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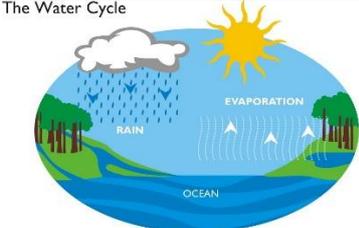
5th November 2021

Dear parents and carers,

We had such an exciting start to our Friday morning at Torridon. We were very honoured to have had a very special visitor. The world famous illustrator **Korky Paul** joined us to lead a whole school workshop where we had the chance to draw our own Winnikins!

Korky is probably best known for his wonderful illustrations of Winnie and Wilbur in the Valerie Thomas series of books about Winnie the Witch. We were so lucky that he was able to join us this morning to help us celebrate the launch of our brand new Reading Room. The children will have their first chance to explore the wonderful world of reading in the beautifully designed space next week and they can't wait!

Our curriculum bulletins are available for you today so you can find out all about the new learning which will be taking place this half term. Here are the topic titles for you to explore with your children:

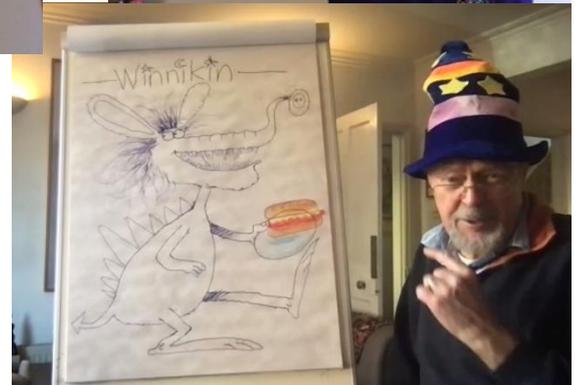
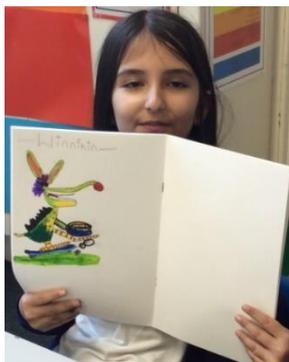
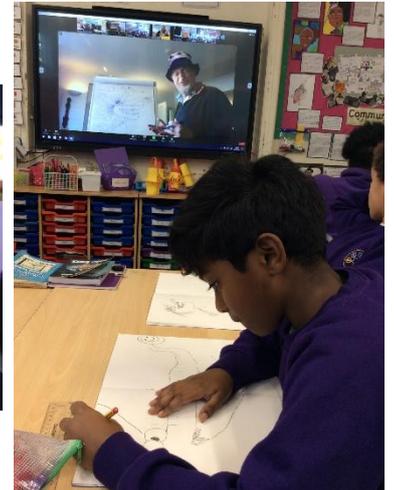
<p>Nursery Explorers and Adventurers</p>	<p>Reception Let's Celebrate</p>	<p>Year 1 Seaside Rescue</p>
		
<p>Year 2 African Adventure</p>	<p>Year 3 Rhythm of the Rain</p>	<p>Year 4 Race to the Frozen North</p>
	<p>The Water Cycle</p> 	
<p>Year 5 Wild Water</p>	<p>Year 6 Earth Matters</p>	<p>Resource Base Celebrations</p>
		

Have a lovely weekend and, if you are watching any fireworks, remember to stay safe!

Best wishes

Manda George
Headteacher

Korky Paul Illustration Workshop



Diwali



Very best wishes to those of you who have been celebrating Diwali this week. We have been learning all about the Festival of Lights in our class assemblies.

This week in Reception we have been learning about Diwali.

We have all made our own Diya lamps to take home.

We have also created Rangoli patterns using different materials such as rice and powder paint.

We even created chalk Rangoli patterns on our playground.



**PRE-WINTER GARDENING SESSION
TOMORROW - SATURDAY 6th NOVEMBER
2:00-4:30pm**

Join the Green Team and PTA TOMORROW for a pre-winter gardening blitz around the school. Bring gardening gloves, bucket and trowel if you have them. Refreshments provided! It's an open session from 2-4:30pm, so any time you can offer will be gratefully received. Please RSVP to friendsoftorridonpta@gmail.com.

