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Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back! I hope you had a lovely half term break. We have had a great first week back – I am sure the children have been very excited to tell you all about their new topics for this half term. Please look out for the curriculum leaflets and home learning information which will be uploaded onto MS Teams by Monday.

Our fabulous KS2 dance company UNITY are performing at Blackheath Halls. Please check for details of how to book tickets later in the newsletter if you would like to go and support them.

Don't forget that Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March is WORLD BOOK DAY. Children (and staff) are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. We can't wait to see their outfits!

I hope you have a fantastic weekend.

Best wishes

Manda George  
Headteacher



## Friends of Torridon PTA Meeting

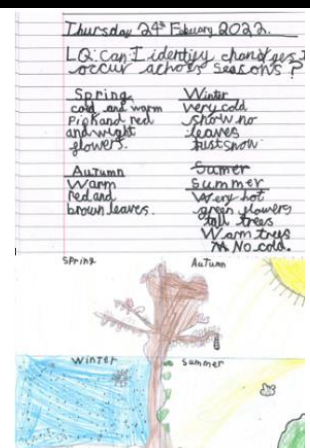
Please look out for the leaflet in your child's book bag telling you a little about our wonderful PTA, the work that they do and how you can get involved.

They would love you to join them for a Virtual Meeting on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 12.30pm**. We are hoping you will have some great ideas to share about future fundraising possibilities. Everyone is welcome so please look out for the Zoom link next week.

## Year 3 Science Learning

Joseph did some lovely learning in science this week. He identified changes in the seasons and represented this with a diagram of a tree.

Well done Joseph!



# TALES ON MOON LANE BOOKSHOP NEWS

## World Book Day Competition

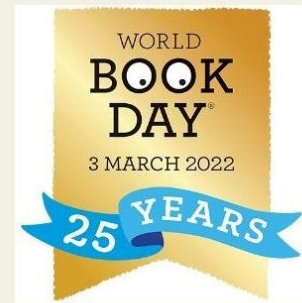


This year we're holding a competition as part of our World Book Day celebrations. To enter all you need to do is write a blurb or design a cover for your favourite book. It can be a picture book, fiction or non-fiction, we just want to see your amazing writing and drawings.

The competition is open from now until **March 5th**, so come along and drop your entry in our box, with your name and contact details, for the chance to win a goody bag of prizes.

Tales on Moon Lane Bookshop are planning some exciting events for World Book Day this year. There is a competition to design a book cover or write a blurb and a book swap taking place next weekend. Further details and much more can be found in their latest newsletter:

<https://shoutout.wix.com/so/e2NwbHQeS?languageTag=en&cid=6674744f-6eef-43dd-87a9-1c68965e76d1#/main>



On Thursday 3rd of March we'll be celebrating World Book Day, and this year it's their 25th anniversary!

There will be all kinds of exciting events and activities happening as part of the celebrations, as well as a selection of £1.00 books that children can choose for free with their World Book Day tokens.

As part of World Book Day we'll be running a book swap from the **5th - 6th of March**. If you come into the shop on these days you can drop off a book you've finished reading and pick up a different one that someone else has already read and loved. We'll have a drop and swap book box in the shop and any books left over will be donated to the Acorn Book Club.

For more information about events, activities and partnerships, visit the World Book Day website at [www.worldbookday.com](http://www.worldbookday.com)



## World Book Day Celebrations with Paula Harrison



We're so excited to kick off this year's World Book Day celebrations with one of our absolute favourite authors, **Paula Harrison**!

Paula will be coming into Tales on Moon Lane on **Monday, 28th February at 3:45pm** to sign her superhero book series - Kitty. Come along and make your very own Kitty Superhero Mask with Paula and pick up a copy of the newest book, [Kitty and The Woodland Wildcat](#).

## COMPLAINT FROM LOCAL RESIDENT

This week we had communication from a very unhappy resident who contacted us to complain about one of our parents or carers parking across her driveway. I have sent a number of reminders to you about parking safely, away from the school and being respectful of our local residents. I was really disappointed to receive this phone call.

The vehicle model and registration provided to us is:

**Black Jaguar BV19 MKC**

If this is your car, please be more considerate of where you are parking. If you know who this car belongs to, please remind them of our expectations.

Please remember our core values of **Community and Respect** and consider the ways in which we would like the Torridon Community to be considered by our neighbours. Thank you

# UNITY DANCE COMPANY



Year 6 Unity Dance Company have been busy preparing for the forthcoming performance on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February @ The Blackheath Halls at 7pm. **Live Dance** celebrates the talents of young people in Lewisham's Primary and Secondary Schools.

This show case promises inspiring performances and an exciting mix of dance styles.

Produced by Trinity Laban, the showcase is a part of the annual festival [Lewisham Live](#) celebrating music and dance by young performers from across the borough.

This year we are also celebrating Lewisham as [London Borough of Culture 2022](#)

The whole school has been involved in the production in the form of musical accompaniment by all the years singing. Unity will dance to a pre-recorded song by all the year groups.

The performance is open to the public and we would very much love you to come and watch. Tickets are available by telephone 0208 463 0100 or online

<https://www.blackheathhalls.com/whats-on/live-dance-2022-5/>

## COVID UPDATE

I am sure you are all aware of the lifting of COVID restrictions announced this week. At school, we are continuing to maintain high levels of hygiene, ventilation and cleaning with children remaining in their year group bubbles for large parts of the day.

