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Dear parents and carers,

It was so wonderful to see children dressed in colours and outfits which represent their cultural heritage. We have had a fantastic day celebrating our rich and varied family histories. Thank you for all your support in sharing photos, stories and videos with us. We are looking forward to seeing some of the wonderful creative outcomes displayed around the school.

Don't forget Friday is an INSET day so we will break up for half term on **Thursday 27th May.**

Have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes

Manda George Headteacher

Diversity Day 2021





PLAYGROUNDFUNDRAISING TARGET SMASHED



A massive congrats and thanks to our intrepid runners, race volunteers and supporters - both those who came out last Sunday morning to cheer and those who donated to the fundraiser. School spirit was in full force! With Sandhurst School taking part as well, there was a fantastic community atmosphere.

We must also say a HUGE thank you to Emily Steadman and her team who worked tirelessly to organise the event and to co-ordinate all the runners, marshalls and volunteers on the day!

Brilliantly, we have exceeded our ambitious fundraising target of £5000! Added to the recent crowdfunder, last year's Christmas Fair and Vitality Big Half amongst other initiatives, the school community has raised over £20,000 (+£16k in grant funding) in the last three years! We have also been very lucky to have the support of local businesses. A special mention here to David Oakman Butcher's on Muirkirk Road, who sponsored our 10k and half-marathon runners.

Thanks to these amazing efforts, Friends of Torridon PTA and the school are absolutely delighted to be able to install the Trim Trail, the Jungle Climber and more this summer - adding to the transformation of the outdoor space. In the meantime, do check out the spring growth of the saplings around the ball court and enjoy the lovely new Street Trees along Torridon and Hazelbank.

GO TORRIDON!! We look forward to more live events next year.

Dates For Your Diary		
Friday 28 th May	INSET DAY	
Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June	HALF TERM	
Monday 7 th June	Back to School	
Week beginning 7 th June	NSPCC Speak Out, Stay Safe Workshops	
7 th , 14 th , 21 st and 28 th June	Year 6 Smart Choices Workshops	
Wednesday 23 rd June	Y5 Art Workshops with Sedgehill Academy	
Week beginning 28 th June	Assessment Week	
Friday 23 rd July	Last Day of Term	

Zero Carbon Project Launch



On Thursday, 16 year 5 pupils took part in a zero carbon workshop organised by RAFT (Retrofit Action for Tomorrow). They carried out research into the history of the school buildings and explored how efficient the buildings are. This is very exciting as this research will inform the zero carbon plan for the school. Nidhi Shah from RAFT said. "I was really touched by the children's enthusiasm and curiosity. And am really grateful for their participation". The pupils are now really excited to share their findings with the rest of year 5.

"We went underground and went to the basement. It was packed with humid pipes, decaying walls, cupboards with electrical intakes, coal chutes, blocked chimneys and cobwebs! It was super mysterious and fun!"

Singing with Lewisham Music

Here are some exciting extra-curricular opportunities for children to sing with Lewisham Music. Please follow the links for more details:

Live Voices @ the Fellowship

Leading on from the success of the Lewisham Zoooom Choirs, Lewisham Music are offering all enthusiastic singers in Y2-8 the chance to apply for Live Voices, the new 'in person' choirs at the Fellowship & Star in Bellingham on Tuesdays from the 8th June, 4.15-5pm for Years 2-4 and at 5.30-6.30pm for Years 5-8.

Please follow this link for more details and to sign up:

www.lewishammusic.org/live-voices-fellowship

Lewisham Zoooom Choir

Lewisham Zoooom Choir will continue Fridays at 4.30pm, and this will be for everyone in Y2-8. The Zoooom Choir will continue to be offered free of charge and new members are always welcome. To sign up, please visit:

https://www.lewishammusic.org/onlinelearninglab/getlearning/learnwithus/zoooom-choirs/

Parent Governor Elections

Thank you to those who have already submitted your statements expressing an interest in becoming a parent governor. It has been brought to our attention that there was a typo in the email address provided so we will be extending the closing date until **MIDDAY on MONDAY MAY 24TH**.

Please submit your statement to: governors@torridonprimary.lewisham.sch.uk

VIKING BREAD

In year 4 this week, the children enjoyed learning about the Vikings and the different food that they would eat. We then made Viking bread and drizzled it with honey. How did we cut the bread? We tore it with our hands just like the Vikings would!

If you want to feast like a Viking you can follow the recipe below.

Ingredients:

- 384g wholemeal flour
- 256g plain all purpose flour
- 128g porridge oats
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1 tsp salt
- 472ml water
- Topping:
- 42g porridge oats
- honey



Instructions:

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- 1. Mix all of the ingredients together.
- 2. Knead until a dough like consistency.
 - Place the dough onto a baking tray (lined with baking paper)
 - Sprinkle the porridge oats on top.
 - Bake in the oven for 1 hour at 190°c
 - Take out of the oven and leave to cool.
 - Rip the bread apart like the Vikings would.
 - Drizzle the bread with honey and enjoy.

Keeping In Touch

Please remember to let us know if you or a member of your household receives a positive test result for COVID-19. We have a dedicated phone number for you to call if you need to inform us of a confirmed case within your household—**07376 358065**.



We also have a dedicated email address for any communication related to COVID-19. You can contact us at the following email address: <u>covid@torridonprimary.lewisham.sch.uk</u>



Community Day

#LoveBeckenhamPlacePark **Community Day** Prizes to be won!

Sunday 30 May, 10.30am-4.30pm A fun day with FREE activities for all! Explore the park in new ways and come together to love our park and nature.

Free activities

- Paddle boarding and other sports
- Forest School inspired craft activities
- Bike check ups
- Adventure story telling walks in nature (11am, 1pm, 3pm, sign up on the day)
- 🥑 River clean-up volunteering
- Mordic Walking taster sessions
- MCT walks for new parents
- Try bird watching with the RSPB
- 🔰 Discover nature, try geocaching
- Pop up recycling centre for harder to recycle items e.g. crisp packets, small electrical items, light bulbs
- Community stalls... and much more...

Visit www.beckenhamplacepark.com for more details, to book paddle boarding, river clean-up and Nordic Walking, and to sign up for park updates including the development of the east side.

Stay connected



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Stars of the Week



Congratulations to these superstars for some amazing learning this week!

Nursery	Novarna	4AS	Amayah
-	Aeirren		
RF	Phaedra	4C	Youel
RL	Cairo	4V	Joshua
RS	Ottilie	5A	Romel
1N	Nanshika	5C	Dora
15	Abisan	5W	Jacob
2A	Gabby	6B	Enyer
2D	Tavarie	6C	Laura
2L	Radiatoulaye	6N	Rushawn
3C	Rocco	6R	Priya
3J	Martha	Resource Base	Joshua
3L	Nathaniel		Julia

Cricket Camp



Westminster City School Masterclasses

