



Torridon
Primary School

TORRIDON NEWS

Friday 6th March 2020

Dear parents and carers,

I need to start this week's newsletter with a massive congratulations, thank you and well done to our amazing team of marathon runners who completed the Vitality Half Marathon last weekend. Thanks to their dedication and hard work and to your fantastic support, we have raised over £4,000! The money will go towards playground development. Thank you to all who donated and to those who turned out in force to support our runners.

We also had cause to celebrate on Wednesday evening when our newly formed dance group, 'UNITY' performed for the very first time at the Catford Broadway Theatre as part of the Lewisham Live Festival. They gave an uplifting and inspirational performance and did Torridon proud! Thank you to Deme Rocco (specialist dance teacher) who worked so hard to choreograph an amazing piece for the children and to the wonderful team of dancers who gave up many of their lunchtimes for extra rehearsals.

We had a very soggy World Book Day yesterday but it was lovely to see so many of the children (and staff) in costume. Thank you to those who donated books for our reading hub. There is still a chance for you to donate if you have not already done so. You can bring books into the school office or donate through our Amazon Wishlist if you prefer.

Monday 9th March is the deadline for our spring bulb competition. Sara Ribeiro from The London Children's Flower Society will be visiting to judge the entries. Please bring your beautiful blooms in on Monday morning.

On **Friday 13th March**, we will be raising money for Sports Relief. Children can come to school dressed in sportswear and donate £1.00 to support a range of charity projects in the UK and across the world. See www.sportrelief.com for more details of the range of organisations who will benefit from this year's fundraising efforts.

Thank you do much to all of you for your ongoing support. It is hugely appreciated.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Manda Georger
Headteacher



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Stars of the Week

Class	Pupil	Class	Pupil	Class	Pupil
RAZ	Nanshika	2KL	Osei	5A	Enzo
RF	Arthur	2L	Adam	5C	Mattia
RL	Nye	3E	Melika	5L	Osman
Resource Base	Meritt	3C	Benjamin	5W	Justin
1BL	Sophie	3V	Maram	6C	Whole Class
1S	Joseph	4AM	Phaeza	6RN	Gurpal
1N	Kyran	4C	Joshua. H		
2D	Yasmine	4J	Amari		

Unity Dance Company



Dance is going from strength to strength at Torridon. Unity Dance Company made their debut at "Lewisham Live 2020" on Wednesday evening at Catford Broadway along with 13 other Primary and Secondary Schools. The festival is a celebration of Dance and Music both in Education and the Community.

The performers should be so proud of their performance and demonstrated a real sense of teamwork and support for all those taking part.

Well done and many thanks to all the parents, carers and staff who came along to support the event.

World Book Day

We had great fun dressing up as our favourite characters for World Book Day yesterday. Thank you for all the books you donated.

You can still donate via our Amazon Wishlist;



https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/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



Tate Britain



Year Four had a fabulous time at the Tate Britain on Thursday 27th February, and were very excited to see their photographs on display with those of thousands of other London school children. This was part of Steve McQueen's Year Three project which involved thousands of pupils across London being photographed in their classes last year. We are very grateful to all the parents and carers who gave up their time to accompany us on the day.

Despite the cold, it was a very special day for the children and one which was thoroughly enjoyed by us all. In the coming weeks, the children will be completing follow up projects and activities in their art lessons and once the exhibition is over, we look forward to receiving the photographs back at school.

New Reading Space

Dear parents and carers,

Torridon Primary would like to create a new reading space within the school. We would like to hear from any parents, librarians, publishers or carpenters who would want to join the team and be part of the working party developing a new reading space for Torridon.

We will be holding a meeting on **Monday 9th March** from 12.30 -13.30pm. Please come along to share your ideas and get involved!

Thank you for your continued support, the PTA.



EYFS Coffee Morning

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Kate Read would like to invite all parents and carers to a coffee morning which will be held on **Tuesday 10th March at 9am.**

This will be a great opportunity to all meet, talk about our shared vision for our Early Years children at Torridon and also answer any questions that you may have.



Notices

SEND Services

Please follow the link below for advice and news by email about Lewisham SEND Services.

<https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/socialcare/children/special-educational-needs-and-disabilities/get-send-information-advice-and-news-by-email>

Secondary School Places

Please remember to accept your secondary school offers by **Monday 16th March**.

The following link has the key guidance:

<https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/education/schools/school-admission/applying-to-start-secondary-school/offers-of-secondary-school-places>

School Clubs

After school clubs and lunch time clubs have availability up until the end of the term. Please log onto ParentPay to make your selection and to book your child into one of the clubs as outlined below. Clubs will run until week commencing Monday 30th March 2020.

