



TORRIDON NEWS

21st June 2019

Dear parents and carers,

We have had an amazing science week this week. The children have had great fun exploring and learning about new ideas and concepts. We have set a home learning challenge for you to try at home. See inside for more details.

Please look out for our Torridon Arts Newsletter First edition. "We love the arts" was published last week and sent by email to all parents and carers. It has some amazing work that our children have been completing in school. Please do comment and give feedback to the school so we make it more of what parents and carers would like to see!

Our parent governors are hoping you will be able to join them for our governor coffee morning on **Thursday 27th June 2019**. It will be an opportunity for you to find out about the role of the parent governor and to offer your ideas about the future of Torridon.

As always, please come and speak to a member of the senior team if you have any questions, concerns or suggestions. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Have a lovely weekend

Best wishes

A. George

Manda George
Headteacher



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Science Week

This week, Y5 and Y6 enjoyed learning all about the circulatory system as part of science week. They conducted a range of investigations and learnt all about how the heart pumps blood around the body. We also enjoyed finding out how physical exercise impacts our heart rate.

Y2 were pond dipping for their science week learning.



Reception enjoyed being scientists and investigating. They have been learning to make observations, talk about changes and explain what is happening.

In Y3 the children made egg parachutes and paper airplanes for their science week experiments.

Year 1 had fun finding out what happens when you mix oil, water and washing up liquid.

Year 4 investigated how to make parachutes to support eggs as they were dropped from a height!



Catford Clean Air Event

Torridon PTA would like to thank all parents and carers who came to support the inspiring Catford Clean event on Thursday 20th June 2019. Please stay tuned for many great follow-up initiatives involving Torridon Primary School!



Clean Air for Catford presents:

A breath of fresh air: making our air cleaner and safer for Catford

When:
7-9pm, 20 June 2019

Where:
The Archibald Corbett
Community Library, SE6 1RQ

How:
Sign up on Eventbrite
to secure your place
(search 'a breath of fresh air')
or turn up on the night.

Join us on National Clear
Air Day for inspiring talks
and practical workshops
to find solutions to
reduce pollution.

Speakers will include
Rosamund Kissi-Debrah
of the Ella Roberta
Foundation, and David
Smith of Clean Air Putney.
Everyone welcome.



Science Week—Home Learning Challenge

Are you a Super Scientist?

If so, try this challenge at home. Remember to ask an adult to help you.

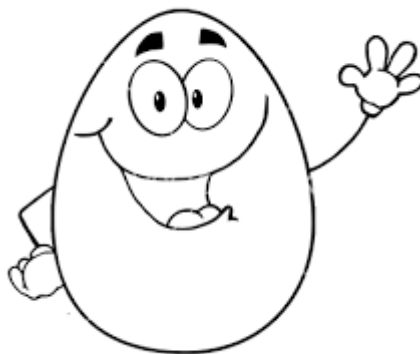
In this investigation you will be observing changes over time.

I would love to read about your investigations and see your photos. Maybe you could even video what happens!

There will be a special certificate for every

Super Scientist

who completes the challenge



The Eggxtraordinary Egg Challenge

What you need

1 or 2 eggs

White vinegar

A container (preferably a clear plastic one) big enough to hold your egg

Clingfilm or a lid for the container

A big spoon

What you need to do

1. Place your egg or eggs in the container so that they are not touching.
2. Add enough vinegar to cover the egg.
3. Cover the bowl with a lid or clingfilm.
4. Over the next 2 days (48 hrs) keep the egg in the vinegar and make regular observations of what you can see. You could make an observation sheet like the one below.
5. **Do not touch or remove the eggs from the vinegar!**
6. After 48 hours carefully remove the egg and rinse it very gently.
7. What do you notice?
8. Try shining a torch close to your egg. What can you see?

What does the egg look like before you put it in the vinegar?

What do you observe after 1 hour?

After 4 –5 hours?

After 24 hours?

After 48 hours?

What happens if you break the egg open? Why do you think this happens?

Y4 Trip To Horniman Museum

This week Y4 attended a fantastic workshop led by a local historian at Horniman Museum. During the workshop we looked at Indian Masks and found out about Indian culture.



Parent Governor Coffee Morning!

Do you want to help shape the future of our school?

