



TORRIDON NEWS

1st November 2019

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely half term break and are as ready as we are for all the exciting things that will be happening in November and December.

We launched into our Creative Arts Week on Monday and the children have had such fun singing, dancing, designing and creating some amazing pieces all based around the theme of 'Musicals'. We hope you are going to be able to join us on **Monday 4th November** from 2.30pm where the classrooms will be open to see some of the fantastic learning that has taken place this week.


Thank you for returning your questionnaires following open evenings. Your views, comments and suggestions have been extremely helpful. The admin team are busy collating the results which we will be sharing with you next week.


Best Wishes

A. George

Manda George
Headteacher



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Creative Arts Week Assembly

You are invited to our '**CREATIVE ARTS**' theme week open classrooms on
MONDAY 4TH NOVEMBER.

We have all been finding out about musicals as part of our creative arts theme week. We will be showing our learning outcomes in *our classrooms*, apart from Reception who will be showing their outcomes in the KS1 hall.

Our art room (in the year 4 hall) will be showing all our portraits that we created during our 'Identity' theme week. The background work to the portraits will be displayed on the tables of the art room, please do come and visit.

In the dining hall we have started our weather installation – the clouds are gathering in the dinner hall with raindrops of creativity falling down. All children in KS1 and KS2 have been involved in creating the clouds and the raindrops and we hope that the weather system will continue to develop over the ceiling in the months to come.

TIME: 2:30PM UNTIL 3:15PM

Some of our classes will be showcasing some of their experiences this week.

Please come and watch any of the showcases:

We are looking forward to seeing you on Monday from 2:30pm to celebrate our learning.

| TIME | CLASS / YEAR GROUP | LOCATION | MUSICAL | |
|--------|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| 2:30pm | RAZ | KS1 hall | Lion King | Dancer |
| 2:35pm | 1S | 1S | Lion King | Dancer |
| 2:40pm | 4J | Year 4 hall | Aladdin | Dancer |
| 2:50pm | 3E | Year 3 / 5 hall | Greatest Showman | Dancer |
| 3:00pm | Year 5 | Year 3 / 5 hall | Hairspray | Singing |
| 3:05pm | Resource Base | Resource Base | Oliver Twist | Movement |
| 3:10pm | Representatives from year 6 | Year 3 / 5 hall | Cats | Dance/music/ singing |

Inclusion Team Coffee Morning

We will be having our next coffee morning on **Thursday 7th November 9.00 a.m.-10.30.**

We will be looking at social stories and comic strip conversations. These resources can help children stay safe and develop a greater social understanding. Please come along to find out more about them, how to use them and how to write and make your own.



Governors Newsletter

On the website you will find the first governors newsletter for this academic year setting the priorities and vision for the Governing Body moving forward. Please do read and give us any feedback regarding its content.

Anti-Bullying Week



Anti-Bullying Week is from Monday 11th November - Friday 15th November. This year's Anti-Bullying Week theme is

"Change Starts With Us"

Reception will be celebrating Friendship Friday on 8th November and the whole school will be celebrating what makes us unique with "Odd Socks Day" on Tuesday 12th November.

Reception Workshops: Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th of November

Reception parents and carers are invited to attend a phonics workshop.

Parents and carers are invited to watch a phonics session in action and see their child participating in activities to develop their phonetic knowledge. This will be from 9:00am until 9:15am on Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th of November 2019. It will be a great opportunity for you to watch your child learning with other children, and to see how you might be able to support their phonic learning at home.

Please sign up for a workshop on the sheet outside your child's classroom.

REMINDER -FLU VACCINATION NASAL SPRAY TUESDAY 5th NOVEMBER 2019

All children in primary school will be offered flu vaccination through a nasal spray. Your child will be offered a flu vaccine that is given as a simple spray up the nose. It is painless, very quick, and serious side effects are uncommon. This vaccination programme is designed to protect your child against flu.

You will have received an email with an e-CONSENT letter attached from the NHS, this is for you to complete online, here is the link. <https://app.schoolscreener.com/ScreenerWeb/lewisham/portal#/imms/27114211000001105/100708>

All parents are requested to complete to either agree or decline this offer. Copies of the letter will be available upon request but all responses must be made online only. If you require assistance with this please ask at the office.

Creative Arts Week YR 6 Musical Cats

Year 6 have been exploring a range of dance moves during Creative Arts' Week. To a feline background, they have worked collaboratively and independently to devise dance sequences based on the musical "Cats".