Thank you!

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

HOME LEARNING

We had lots of questions about home learning at parents' evening before half term. Please see below for an outline of the regular home learning provided and where to access it.



- Children's home learning projects for this half term have been loaded onto MS Teams today. There are a number of tasks for children to complete across the half term.
- Children should be reading **every day** and returning their reading record book to school.
- Teachers set weekly Mathletics and SPAG.Com tasks for the children and spelling lists are uploaded onto MS Teams every Friday.
- Children in Years 2 – 6 can also log into their Times Tables Rock Stars account to practise their times tables throughout the week.
- Please check that you have the correct log in details (located in the front of your child's reading record book) and can access the home learning activities.

If you have any problems logging on, please get in touch and one of the team will be happy to help.

Thank you for working in partnership with us to support your children's learning.



4CH TORRIDON AMBASSADORS

Just before half term, I had the pleasure of receiving this lovely message from one of our local bus drivers. The children in 4CH were on their way to Downham for their weekly swimming lesson.

Hi,

Today I had the pleasure of having a class from your school on my bus. I was driving the number 124 and at about 13:30 today, this class boarded my bus going towards Downham (swimming, I presume!).

Please could I just pay the biggest compliment. All of the children were exceptionally well behaved, polite, happy and well mannered. They said thank you both on boarding and exiting the bus. One or two children also moved with no fuss whatsoever to allow an elderly lady sit down. There was no shouting or anything and in my 10 years of bus driving (picking up plenty of school children!), this is the first time I have felt compelled to reach out with a compliment. (The adults were well behaved too :))

I would gladly have them on my bus again!

Kind regards

Sarah Stephenson

(Bus driver with Stagecoach)

I am so proud of how well the children represented Torridon in the local community.
Well done 4CH!

Dates For Your Diary

Friday 12 th November	Y6 RAFT Team Zero Carbon School Assembly
Monday 15 th – Friday 19 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Monday 15 th November	Odd Socks Day for Anti Bullying Week
Wednesday 17 th November	Irie Theatre Dance Workshop Resource Base
Friday 19 th November	Children in Need
Monday 29 th November	YR and Y6 Height and Weight Screening
Week beginning 29 th November	Whole School Assessment Week
Friday 3 rd December	INSET DAY
Thursday 9 th December	Christmas Disco
Monday 13 th December	NHS Flu Vaccination Programme
Tuesday 14 th December	Christmas Jumper Day Reindeer Fun Run
Friday 17 th December	Last day of autumn term
Monday 20 th December to Monday 3 rd January	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
Tuesday 4 th January	BACK TO SCHOOL

Community Projects



invites you to our

Free Monthly Fun Play Session

for children aged 5-8 years
with special educational needs

on

Monday, 15th November 2021
at 10:30am-11:30am

at

Bellingham Leisure and Lifestyle Centre
5 Randlesdown Road, Bellingham
SE6 3BT



King's College Hospital
NHS Foundation Trust



The Oral Health Promotion team will be hosting a Q and A session via Zoom for parents and carers on:

Tuesday 30th November at 9.15am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88325413432?pwd=eHraFN0SHJYY3hFV0tnZGtSN0hJdz09>

Wednesday 1st December at 7.30pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82641339627?pwd=SndQWf9tMmlkUEJKYndvekp0QUwrdz09>

Thursday 2nd December at 2.00pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85981904459?pwd=bU54b1h0c3JFakVtZ3RqWHY1WmlvQT09>

Join us for a friendly and interactive session for top tips on how to look after teeth.



This is a dedicated session for children aged 5-8 years only, and the fun play area will be closed to the public. To book a place please email bcp@bcp.uk.net places will be allocated on a first come first served basis (30 places available).

For more information, please email bcp@bcp.uk.net or call 020 8461 2213

Please note that the accompanying adult will be expected to stay and will be responsible for their child throughout the session. We request all adults wear a face covering, however this will not be enforced.

