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17<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you to those who attended our 'Meet the Teacher' meetings this week. I know that MS Teams is no replacement for a face to face conversation but I hope you found them helpful and informative. As always, if you have any follow up questions or suggestions, please email us and one of the team will get back to you.

Children are looking very smart in their new PE uniforms – thank you. Please make sure that all items of clothing are labelled with your child's name so they don't get mislaid.

We are so excited to be relaunching after school clubs again next week. It will be wonderful to see children enjoying some extra-curricular activities again. If you have any questions, please speak to Claire Eastwood (Deputy Headteacher).

If you were unable to attend the Year 6 secondary transfer meeting last week, Richard will be running a repeat session on Thursday at 2pm. He will be available to offer some guidance and to answer any questions you may have.

Some of our wonderful school governors will be visiting on Wednesday morning next week. They will be with senior staff on the gates so please come and say hello so they can introduce themselves to you.

Have a great weekend

Best wishes

Manda George  
Headteacher



# After School Clubs

After School Clubs will start next week. Please see below for the timetable.

Day	Reception	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	Resource Base
Monday	Cooking <i>Samara/Antoinette</i>	Board Games <i>Sabrina</i>	Performing Arts <i>Pam/Rukia</i>	Tennis <i>Vicky/Liz</i>	Book Club <i>Alicia</i>	Cooking <i>Georgia</i>	Gardening <i>Tatiana</i>	Dance <i>Kristina</i>
					Basketball <i>Omari</i>		Steel Pans <i>Chris</i>	Cooking <i>Elizabeth</i>
Tuesday	Forest School <i>Kelley/Louise</i>	Book Club <i>Maria</i>	Arts and Craft <i>Bella</i>		Performing Arts <i>Amelie</i>	Choreography Dance <i>Deme</i>	Mixed Football <i>Jamie</i>	Music <i>Valerie</i>
					Steel Pans <i>Chris</i>	Create <i>Emily</i>	Create <i>Emily</i>	Drama <i>Chantay</i>
Thursday	Arts and Crafts <i>Davina/Lakisha</i>	Lego <i>Heather</i>	Cooking <i>Lydia</i>	Multi-Sports <i>Orlando</i>	Choir <i>Talyia</i>	Football mixed <i>Michael</i>	Yoga and mindfulness <i>Kathryn</i> 8:00-9:00am	
				Create <i>Flora</i>				
Friday								

## Portrait Work in Art Lessons



Next week in Art lessons, the children from years 1 to 6 will be working from photographs to develop their portrait drawing skills.

They will be provided with images to work from, however in order to personalise their learning further, we are encouraging them to bring in a photo of a friend or family member to use in their lessons if they would like to.

# Children's Book Project – Pop Up Book Hut



We are very excited to be working with the Children's Book Project this term. Together we will be promoting a love of reading and enhancing the range of books on offer for children. We are delighted to have been loaned a pop up book hut for the playground this term. It arrived yesterday along with 1,000 beautiful books which children will be able to bring home for their reading enjoyment.

We will keep you updated as the term goes on. In the meantime, you can see some of the wonderful work the Children's Book Project do by visiting their website here: <https://childrensbookproject.co.uk/>



## Feel Positive About Parenting



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Being a parent can be difficult, but these sessions with our parenting practitioner can help.

Parents and Carers of children aged 18 months to 10 years can talk about their worries, learn to understand your child a bit better and discuss useful strategies for moving forward.



#### Get help with:

- Communicating with your child
- Encouraging positive behaviour
- Decrease undesirable behaviour
- Parenting together
- Planning for high risk behaviour

