (data controlled and is only used in relation to school milk. Please be aware that we may share this data with your local authority, the Nursery Milk Reimbursenent Unit, the Rural Payments Agency and any other local or central government department or third party appointed by them with respect to school milk.

#### National Children's Day UK 2019





National Children's Day UK (NCDUK) is all

about the importance of a healthy childhood and how we need to protect the rights and freedoms of children in order to ensure that they can grow into happy, healthy adults. This year National Children's Day UK is taking place on Sunday 12th May and people can run any kind of big or small event that they want for the week up to and including the day. From small family outings, to whole school and community events, local authority initiatives, talks, seminars and city-wide celebrations.

It's an opportunity for everyone to raise awareness about the things they care about or projects they are running.

Why is it so important? Because happy and healthy children create happy and healthy societies. And yet children in the UK are having a hard time.

Currently: • 30% (4.1 million) currently live in poverty

- 22% are clinically obese (with the number of 10 and 11-year-old children classed as severely obese in the final year of primary school now nearly double those found in reception classes)
- one in eight (11.2%) children under 19 in England currently have a mental health disorder
- 2 million children in England live in families with substantial complex needs and of these
- 1.6 million children have no established, recognised form of additional support.

