

TORRIDON NEWS

31st January 2020

Dear parents and carers,

It was lovely to see so many of you at our Key Stage One Film Night this week. The children really enjoyed the film and the popcorn went down a treat. Dates for Key Stage Two film nights will be issued in the coming weeks.

I am delighted to inform you that, thanks to a successful bid from Emily Steadman and the PTA, we have been awarded a grant of \pounds 13,500 from the Greener City Fund. This will enable us to continue to develop the hedging and tree planting round the perimeter of the school. Huge thanks to Emily and the PTA for all their hard work in putting together the application for this funding.

At the PTA open meeting on Thursday, several of you raised concerns about dangerous parking outside the school at drop off and pick up times. This continues to be a serious issue which we need to work together to resolve. I am sending an e mail to you all, encouraging you to lobby our ward councillors for support to improve the situation. Please take the time to e mail on behalf of the school. The more of us that speak up about the problem, the more likely we are to get the support we need.

Parent and carer open evenings are coming up. Please make an appointment to see your child's class teacher on **Tuesday 11th** or **Thursday 13th February.** We hope to see you then. Best wishes,

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Manda George[,] Headteacher



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Resource Baser

In the Green pathway parents enjoyed being part of our Speech and Language session, where the focus was Attention, Listening and Sequencing , using visuals and colourful semantics.



Greener City Fund Project

Torridon Wildlife Corridor

Eriends of Torridon PTA, working in partnership with Torridon Primary School, Clean Air for Catford and Harwards Gardening Services, have been awarded \pounds 13,500 to green the playground at Torridon School in Catford. The project will complete a wildlife corridor around the school, restoring nature to a currently barren paved area.

https://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/environment/parks-green-spaces-and-biodiversity/ greener-city-fund/community-green-space-grants-2020#acc-i-60158



Stars of the Week					
Class	Pupil	Class	Pupil	Class	Pupil
RAZ	Bea	2KL	Schavar	5A	Jeremy
RF	Faizah	2L	Akshana	5C	Malachi
RL	Lenny	3E	Fraser	5L	Terrell
Resource	Nickai	3C	Alina	5W	Sophyiaa
Base					
1BL	Joshua	3V	Jerush	6C	Santisz
1S	Annaliese	4AM	Shradha	6RN	Ragath
1N	Kiron	4C	Taner		
2D	Martha	4J	Hau-Suan		

Reading Week 24th – 28th February 2020

We are so pleased to announce our exciting reading week that will take place in the first week back after half term. Reading for pleasure is well known to boost our children's learning in all areas. Reading week is a great opportunity to celebrate and share our passion for reading and books.



We will be taking part in Lewisham Primary Book Awards which has a

shortlist of fantastic books, engaging children's literature. Each class will take part in curriculum activities across the week, based around a text from the shortlist. Books will then be shared across the school and our children will have the opportunity to vote for their favourite book.

More information about the Torridon Primary Book Awards can be found at: https://www.moonlaneink.co.uk/primary-book-awards-2020

There will be exciting events including:

Bedtime stories on Wednesday 26th February from 3.30 – 4.30pm for all children, parents and carers. Invitations to class read-alongs will also be sent out very soon. Watch this space for more information. We look forward to sharing our love of reading together.



Sports

Saturday League Football - Saturday 25th January

The Torridon girls' team played their matches at Blackheath on Saturday morning starting with a friendly against first placed Coopers Lane. It was an extremely challenging match for our girls who had to defend for the majority of the game. Although they found themselves 5-0 down at half time, they showed outstanding bravery and commitment to play through the second half without conceding a goal. Melissa made some incredible saves throughout the game and stood her ground for the opposing penalty which went over the bar. The Coopers Lane girls tried their best but couldn't score a single goal in the second half! Talia and Faith blocked, intercepted and tackled at every opportunity given. The second game was a competitive league fixture against Stillness. Our girls were the dominant force in the first half but conceded a goal against the run of play to go 1-0 down into the half time break. Again, they showed their determination in the second half and their hard work proved effective when team captain Willow scored the goal to level the match. A well deserved draw to finish the day off. Final scores: Coopers Lane 5-0 Torridon & Stillness 1-1 Torridon. Well done girls!



Y3&4 Maths Fit Festival - Conisborough College

23 children from years 3 & 4 represented Torridon Primary School on Thursday to participate in the annual Maths Fit Festival at Conisborough College. They split up into four teams and took part in a rotation of 6 events - all active, and all about maths! The children had an amazing day and represented our school exceptionally well. The games they played included a maths treasure hunt, problem solving relays, a workout against the clock and a maths target throwing activity. Each and every child contributed



their maths and physical skills in all their games whilst earning stickers for respect, honesty, determination, passion, self-belief and teamwork.



