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10th September 2021

Dear parents and carers,

It was wonderful to see so many of you at my welcome meetings yesterday. I hope you found them helpful and the information was useful. Next week, parents and carers in years 1 to 6 will have the chance to meet with your child's class teacher for a short introduction to the team, an overview of the year group curriculum and expectations and an opportunity to ask any questions you may have. If you are unable to make the meeting, you will be able to access the recording via your child's MS Teams account and we will send the slides out after the meeting.

Curriculum leaflets have been uploaded to MS Teams. They will give you a flavour of the exciting topics for this term and some of the learning which will be taking place. Reception families will have received this information via email. We plan to run an information session for those of you new to MS Teams in the coming weeks.

Your children will have come home with a reading book this week. Please make sure that you support them with reading every evening and bringing their reading records in to school every day.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Manda George
Headteacher



Breakfast Club Volunteers



We all know how important it is that children have a healthy and nutritious breakfast at the start of the day in order to get them ready for learning. We are pleased to be able to offer a limited number of breakfast club places to our children to help them get a good start to their day.

Do you have any time so spare in the mornings? We are calling for volunteers to help with our breakfast club provision. In return, we can offer a **FREE** breakfast club place for your child.

If you have some time to spare and would like to volunteer to support our breakfast club team, please contact Jennie Stephenson (School Business Manager) for more details
admin@torridonprimary.lewisham.sch.uk

Safer Parking

Please remember to park safely and with regard for our local residents. DO NOT park:

- On the yellow lines or zig-zags outside school
- On the pavement
- Across residents' driveways

We need to work together to ensure that we are keeping everyone safe, respecting our community members and looking after the environment.

Ideally, we would like to see you walking, scootering or cycling to school. Why not plan to start in 'Bike to School Week'?



Bike to School Week 2021

27 September – 1 October

Year 1 to 6 Home Learning

Look out for this half term's home learning on your child's MS Teams Account.

Three Cheers for Team Torridon in the Vitality Big Half



Huge kudos to our three parents - Mel Channer, Anthony Goffe and Peter Faiers - who ran for Team Torridon in this year's postponed Vitality Big Half Marathon, on Sunday, 22nd August. It was fantastic they were able to carry on the Big Half tradition, following the success of the Torridon/Sandhurst 10k/half-marathon back in May. On top of their amazing running efforts, they raised £268! **The fundraising page**

- <https://gofund.me/9c6cea3e> - is still open if you wish to support

their achievement. All funds will go towards improving the children's school experience. Friends of Torridon PTA plan to get a team together for next year's Vitality and to hopefully put on another local race. All interested runners, organisers, helpers please contact Emily S at 07970 538 657 or ehsteadman@gmail.com.

Meet Your Child's Class Teacher

We look forward to seeing you at the meetings with your child's class teacher next week. Please see below for the timetable. Meetings will take place via MS Teams. If you need any help accessing your child's Teams account, please contact the school office –

admin@torridonprimary.lewisham.sch.uk

	Monday 13 th September	Tuesday 14 th September	Wednesday 15 th September	Thursday 16 th September	Friday 17 th September
9:30 – 10:00am	1N Nikki	2L Lizzie	3S Shally	4CH Caroline	5CY Craigie
10:00am – 10:30am	1G Gemma	2G Gwen	3A Alice	4CW Carmen	5W Whitley
10:30 – 11:00am	1BC Boe/Carlie	2S Suraiya	3L Lucille	4V Vivian	5CR Claudia
11:00 – 11:30am	6C Claudia	Resource Base – Green Ana			
11:30 – 12:00pm	6A Ada	Resource Base – Blue Wahida			
12:00 – 12:30pm	6P Piers				

PE UNIFORM

In response to feedback from parents and carers, we will be expanding the PE uniform list to include plain white T-shirts, skirts and purple shorts or jogging bottoms.

Many thanks for your suggestions.

Stars of the week



Congratulations to these superstars for some amazing learning this week!

Nursery	Everyone in Early Years Foundation Stage for settling in so well.	4CH	Shahan
RF		4CW	Sangheeth
RL		4V	Grace
RP		5CR	Benjamin
1BC	Rohan	5CY	Ava
1N	Ellie-May	5W	Beatrice
1G	Fatima	6A	Phaeza
2G	Gemma	6C	Aaliyah
2L	Otis	6P	Joshua
2S	Maya	Resource Base	Joshua K
3A	Cairo		Merritt
3L	Radiatoulaye		Julian
3S	3S		Jesse

GREEN TEAM MEMBERS WANTED

WE NEED YOUR HELP! Last autumn, the children, together with staff members, planted 350 new trees around the ball court, and we also got beautiful new Street Trees outside the school. A Green Team of parents has been supporting the school in keeping the young trees well-watered and looked after. Please contact Emily S on 07970 538 657 or ehsteadman@gmail.com if you can help with watering or weeding, however occasionally.



Many thanks!