They were Purrfect.

Abiela Y6



Creative Arts Week



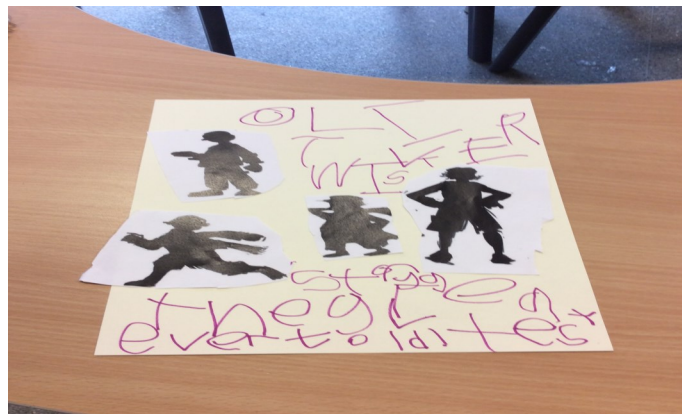
The EYFS have enjoyed 'Creative Week' and have used different tools and techniques to make their own pieces of art. We look forward to showcasing the children's learning in our exhibition on Monday 4th November 2019.



Creative Arts Week Resource Base

Children in the Resource Base have been exploring musicals for Creative Arts Week. The Green Pathway have been learning all about the “Lion King” and the Blue Pathway have been looking at “Oliver”. There has been some wonderful engagement with the topic dancing, craft making and art. Children have made posters and invitations for parents who are invited to come in and see some of their excellent learning on **Monday 4th November**.

We look forward to seeing you then.



Creative Arts Week Year 3 Dance

As part of Creative Arts' Week, Year 3 have been creating their own dance moves. Inspired by The Greatest Showman, they worked collaboratively to sequence some awesome moves.



Stars of The Week

| Class | Pupil | Class | Pupil | Class | Pupil |
|---------------|---------|-------|-----------|-------|------------|
| RAZ | Sasha | 2KL | Lucas | 5A | Jacob |
| RF | Romer | 2L | Genevieve | 5C | Marvellous |
| RL | Evan | 3E | All | 5L | All |
| Resource Base | Samuel | 3C | All | 5W | Joshua |
| 1BL | Chisom | 3V | Mason | 6C | Vinishdan |
| 1S | William | 4AM | Khadija | 6RN | Dim Sian |
| 1N | All | 4C | All | | |
| 2D | All | 4J | Naomi | | |
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Events



Blackheath Fireworks is the biggest free and unticketed display in London. This year's event is on Saturday **2nd November at 8pm**. There will be a funfair from 12 noon and food and drink from 5pm. An organised display is the safest way to watch fireworks and each year Blackheath Fireworks is enjoyed by around 80,000 people. It's a much loved family night out that's been going for over 30 years and donations are welcomed to keep the display going each year!!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

November 2019

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri |
|---|---|--|---|---|
| | | | | 1 CREATIVE ARTS WEEK INDIVIDUAL AND CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS |
| 4 CREATIVE ARTS WEEK EXHIBITION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS | 5 FLU VACCINATIONS | 6 9.15AM YEAR 2 SHARING ASSEMBLY | 7 9.00AM INCLUSION COFFEE MORNING 6.30PM YEAR 6 SATS MEETING | 8 PROSPECTIVE PARENT AND CARER VISIT |
| 11 ANTI BULLYING WEEK | 12 ANTI BULLYING WEEK 9.00AM RECEPTION PHONICS WORKSHOPS ODD SOCKS DAY | 13 ANTI BULLYING WEEK 9.15AM YEAR 1 SHARING ASSEMBLY 9.00AM RECEPTION PHONICS WORKSHOPS | 14 ANTI BULLYING WEEK 9.00AM RECEPTION PHONICS WORKSHOPS | 15 CHILDREN IN NEED |
| 18 ROAD SAFETY WEEK | 19 ROAD SAFETY WEEK | 20 RECEPTION AND YEAR 6 HEIGHT AND WEIGHT SCREENING 9.15AM YEAR 3 SHARING ASSEMBLY | 21 ROAD SAFETY WEEK | 22 PROSPECTIVE PARENT AND CARER VISIT ROAD SAFETY WEEK |
| 25 | 26 | 27 9.1AM YEAR 4 SHARING ASSEMBLY | 28 | 29 |