Well done to all our Torridon children for their efforts and also for stepping outside their comfort zone and trying something new. For most, it was their first experience of a tournament environment competing with other schools and they were all superstars!

KS1 Movie Night

On Thursday evening, we had our first film night as Torridon Primary School. It was wonderful to see so many children and their families enjoy the hit film, Toy Story 4. We had the big screen up, popcorn and juice available to help create a real cinema atmosphere. What a fantastic way to spend a Thursday evening!

If you fancy coming along to one of our film nights, we'll be hosting another one for children in Year 3 and 4 next term!



"We had a amazing film night. Thank you to Torridon stores for donating our popcorn and the parents who helped us have a fantastic evening. We raised £170.00 for the playground " The school council.

Notices

From January 2020 Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust are making changes to our Children's Healthy Lifestyle programme (previously the MEND Programme) which is run across the borough of Lewisham. To ensure that the service which they deliver is tailor-made to the community which they serve, therefore they are seeking feedback from families who live in Lewisham.

They would be grateful if families could go on the following link and answer some questions.

<u>https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/H69ZKLT</u> The survey takes approximately two minutes to answer and as mentioned will support them to deliver an effective service.

Please respond by 5pm on Wednesday 5th February 2020.



PTA Notices

Vitality Big Half Marathon on Sunday 1st March - please do generously support the fantastic efforts of the 20 runners on Team Torridon! All money raised will go towards the new playground and outdoor spaces. Link to fundraising site:

https://www.gofundme.com/f/cxswwz-torridon-primaryschool?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=copy_linktip&utm_campaign=p_cp+share-sheet



Lost scooter

Dear parents/carers,

A light blue scooter with led lights was taken from the bike park next to the Year 3&5 block last week. Could you please check that you have not taken this by mistake, or alternatively if you have any information please contact the office ASAP.

Thank you.

Holiday Clubs

Half-term Fun

Full day drama, dance and singing holiday courses for 4–10 year olds

The Ice Queen February half-term Superheroes Easter holidays

Book today on **020 7255 9120** or visit **perform.org.uk/holidays**

BLACKHEATH (17TH - 19TH FEB) BLACKHEATH (6TH - 8TH APR)

Building Fun

Try a FREE drama class Drama, dance and singing for 4–12s Visit perform.org.uk/free to book a FREE class

Perform Hither Green Thursdays at 4 m and 5 m - Lochaber Hall, 2 Manor Lane Terrace, Hither Green, London, SE13 5QL

Perform Forest Hill Wednesdays at 4pm - Forest Hill Quaker Meeting House. 34 Sunderland Road, Forest Hill, London, SE23 2QA

Perform Beckenham Saturdays at 9.30am and 11.15am - Beckenham Public Hall, 4 Bromley Road, Beckenham, Beckenham, BR3 5JB

Perform Brockley Thursdays at 4pm - St Andrew's Centre, Brockley Road, Brockley, London, SE4 2SA

Perform Blackheath Mondraws at 4nm and 5nm - St Michael and All Angels Church Hall, 1 Pond Road, Blackheath, London, SE3 9JL



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Holiday Clubs



Activity camp for children aged 6 - 13 years old. Providing you with professionally coached indoor and outdoor activities such as football, cricket, drama & creative arts. 8-6pm at £25 per day or £100 per week

10:30 – 3:30pm at £15 per day or £60 per week Payments can be made via bank card or cash on site. NEW Childcare Vouchers, bank transfer and Paypal now available. All cheques must be made out to 'London Youth Events'.

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FOR ANY ENQUIRES CONTACT US 07506870983 LONDONYOUTHEVENTS@ICLOUD.COM 8AM - 6PM: £25 Bring a packed lunch or we can provide one for £4.00 (Includes a sandwich, fruit, 8AM - 3:30PM: £20 Ju:30AM - 6PM: £20 Ju:30AM - 6PM: £20

PAYPAL PAYMENTS MADE TO LONDON YOUTH EVENTS EMAIL ADDRESS

Fun filled sessions are provided by qualified EMAIL Al and DBS checked sports coaches!

Payments must be made at the beginning of the day and not at collection.

All payments are made to LONDON YOUTH EVENTS. New payment details for Bank Transfer and Child Care Vouchers are available upon request.

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