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Dear parents and carers,

I can hardly believe that this is the last newsletter of this academic year. It has been a wonderful last week of term, despite the scorching heat on Monday and Tuesday!

It has been such a good year at Torridon. We are so proud of all the children – they have done so well considering this is their first full year back at school following the pandemic. Their learning has come on in leaps and bounds and it has been wonderful to see them shine in all areas of the curriculum.

Today we say goodbye to our fabulous Year 6 children. We are really sad to see them go but very excited for them as they start their next chapter. They had a brilliant time at their end of term celebration and really did Torridon proud in their leavers assembly this morning. Goodbye and good luck Year 6.

I want to thank you for all your incredible support this year. It has been so lovely to host community events again and to be able to welcome you back into school for concerts, performances, sporting events and family fun! I look forward to continuing to work in partnership with you next year.

Have a fantastic summer break and we will see you in September.

Best wishes

Manda George  
Headteacher



# CELEBRATING DIVERSITY AND INCLUSIVITY

Torridon Resource Base Class 2021-2022



The resource base children made Carmello the elephant based on their work around Elmer. Carmello represents diversity and inclusivity and is a celebration of everything that is unique and special about us.

Look out for Carmello in the main office next term.

## Digital World - Parent Workshops

parentzone LOCAL

Lewisham | Southwark | Croydon | Lambeth

### Come and join a parent event

Parent Zone Local offers a range of free live events that we would love you to come to.

There are many different events to can register for – exploring a range of topics. These include: **online safety, misinformation, screen time, and gaming.** Join us to learn more about the digital world – all from one of our expert hosts.

Select an event from the calendar to register.

<https://www.pzlocal.org.uk/events>

# SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAMME



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Come and join us for an

# Summer

## Holidays and food programme

4 - 11  
Year  
Olds

Beach and Ocean Themed Performing Arts Art and Crafts and Outdoor Activities

Monday 1st August - Thursday 18th August 2022

Plays and Drama Activities |  
Arts and Crafts | Singalongs and Dance |  
Nutrition Education Activities |  
Parent Workshops and Families Support

Lunch provided for eligible children  
Free to Free School Meals Children. Siblings Welcome.  
Paying Children Welcome.

10am-2pm

Torridon Primary School, Hazelbank Road,  
London, SE6 1TG

For more information and to register please visit  
<https://www.skipzproductions.org/skipzhaflewisham>

If you require further assistance please email us at  
[skipzhaflewisham@gmail.com](mailto:skipzhaflewisham@gmail.com)

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# LIBERTY FESTIVAL



## Liberty Festival this weekend (22- 24 July, FREE)

A free three-day festival of ground-breaking creative experiences and works by D/deaf, disabled and neurodiverse artists, presented by the Mayor of London.

Everyone is invited to Liberty Festival, coming to Lewisham as part of London Borough of Culture 2022.

Come along to see innovative and ambitious work from artists who want to challenge perceptions of how culture can be performed and experienced by all audiences. The festival will feature a diverse programme of ground-breaking art and performance, interactive installations, a thought-provoking symposium, new commissions and participatory workshops for all.

From internationally renowned artists such as **Yinka Shonibare CBE**, **Raymond Antrobus** and **Selina Thompson** to brilliant community organisations, you can look forward to music and dance, theatre, visual art and more.

All events are free and all ages are welcome.

Expect an accessible and inclusive environment. All events will take a Relaxed approach to movement and noise with audiences able to leave and re-enter, tic and move around if needed. There will also be accessible toilets available and quiet chill-out areas to rest and relax in. A welcome hub will be open across the three days, located in the garden of the Albany.

Stay for a whole day, or just drop in to events that are of interest. Enjoy a diverse range of food and drink from cafes and outlets around the area.

[Download an Easy Read Guide to Liberty Festival](#)

# Torridon Summer Music Concert



What a treat we had yesterday evening at our very first summer music concert. We heard from super talented guitarists, pianists, violinists and cello players, saxophonists, clarinetists, drummers and even our very own rock band!

The children showed no nerves as they performed in front of a large audience – even those who were performing solo.

The talent also extended to songwriting as a number of children performed their own compositions.

Thank you to everyone who came along to support them. We hope you enjoyed the performances.

Thank you to Chris, Sam and Samantha for all their hard work in developing the children's talents and for helping Torridon to stand out for all the right reasons!



## VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY



### Aspire

Are you committed, enthusiastic and passionate about working with and children in an education setting?