#### Ladywell Children & Family Centre

30 Rushey Mead, SE4 1JJ

**1:1 Face to Face 30 min slots**  
between 10.00am - 11.30am:

Thursday 23rd September

#### Evelyn Children & Family Centre

231 Grove Street, SE8 3PZ

**1:1 Face to Face 30 min slots**  
between 10.00am - 11.30am:

Thursday 21st October

#### Bellingham Children & Family Centre

109 Randlesdown Road, SE6 3HB

**1:1 Face to Face 30 min slots**  
between 10.00am - 11.30am:

Thursday 18th November

#### 1:1 Phone or Zoom 30 min slots

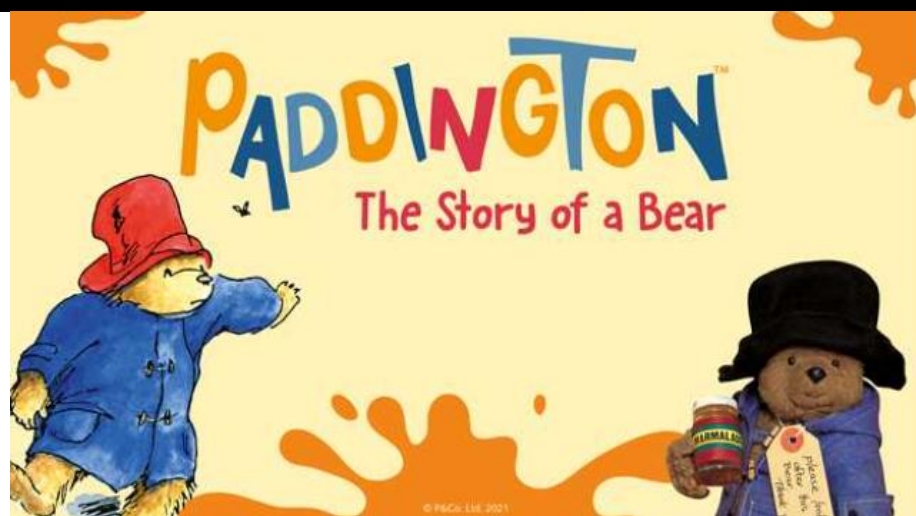
between 10.00am - 11.30am:

Thursday 7th October &  
4th November

#### To book your slot

go to [www.lewishamcfc.org.uk/booking-form](http://www.lewishamcfc.org.uk/booking-form)  
or text or leave a message on 07377 724243

## Family Day at the British Library



Book now

Members go free

Tel: +44 (0)1937 546546

Email: [boxoffice@bl.uk](mailto:boxoffice@bl.uk)

Full Price: £8.00

Member: Free

Other concessions available

# Drumbeat Outreach



### **Parent Workshop Understanding ASD (Autistic Spectrum Disorder)**

An exploration of the diagnostic criteria used to diagnose your child. In this session we look closely at each area of difference to develop a better understanding of how these differences may impact your child/young person

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2021

10-11.30am or 6-7.30pm

**This session will be a webinar.**

Please email [outreach.admin@drumbeat.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:outreach.admin@drumbeat.lewisham.sch.uk) or telephone 020 7635 9022 to reserve your place



## Mid-Autumn Festival



Many of you will be looking forward to celebrating the Mid-Autumn Festival next week.

Families admire the full moon – even if they can't be together, they all celebrate being under the same moon.

During this very important festival in the Chinese calendar, families and friends enjoy spending time together and eating together, especially delicious mooncakes!

## Stars of the week



**Congratulations to these superstars for some amazing learning this week!**

Nursery	Elyon Holly	4CH	Manjot
RF	Laura	4CW	Cayden
RL	Khari	4V	Arda
RP	Mayarah	5CR	Olivia
1BC	Rakaiah-Renae	5CY	Mason
1N	Nova	5W	Laju
1G	Zara	6A	Harvey
2G	Kai	6C	Frankie-Lee
2L	Krishigaa	6P	Jaheim
2S	Junior	Resource Base	Ibrahim
3A	Callie-Rose		Mikhail
3L	Adelina		
3S	Tavarie		

# WANDERLUST EATERY – DISCOUNT CARD



Exciting news ! A new sandwich shop called “Wanderlust Eatery” has been opened on Verdant Lane and they would like to offer Torridon families a 15% discount. If you would like to take them up on this offer, please contact the admin team for a discount card.

## Dates For Your Diary

Week beginning 20 <sup>th</sup> September	After School Clubs start Year 4 Swimming Lessons start
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	School Governor Visit
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Year 6 Secondary Transfer Meeting for parents and carers at 2pm
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 6 Football Trials
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> September to Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	Bike to School Week
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	Launch of Black History Month Events – Assemblies and Theatre Workshops
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	Soundabout Music Workshops (Resource Base)
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	Individual and Class photographs
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Individual parent and carer meetings with class teachers
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	INSET DAY
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> October	HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	BACK TO SCHOOL

## 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 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021**. All applications are submitted online through the Lewisham website.

We will be holding a meeting via MS Teams on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> 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



## Bonus Pastor Catholic College

Led by Principal Jonathan Ronan  
Oversubscribed, Visionary and Happy!

**An Ofsted Outstanding School**







Bonus Pastor is an over-subscribed Catholic school where every student is known and loved. Our culture is warm, friendly and caring and built on respect, one where we have exceptionally high aspirations for each student who are each known for their individual strengths. We have a long history of excellent GCSE results and in September 2017 we were graded as 'Outstanding' in all categories by Ofsted.