Parent governors play an important role in the work of the governing board which is responsible for the way Torridon Primary School is run and for ensuring that our shared Vision and Values become a reality for all our children.

Two of our valued Parent Governors are standing down from our Governing Board at the end of the summer term to move on to new challenges. As a result, we are starting the process to recruit two new parent governors to join our Governing Board from September 2019.

Being a parent governor is a rewarding and valuable role. If this is something you are interested in, then please look out for the information pack which will be available from Friday June 21st. This will provide parents with information about the work of our Governing Board, what being a Parent Governor entails and how you can apply for one of these posts. If more than two parents come forward we will hold an election where every parent/carer in the school will have the chance to vote for two candidates.

If you are interested in finding out more, then please come along to a coffee morning Thursday 27th June 2019 at 9am to meet some of our current governors, or please feel free to email me:

Margaret Brightman, Chair of Governors

[\(mbrightman@torridonprimary.lewisham.sch.uk\)](mailto:mbrightman@torridonprimary.lewisham.sch.uk)

Dates For The Diary

Monday 24th June	Reception Monday mile at Forster Park
Monday 24th to Wednesday 26th June	New Reception Parents Home Visit
Tuesday 25th June	Y2 Parents Invited Tour of KS2 at 9am
Thursday 27th June	Governors Coffee Morning
Friday 28th June	2SA Swimming
Monday 1st July	Whole School Assessment week
Friday 5th July	Year 1 RSPB Workshop
Monday 8th July –Friday 12th July	Whole School Sports Week
Monday 8th July	Nursery Sports Day
Thursday 11th July	Reception Sports Day
Friday 12th July	KS1 & KS2 Sports Day
Monday 15th July	Homework Projects In
Friday 19th July	Carnival Day
Tuesday 23rd July	*****LAST DAY OF TERM*****
Monday 2nd September	INSET DAY
Tuesday 3rd September	INSET DAY
Wednesday 4th September	Children return to school

Y2 Parents Tour of KS2

We would like to welcome parents and carers of Y2 children to come and have a tour of KS2, so you can get an idea of how things will be for children starting in Y3. The tour will be led by Claire Eastwood Deputy Headteacher Please do come and join us.

Dates for the diary are also on the website please do check <https://www.torridonprimary.lewisham.sch.uk/>

School Uniforms

Parents & carers can order and pay for school uniform online. Ordering couldn't be easier. Simply visit www.mapac.com/education and 'find my school' where you can search by name or postcode. Once on your dedicated school page, simply add everything you need to your basket, register if you haven't already and then check out.

How To Order

Click the uniform link via the school website <https://www.torridonprimary.lewisham.sch.uk/parents/school-uniform/>

Or visit www.mapac.com/education/parents or search online for 'Mapac find your school'.

Once on your dedicated school page, simply add everything you need to your basket, register (if you haven't already) and then check out.

Ordering Guide

Our aim is that all orders are sent out within 10 working days. During the busy summer period, it can take a little longer, so please allow us some extra time to get your order to you.

During term time

Delivery Options	Delivery Charge
Delivery to your school (this service will not operate during any school holiday this includes the 6 week summer holiday – cut off date is 14 th June for last delivery in to school 28 th June)	Free
Delivery to your home / work	Free - over £50 £3.95 - under £50

If using Option 'Delivery to your school' please note child's name/class in 'Special Instructions'.

Summer Break ** To receive your order before the start of term **

Order Deadline	Delivery Option	Delivery Charge
2 nd August 2019	Delivery to your home / work	Free - over £50 £3.95 - under £50

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Mapac on:

Class Photographs

The class photographs were completed on Friday. The proof card will be received by the school by next week. Once we receive them we will send them home and you will either need to order on-line or complete the packs. The prices range from £9.75 to £14.25 dependant on size. Please ensure you return the information by the date on the pack so we can then receive your order and cascade appropriately.

Sports Week

During the sports week which starts Monday 8th July, the children will be completing various sports & activities. There will be KS1 Football, Tennis, tri-golf and KS2 tennis. There will also be various dances such as Bollywood dancing in Y1 & Y2. There will be musical theatre/ creative dance in the early years. Y3 & Y4 will be having African/ Caribbean dancing as well as Y5 & Y6 completing street dance.

Events