**Volunteers Teachers and Helpers  
NEEDED!**



#### How can you help?

- Encourage and enable children to develop confidence in their learning
- Use and develop your teaching approach to support different children's learning.
- Have a willingness to learn and engage with children with a variety of educational needs

#### When?

Every Saturday 10:00am – 11:30am (Term time only)

#### Where?

Perry Rise Baptist Church, Perry Rise, Forest Hill, London, SE23 2QL

If you feel this is you, please contact Gamett Clough on:  
Email: [aspire@perryrisebaptistchurch.org.uk](mailto:aspire@perryrisebaptistchurch.org.uk)  
Mobile: 07956400708 or 07957268903

# SUMMER ACTIVITY CAMP



**Abbotshall Healthy Lifestyle Centre,  
Abbotshall Rd, London SE6 1SQ**

25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> July

1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Aug

15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> Aug

9AM - 3PM

Ages 4+

£30  
PER DAY

£150 FOR  
THE WEEK

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## THANK YOU FRIENDS OF TORRIDON PTA

A huge thank you to our wonderful Friends of Torridon PTA who have done such an amazing job this year.

We have had some fantastic events – the fun run, sponsored bounce, 10K run and disco to name but a few. The Summer Fair was the icing on the cake.

Thank you to Ruth and her team for all their hard work. I know they have already started planning for next year. If you would like to get involved, please contact Ruth at [friendsoftorridonpta@gmail.com](mailto:friendsoftorridonpta@gmail.com)

# Lewisham Childcare Survey

## Parents and carers – have your say on Lewisham childcare provision

The pandemic and cost of living crisis has made things difficult for many parents and carers and we want to hear your experiences of childcare provision, to understand the changing needs of families in Lewisham.

We are running an [online survey](#) to help us to understand how we, as a council, can better support families with accessing childcare in the borough.

Your response will be kept entirely confidential.

We know all too well how childcare costs can put a financial strain on working families and those trying to find work.

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Many thanks for your cooperation in advance.

Kind regards,



Family  
Information  
Service

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Early Years Quality and Sufficiency Service

Children and Young People

Lewisham Council

## TRANSITION TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

### Secondary school event

Lewisham admissions team will be running a free, informal event for parents and carers of children in Year 6 to provide information about the admissions process and give an opportunity to meet, staff, students and parents from our secondary schools

This will take place on **Tuesday 6th September** at the Civic Suite in Catford, and will run from 5.30-8pm.

[Book your slot on the 'starting secondary school in 2023' event at the Civic Suite](#)

# STARS OF THE WEEK

Class	Name	Reason
Nursery	<b>EVERYONE IN NURSERY</b>	For fantastic learning and making us very proud.
RF	<b>EVERYONE IN RECEPTION</b>	For working so hard in Reception and making their teachers so proud!
RL		
RP		
1BC	<b>EVERYONE IN YEAR 1</b>	For being fantastic learners and for consistently showing kindness and empathy towards each other.
1G		
1N		
2G	<b>EVERYONE IN YEAR 2</b>	For being excellent learners all year round!
2L		
2S		
3A	<b>EVERYONE IN YEAR 3</b>	For being superstars the whole year through – we have had an excellent year!
3L		
3S		
4CH	<b>Pedro</b>	For demonstrating superb empathy for others and collaborating well with all children.
4CW	<b>Kyren</b>	For demonstrating the core values and his passion for learning.
4V	<b>THE WOLE CLASS</b>	For all their hard work this year! They have been exceptional.
5CR	<b>THE WHOLE CLASS</b>	For all their hard work this year, their resilience and dedication to their learning.
5CY	<b>Leo</b>	For displaying a changed attitude and being supportive of others.
5W	<b>THE WHOLE CLASS</b>	For all their hard work this year. Their determination to make mgood progress has been amazing!
6A	<b>EVERYONE IN YEAR 6</b>	Congratulations to all of our Y6 pupils! The whole Y6 team is incredibly proud of you. You have been an absolutely amazing year group over the past eight years. We hope that you continue to shine so brightly at your new schools and wish you all the best for the future!
6C		
6P		
RB Blue	<b>Ibrahim</b>	Well done for staying calm in difficult situations
RB Green	<b>Cam'ron</b>	Well done for being such a kind and caring member of the green pathway. We will miss you so much! Good luck at your new school.



## Dates For Your Diary

Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> and Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	INSET Days
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	First Day of Autumn Term
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	9.15am Year 1 Welcome Meeting 2.45pm Year 2 Welcome Meeting
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	9.15am Year 3 Welcome Meeting 2.45pm Year 4 Welcome Meeting
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	9.15am Year 5 Welcome Meeting 2.45pm Year 6 Welcome Meeting
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Fantastic Fred Workshop
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Online Safety Workshops
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> October (TBC)	School Photographs
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	HALF TERM HOLIDAY