Year 6 Secondary Transfer Meeting

As the year 6 children begin their final year at primary school, it is time to consider where they will continue their education next September. The borough recommends that **applications for secondary schools are submitted by Friday 22nd October 2021**. All applications are submitted online through the Lewisham website.

We will be holding meetings via MS Teams on **Tuesday 14th September at 5.00pm** and **Thursday 23rd September at 2.00pm** to discuss the application process and to answer any questions you may have.

We hope all our year 6 parents and carers will be able to join us.

Secondary School Visits



Open Events
@ St Matthew Academy

Open Mornings
14th - 16th &
28th - 30th September
All at 9:15am - 11:00am

Open Evening
Tuesday 21st September
4:30pm - 7:30pm

ST MATTHEW ACADEMY
let your light shine

St Joseph's Vale, Blackheath, London, SE3 0XX
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Our GCSE and A Level results are consistently above national averages and over 90% of our Year 13 will start university in 2021, with almost half joining top Russell Group universities.

See for yourself at our open days this autumn
Book now at: www.wcsch.com



Discover St Dunstan's

WINNER
INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS OF THE YEAR 2020

Whole School Open Day
Saturday 25 September 2021
9.00am - 3.00pm

St Dunstan's College

Book your place at
www.stdunstans.org.uk
Stanstead Road, London, SE6 4TY

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:
covid@torridonprimary.lewisham.sch.uk

Dates For Your Diary

Week beginning 13 th September	Whole class teacher welcome meetings for parents and carers (Years 1-6) via MS Teams
Tuesday 14 th September	Year 6 Secondary Transfer Meeting for parents and carers at 5pm
Week beginning 20 th September	Year 4 swimming lessons start
Thursday 23 rd September	Year 6 Secondary Transfer Meeting for parents and carers at 2pm
Monday 27 th September to Friday 1 st October	Bike to School Week
Tuesday 28 th September	Launch of Black History Month Events – Assemblies and Theatre Workshops
Friday 8 th October	Soundabout Music Workshops (Resource Base)
Thursday 14 th October	Individual and Class photographs
Tuesday 19 th and Wednesday 20 th October	Individual parent and carer meetings with class teachers
Friday 22 nd October	INSET DAY
Monday 24 th October to Friday 29 th October	HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Monday 1 st November	BACK TO SCHOOL

Torridon Term Dates

AUTUMN TERM 2021	
INSET DAY	Wednesday 1 st September 2021
First Day of Autumn Term	Thursday 2 nd September 2021
INSET DAY	Friday 22 nd October 2021
HALF TERM HOLIDAY	Monday 25 th - Friday 29 th October 2021
INSET DAY	Friday 3 rd December 2021
Last Day of Autumn Term	Friday 17 th December 2021
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	
	Monday 20 th December 2021 – Monday 3 rd January 2022
SPRING TERM 2022	
First Day of Spring Term	Tuesday 4 th January 2022
INSET DAY	Friday 11 th February 2022
HALF TERM HOLIDAY	Monday 14 th - Friday 18 th February 2022
Last Day of Spring Term	Friday 1 st April 2022
EASTER HOLIDAY	
	Monday 4 th - Monday 18 th April 2022
SUMMER TERM 2022	
First Day of Summer Term	Tuesday 19 th April 2022
BANK HOLIDAY	Monday 2 nd May 2022
HALF TERM HOLIDAY	Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June 2022
INSET DAY	Friday 24 th June 2022
Last Day of Summer Term	Friday 22 nd July 2022
Children do not come to school on INSET Days	

Community Events

ARTS & CRAFTS CLUB

ST LUKE'S CHURCH DOWNHAM

WEDNESDAYS
4:00PM - 5:30PM

15TH SEPTEMBER
22ND SEPTEMBER
29TH SEPTEMBER

6TH OCTOBER
13TH OCTOBER
20TH OCTOBER

Come and use your imagination to draw, paint, create and make.

Accessible for all ages and abilities
This is an open session, you can make and create whatever you want.
Children must be accompanied by an adult.

We ask for a £1.50 donation to cover the cost of resources.
Everything you make can be taken home.

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CATFORD WANDERERS SPORTS CLUB LONDON SE6 3NU



OPEN DAY
Saturday 11th September



Join us for a free trial session
Contact: southlondongirlsfa@gmail.com

UEFA & FA Licenced
Saturday mornings - Ages 8-13

Lyndhurst Primary School,
Grove Lane,
SE5 8SN.
5-min walk from Denmark Hill
station

Lewisham Children
and Family Centres
www.lewishamcfc.org.uk



Positive Approaches to Parenting

It's rewarding and enjoyable being a parent.
It's not always easy -
Triple P provides positive approaches to parenting.

Evelyn Children & Family Centre
231 Grove Street, Deptford SE8 3PZ
Starts Wednesday 22nd September
10.00am - 11.30am



During this course you will learn:

- a range of tried, trusted strategies
- proven ways to help you develop a positive relationship with your child
- ways to manage behaviour.

Age group: 2 - 10 years

To book your place

email: enquiries@lewishamcfc.org.uk
Text or leave a message: 07377 724243

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