There is no longer a legal requirement for people to self-isolate if they test positive for COVID-19. If children are unwell and need to stay at home, we ask that you report their absence in the usual way by telephoning or emailing the admin office.

The dedicate email address and phone line will remain active for any queries or communication related to COVID 19. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you would like to speak to a member of the team.

**07376 358065**

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

## Dates For Your Diary

Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	UNITY Dance Company Performance at Blackheath Halls
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Y5/6 Football Tournament
	Shrove Tuesday
	St David's Day
	Lailat Al-Isra Wal Miraj
	Maha Shivaratri
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	World Book Day
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	International Women's Day
	12.30pm PTA Virtual Meeting
w/b 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Science Week
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	PTA Disco
w/b 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Autism Awareness Week
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	PTA Sponsored Bounce
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> and Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Parent and Carer Open Evenings
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Last Day of Spring Term
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> April – Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	EASTER HOLIDAY
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> to Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 6 Easter School
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Back to School – First Day of Summer Term
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Torridon 10K/ half Marathon for parents, carers and staff

## Empowering Parents



Good parenting ideas based on science, research & experience



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### From surviving to thriving



Join our research into a new parenting group for parents of children, aged 2-11, who experience strong emotions and struggle to trust in relationships.



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- Learn to manage emotions and behaviour
- Improve communication and relationships
- Meet other parents who share your experience

For more information, sign up here:

[https://kclbs.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_3luWeTjmKHZaKYC](https://kclbs.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3luWeTjmKHZaKYC)

or contact Ellie Baker at [ellie.baker@kcl.ac.uk](mailto:ellie.baker@kcl.ac.uk)

## Stars of the week

Class	Name	Reason
Nursery FT	Joshua	For being a fantastic role model and always trying his best. Well done!
Nursery AM	Munasar	For working really well with others and being an overall superstar.
RF	Zainab	For working hard with her reading and writing. Well done!
RL	Finn	For always trying his best with his independent writing. Well done, Finn!
RP	Maleena	For always working hard and trying her best to achieve her goals!
1BC	Mason	For making a huge improvement in his writing. Keep up the fantastic work Mason!
1G	Shanaiya	Because of her bright smile every day! Shanaiya has made a wonderful progress in her writing. Well done!
1N	Oniefa	For the fantastic progress she has been putting into all her learning. She has made great progress and made us so proud with her new 'love for learning'!
2G	Teddy	Because of his hard work in all lessons and his dedication to improving and challenging himself in English. Well done!
2L	Ayaan	For challenging himself in lessons and working more independently.
2S	Levi	For his brilliant improvement in handwriting this week! Your presentation has been beautiful and your writing is a pleasure to read 😊
3A	Niromika	Niromika has shown high aspirations by working hard in every area of her learning. Well done!
3L	Enis	He has shown motivation, focus and resilience when working on his handwriting. He set himself an aspirational goal and is continuing to work very hard at it!
3S	Kiron	Kiron had worked fantastically hard and has enjoyed sharing his knowledge with his peers. He has high aspirations and is a fantastic role model to everyone in our class.
4CH	Zaniyah	For an aspirational attitude to her learning this week!
4CW	Nawel	For showing aspiration in all aspects of her learning.
4V	Zainab	For always being a pleasure in class, she always demonstrates each of our core values to an exceptional standard. Zainab makes an effort in her learning and collaborating with her peers!
5CR	Norah	For resilience and improvement in her writing and problem solving skills.
5CY	Gharshan	Gharshan works hard in lessons and always contribute to class discussion. He loves to challenge himself and uses ambitious vocabulary.
5W	Ezra	For his level of participation in class this week and being particularly conscientious in his English learning this week.
6A	Huda	For using exciting vocabulary in her writing to describe emotion; thereby demonstrating her aspiration to become a better writer.
6C	Maxwell	For working extremely hard in maths and extending his learning. Well done, Max, you are working hard to achieve your goals!
6P	Jackson	For giving his absolute all in every aspect of his learning this week. I have been incredibly impressed with his mindset and drive. Keep up the impeccable work! I am so proud of you!
RB Blue	Julian	for focussing well on all learning tasks, showing excellent perseverance and learning behaviour
RB Green	Cam'ron	Making excellent progress in maths

**We have enjoyed thinking about ASPIRATION this week.  
Next week we will be thinking about our COMMUNITY.**

# DUMBEAT OUTREACH WORKSHOP



## Drumbeat Outreach

### Professional Workshop

#### Strategies to Support Anxiety in Attending School

A practical session looking at children and young people who have anxiety-based difficulties with coming to school. We will consider some of the reasons these difficulties may develop in autistic children and young people and discuss practical strategies to support families and CYP exploring what helps and what can make it worse.

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022 – 1-3pm

This session will be held at:

Drumbeat Brockley, Revelon  
Road, Brockley SE4 2PR.

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

Cost - £30 per person



## Play Sessions For Children with SEND



invites you to our

### Free Monthly Fun Play Session

for children aged 5-8 years  
with special educational needs

on

Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022  
at 10:30am-11:30am

at

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



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](mailto:bcp@bcp.uk.net) places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

For more information, please email [bcp@bcp.uk.net](mailto: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.



## PTA DISCO – THURSDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

If you purchased tickets via ParentPay for the Christmas Disco then these have automatically been transferred to this date. Your child will receive their ticket week beginning 21st March. The times for the disco remain the same:

Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 4.00 - 5.00pm

Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 5.15 - 6.15pm