Bonus Pastor is visionary, innovative and research engaged. Teaching and learning is at the heart of everything we do and our curriculum is broad and balanced, ensuring that our students achieve the very best outcomes and go onto a wide variety of career pathways. Our excellent teachers know their students well and ensure that their learning is personalised.

Our innovative teaching and ability to react to the world around us has meant that our students have been catered for brilliantly throughout the pandemic and we have committed to providing every student with a personal device to use throughout their education with us. We have been recognised as certified Google trainers and you only have to look at our weekly newsletters to see that the outstanding achievement of our pupils has continued throughout times of national crisis.

Student attendance is outstanding and we are proud that every student goes on to a sixth form placement. We have a high regard for student enrichment and Ofsted 2017 commented on 'The wealth of extra-curricular activities' which prepare our students for the next steps of their education. Our thriving alumni, which includes the current Lewisham Young Mayor and many Oxbridge graduates, are regularly engaged in the success of the school and our careers advice is exceptional.

*'Through Faith to Success'  
Bonus Pastor is a truly inspiring school.*

We hope that you can visit us on the following dates and times:  
 Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September: 6:30pm and 7:30pm Talk and Tour  
 Monday 27<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September: 9:15am Talk and Tour

To register your interest to attend our open events and to find out more about us, please visit our Virtual Open Event Webpage for virtual tours, videos from staff and students and all of the key information about our Outstanding School:  
<https://www.bonuspastor.co.uk/969/open-events-2021>

[www.bonuspastor.co.uk](http://www.bonuspastor.co.uk) Phone: 0208 695 2100 Twitter: @bonus\_pastor



## THE LONDON NAUTICAL SCHOOL

### OPEN EVENING/DAYS

THURSDAY 16 <sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER	2021 (5:00PM - 7:00 PM)
THURSDAY 23 <sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER	2021 (9:15AM - 10:45 AM)
THURSDAY 7 <sup>th</sup> OCTOBER	2021 (9:15AM - 10:45 AM)
THURSDAY 14 <sup>th</sup> OCTOBER	2021 (9:15AM - 10:45 AM)

OR CONTACT US TO ARRANGE A SEPARATE VISIT  
**ADMISSIONS@LNS.ORG.UK**  
 AND SEE OUR WEBSITE HERE:  
[HTTP://WWW.LNS.ORG.UK/](http://www.lns.org.uk/)

At the London Nautical School we provide an exciting and challenging learning experience through lessons and cross-curricular activities. Our curriculum is designed to support each individual on their learning journey and is devised to take into account the rich history and diversity of the school. We develop all our students to be successful, have integrity and be aspiring and literate learners, capable of achieving their potential and succeeding in their educational goals. Learning takes place both in and outside of the classroom, and includes trips to museums, the theatre, sporting events and outdoor residentials along with access to professional sports coaches via our football academy pathway. The LNS Curriculum is designed to expand students' minds and enrich their understanding of the world around them within a local and global context from years 7 to 13.

PROVIDING EDUCATION FOR BOYS & GIRLS AT 6th FORM FROM ACROSS LONDON, LOCATED ON LONDON'S SOUTH BANK WITH EXCELLENT TRANSPORTATION ROUTES VIA BUS AND TRAIN.

61 Stamford Street, Waterloo, London, SE1 9NA  
 020 7928 6801 EMAIL: [admissions@lns.org.uk](mailto:admissions@lns.org.uk) [HTTP://WWW.LNS.ORG.UK/](http://www.lns.org.uk/)



## Harris Girls' Academy Bromley

### OPEN EVENING

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2021: 5.00pm – 8.00pm

### OPEN MORNINGS

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2021,  
 Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021: Tours 9.00am

Tel: 020 8778 5917 [www.harrisbromley.org.uk](http://www.harrisbromley.org.uk) Lennard Road, Beckenham BR3 1QR



