



TORRIDON NEWS

10th January 2020

Dear parents and carers,

Happy New Year to you all! I hope you all had a good break. The children certainly seem well rested and ready for the spring term.

We have had a fabulous start to the new term with a whole school maths week. The children were so excited to learn about and celebrate the mighty triangle. From learning about Pythagoras Theorem to triangular bunting and baking, triangle art tangrams and tetrahedrons, we have had such fun this week! It was great to see so many of you at our 'Festival of Triangles' on Friday. I hope you enjoyed the fun 'triangular foods', the drawing and making and helping us to build our whole school Sierpinski Structure which you can see below. It was a lovely way to end our first week back. Thank you to the staff team who have worked so hard this week to make maths week such a success and a particular thank you to Claudia Radu, our Maths Lead, who led the entire project.

We have many more things to look forward to this term. In addition to continued Year 3 Ukulele lesson, Year 5 Street Dance Lessons and Year 4 African Drumming Lessons, children in the Resource Base and reception will be working with professionals on dance projects this term. Year 4 children will also be having weekly cricket lessons from the Platform Cricket Programme and we will continue to take part in a range of sports tournaments and competitions with other schools across Lewisham.

We have updated the annual calendar with a range of trips and events which are taking place over the coming weeks and this is also available to you on the school website. We hope you will be able to join us for some of the workshops, sharing assemblies and performances we have planned for this term.

As always, we thank you for your ongoing support and look forward to continuing to work in partnership with you this term

Best wishes,

Manda George
Headteacher



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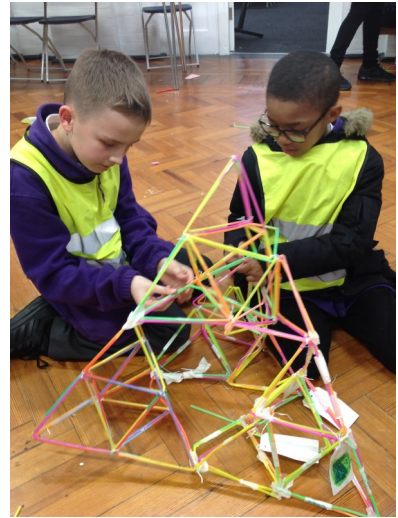
Maths Week

Resource Base

Children in the Resource Base have had a fantastic first week back and have loved Maths week - fully embracing the Festival of Triangles. In the green pathway children have enjoyed playing the Triangle in music, cooked triangular biscuits in cooking and loved making triangular bunting of trees, pizzas and sails in art. Children in the blue pathway have enjoyed making tetrahedrons, playing with tangrams and creating their own triangular superheroes and writing stories about them.