Lunchtime Clubs —£2 per session (30 minutes sessions) as follows:

Club	Day	Cost	Available to
Comic Book Club	Tuesday	4 sessions - £8.00	Years 1-6
Boys Dance Club	Tuesday	4 sessions - £8.00	Years 3-6
Art Club	Wednesday	4 sessions - £8.00	Years 3-6
Yoga Club	Friday	4 sessions - £8.00	Years 1-4

After School Clubs — £4 per session (1hour sessions) from 3.30pm – 4.30pm as follows:

Club	Day	Cost	Available to
Ballet	Monday	4 sessions - £16.00	Years 1-6
Multisports	Monday	4 sessions - £16.00	Years 1-4
Cheer Leading	Tuesday	4 sessions - £16.00	Years 1-6
Craft Club	Tuesday	4 sessions - £16.00	Years 1-3
Football	Tuesday	4 sessions - £16.00	Years 3-6
Drama / Musical Club	Tuesday	4 sessions - £16.00	Years 1-6
Street Dance	Thursday	4 sessions - £16.00	Years 3-4
Games Club (board games)	Thursday	4 sessions - £16.00	Years 1-6
Cricket	Thursday	4 sessions - £16.00	Years 1-6

Vitality Big Half Team

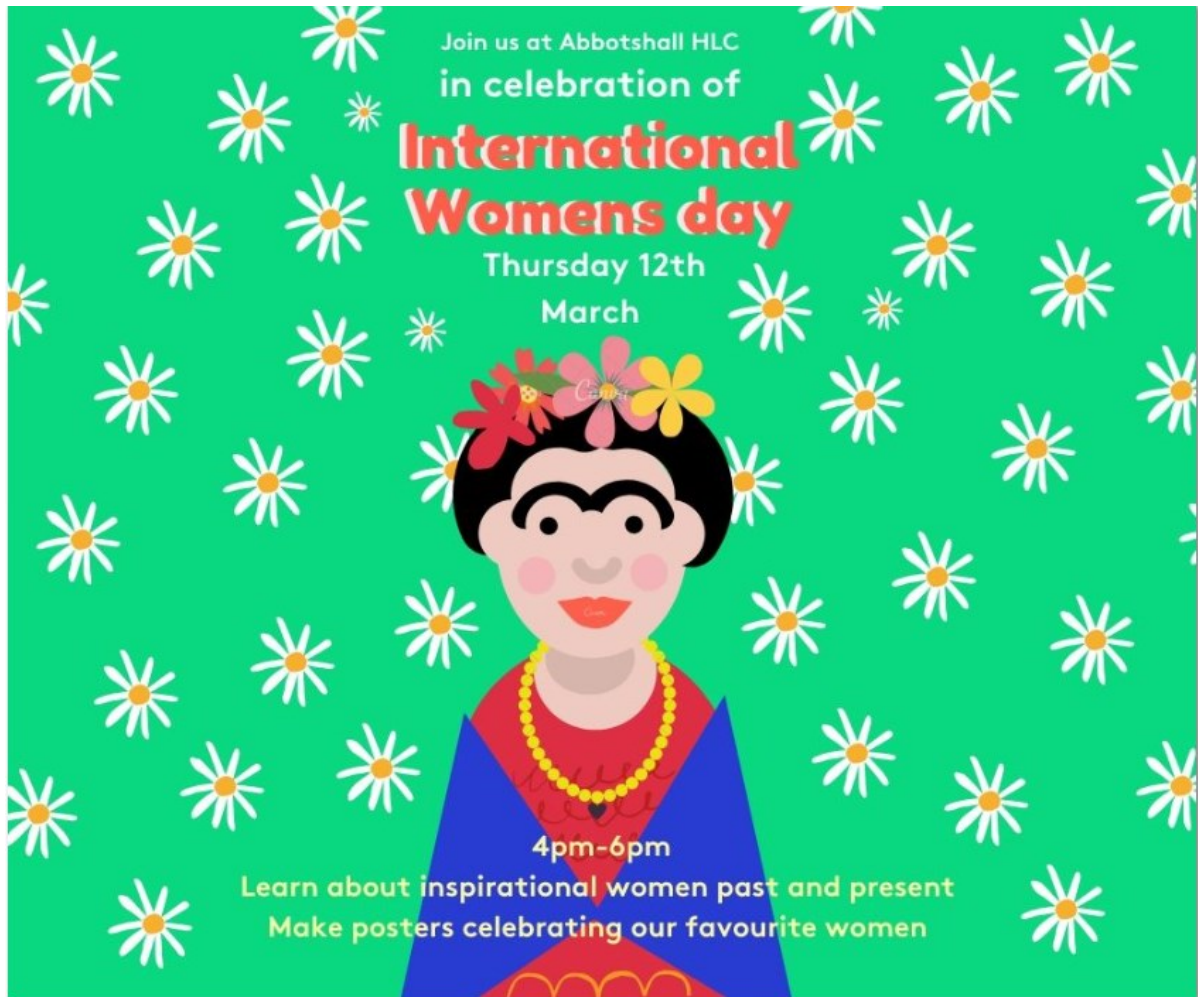


On Sunday 1st March we had 20 determined Torridon runners take part in the Vitality Big Half. All of which successfully crossing the finish line after a 13.1 mile run, raising over £4000. All funds raised will go towards the regeneration of the playground and outdoor space.

A BIG thank you to all who took part, Emily & Tom Steadman, Hayley Farrant, Gareth Evans, Simon & Carly Rushworth, Alys Exley, Felix Banda, Daniel Perkins, Gary Carpenter, Catherine Vailahi, Venease Morgan, Natalie Blake, Tamico Kellman, Kerri-Jane Lamb, Melissa

Channer, Flora Patten, Dot Hallan, Ben Larpent. Well done from all at Torridon Primary. Thank you.

International Womens Day



Coronavirus

We held assemblies this week to talk to the children about Coronavirus, to dispel some of the myths and to remind them about good hygiene practices. Please reinforce this at home.

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