Harris Federation



## Keeping In Touch

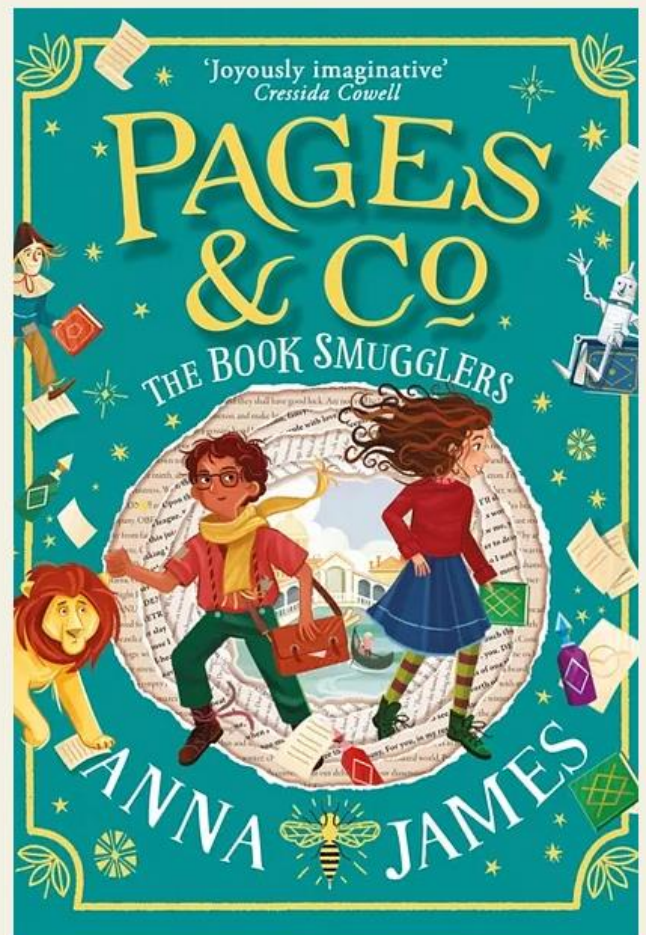
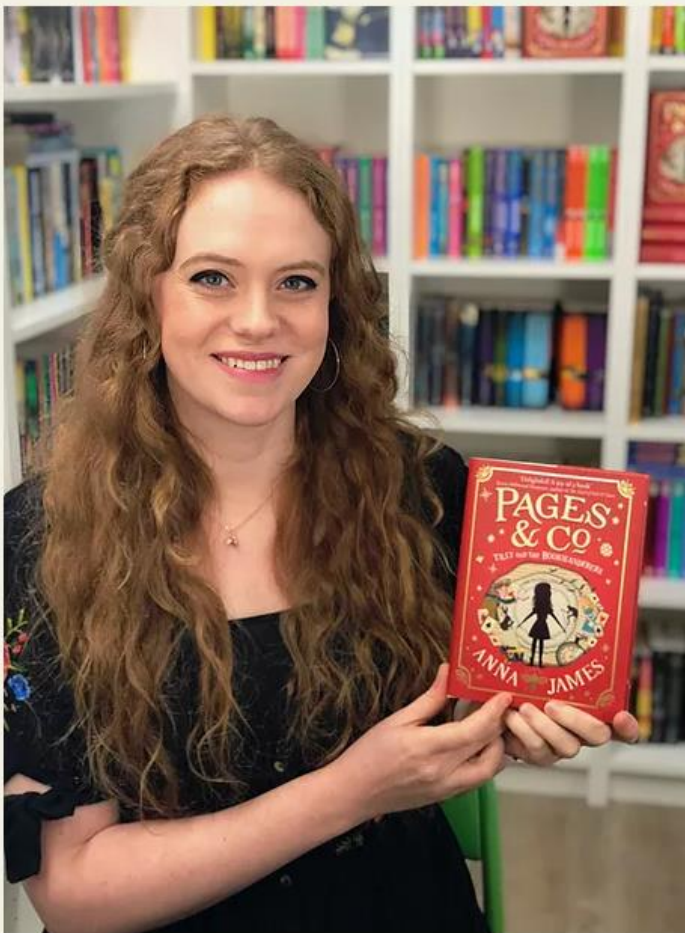
Please remember to let us know if you or a member of your household receives a positive test result for COVID-19. We have a dedicated phone number for you to call if you need to inform us of a confirmed case within your household– **07376 358065**.



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](mailto:covid@torridonprimary.lewisham.sch.uk)

## Book Signing – Anna James



Tales on Moon Lane and HarperCollins invite you to celebrate the publication of the 4th book in the Pages & Co series: "The Book Smugglers" with author Anna Jones!

A public signing will take place at 3pm on Sunday the 19th of September in the bookshop. You are welcome to come and meet Anna and get any of your books signed. If you are unable to attend please email [info@talesonmoonlane.co.uk](mailto:info@talesonmoonlane.co.uk) to arrange a personally signed book.



## Torridon Term Dates

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