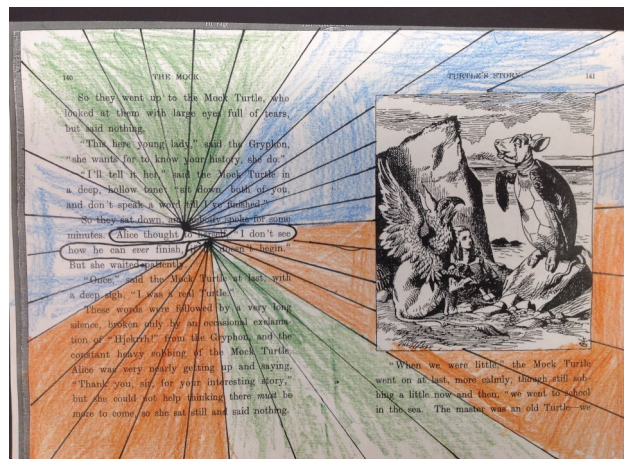


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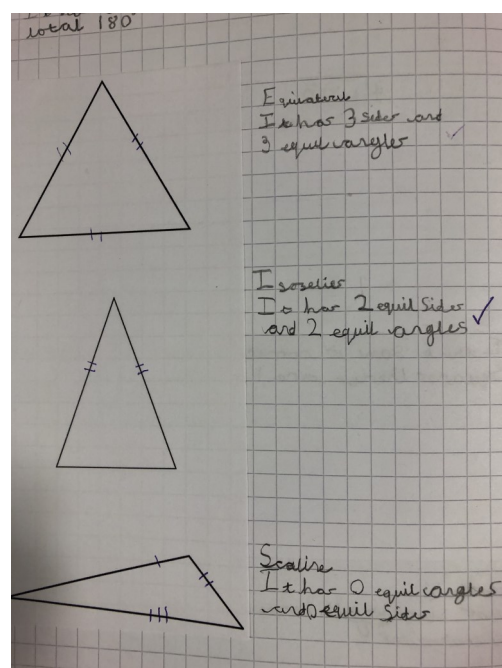
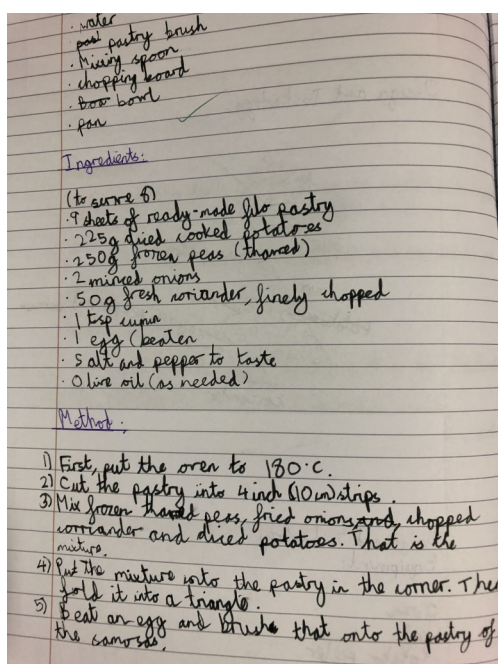
Year 3 & 4

Year 3 and 4's adventures in Triangleland involved a range of three-sided activities to deepen children's understanding and inspire them to investigate the properties of triangles wherever we find them. Year 3 wrote some fantastic stories involving triangular characters and created some beautiful artwork. Year 4, meanwhile, constructed bridges to understand how triangles are an engineering marvel. They created triangles out of circles in geometry. They also got inspired by genius mathematician Lewis Carroll, and used Alice in Wonderland to create triangular-themed black-out poetry. Three really is the magic number.



Years 5 & 6

Years 5 and 6 have had a fantastic time this week learning all about the internal angles of a triangle and how to reflect, rotate and translate triangles. Year 6 served as fantastic role models when they visited Reception and Nursery earlier this week to support the younger children with their maths week learning, and we all enjoyed cooking triangular shaped food.



Amazon Wish List



A huge thank you to everyone that has gifted books to Torridon Primary School through our Amazon Wish List.

We've had a great time sorting all of the exciting books, and they have now been shared in classrooms across the school for our children to enjoy. Our Wish List books have been given a special sticker to celebrate that they are a gift to the school. Look out for these in the books that your children borrow from school

Our Wish List is still active if you would like to buy us a book and can be found below:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/dl/inwite/h9CHBy?ref=wl_share

If you would like to source books second hand or elsewhere, feel free to do so. Please send all books to the school office address: Torridon Primary School, Hazelbank Road, SE6 1TG

If you have any enquiries, please email: torridonbookappeal@gmail.com

Resource Base Coffee Morning

We are planning our next Resource Base Coffee Morning on Wednesday 22nd January from 9.30 - 11.00. It would be great to see many of you there. As always, there will be a chance to get involved in some learning in the classroom, followed by a chance to meet with Tom, Ana and other parents and carers to share and discuss.

Best wishes,

Tom, Ana and the team



PTA Notices

Looking ahead to the spring, 3 places have just become available on the Torridon Team for the Vitality Half-Marathon on Sunday 1st March. It's a great way to support the school, boost your fitness and run in one of London's biggest races past some of the city's most iconic landmarks. Please email Emily (ehsteadman@gmail.com) if you are interested in running!



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Notices

KS1 FILM Night – Save the Date

We will be hosting a movie night for children in Key Stage 1 on the evening of Thursday 30th January (from 6pm). Look out for letters in book bags next week for further information.

Reception Admissions for 2020/2021

Just a reminder that the deadline for all primary school applications for starting September 2020 is fast approaching on **Wednesday 15th January 2020**.

Your applications must be made online at <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions/app?page=Login&service=page>

Year 1 Phonics

Workshops for parents & carers on Monday 13th January at 6pm.

Year 4 Multiplication tables check

Information meeting for parents & carers on Thursday 16th January at either 9am or 6pm.

Neurodiversity Drop-In



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When: Friday, 7th February 2020

Time: 10am to 12pm

Where: Drumbeat Downham, Roundtable Road, BR1 5LE

We would like to welcome any interested parents to our support group. This will be an informal session for parents and carers of children with an ASD that either have a diagnosis themselves or feel that they have similar social communication differences as their children. We want to create a safe place for you to come and meet other parents in the same situation, share your stories, and think through how we could develop support for you as your children navigate school and the social demands of life.



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