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Dear parents and carers,

It seems the weather has been slightly against us this week. We had a rather soggy Saturday and a very drizzly Friday but it did not stop you coming out to support the children. We had a great turn out at the Summer Fair last weekend. Thank you once again to Megan and all who volunteered their time to help with the organisation and running of the event. The music and dance performances were fantastic and the art competition, woodland activities and school council games were a huge success. Thank you to the creative team, Kelley, Suraiya and the school council for all their hard work.

We have had some brilliant workshops taking place as part of our sports week this week. Look out for the photos later in the newsletter. You can see just how much fun the children were having.

We are very grateful for the support and understanding of key stage one families who came along to cheer at sports day – despite the rain this morning. As we had to cut things short, we will be rescheduling some of the sports day fun to next Tuesday. Fingers crossed the sun comes out for us this time!

Margaret Brightman, our wonderful Chair of Governors will be stepping down from her role at the end of this term. She has been a governor at Torridon for many years and has supported the school through some of the most challenging and most celebratory times. We would like to thank her for her incredible commitment to the staff, parents and carers and children of Torridon over the years. She will be very much missed. Levin Wheller, our current vice chair will be stepping into the role from September.

The children are very excited to meet their new teachers next week. There will be an opportunity for you to meet the teaching teams at our welcome meetings in September.

I hope you have a great weekend.

Best wishes
Manda George
Headteacher



OUR SUPERSTAR CHEF!

I am delighted to inform you that our wonderful school chef, Raheem Morgan, has been awarded
LACA School Chef of the Year.

This is very well deserved and we are all incredibly proud of him.



ITV London will be coming into school on Monday to film a short piece for their television programme. They will be interviewing Raheem and filming him preparing and serving lunch. They may also wish to interview some children.

If you DO NOT wish your child to be included in any photos or video, please email
admin@torridonprimary.lewisham.sch.uk.

YEAR 2 BOCCIA WORKSHOPS

During our Boccia workshop this week, year 2 had a brilliant time.

We split up into teams and had three attempts to get our coloured ball as close to the white ball as possible. At first glance, it didn't look very difficult. However, it proved to be all about precision and judging how hard or gently to roll the ball. With that in mind, we practised and practised until it got easier and the coloured ball closest to the white ball at the end of the round won a point for their team! It was a wonderful session enjoyed by all!



Sports Day

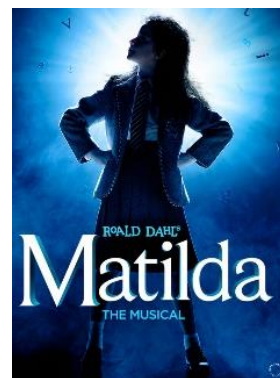
It has been a week of fun and friendly competitive games for children who took part in this year's sports day. EYFS competed in 6 games on Monday whilst KS2 played their 12 rounds on Thursday. For the first time, we incorporated community races in both events, played some football matches to celebrate the Saturday League football teams and a friendly tug of war with staff and parents and carers. It's always great to see the passion and teamwork from the children but it was great to see the wider community taking part as well. All scores are in but still need to be totalled up. Final results will be shared during celebration assemblies next week!



YEAR 6 PRODUCTION

Well done Year 6 for such an incredible performance of 'Matilda'.

This week, the Year 6 children performed their version of 'Matilda' to two audiences. They worked extremely hard to learn all of the lyrics to the songs and their lines. The children performed with confidence, expression and volume. It was a lovely performance and the children should be very proud of themselves – well done!



Staffing Updates

We will be saying goodbye to some of the team at the end of this term.

Lucille (Year 3 teacher) will be taking up a new position in a bilingual school, Emma (Nursery teacher) will be taking some time away from teaching and Rachel (Year 4 teacher) is moving out of London. Kathryn (French teacher) is taking up a new challenge and will be studying for a Masters degree.

I am sure you will want to join me in thanking them for all their hard work and dedication to the Torridon community and wish them all the very best as they move onto their new adventures.



Summer Fair

Thank you to everyone who turned out to enjoy the summer fair on Saturday. It was a little rainy but that did not dampen our spirits one bit!



Well Done Beatrice!



We are extremely proud of Beatrice who achieved her Grade 2 Piano Exam with Distinction!

Well done Beatrice this is an amazing achievement.

Growing Herbs at Forest School

At Forest School we have been growing herbs including mint, dill, sage, thyme, rosemary and oregano! Which one is your favourite?



Year 5 Capoeira Workshop



Capoeira is an Afro-Brazilian martial art that combines elements of dance, acrobatics, music and spirituality. We were lucky enough to have Amani's dad come and teach us some of the moves in a fantastic workshop which we all enjoyed. Thank you Talmud!

Football Tournament

On Wednesday, 11 members of our girls' football team represented Torridon in the inaugural girls' football tournament celebrating the Women's World Cup. Hosted by AFC Lewisham, each school randomly selected a nation to represent and then played each other team in an attempt to become "world champions." Our girls, representing South Africa, played nine games throughout the course of the day and remained undefeated until the final match where they were narrowly beaten by a single goal against the eventual champions.

They won five of their matches, drew three, and only lost that one game overall. Throughout the day they demonstrated great teamwork, passion, and self-belief, and thoroughly deserved to be coming back to school with their 3rd place medals! After playing so many matches on the day, it was a great achievement for the girls who have worked incredibly hard all year becoming such an amazing team. In fact, they only missed out on second place by a single point!

Congratulations to the girls involved in the event, and for the dedication they have put into the football team this year. We are so proud of our teams!



Torridon summer treats!

As the weather becomes much warmer and we lead up to the summer holidays, we will be selling summer ice lollies.

Please see details below:

Dates

Tuesday 18th July

Thursday 20th July

Where?

KS1/KS2 playground

When?

After school

Please note that the stall will be cash only. All proceeds will go towards the end of year celebrations and activities for the children. We look forward to seeing you.



Dance Workshops

We were incredibly fortunate to be visited by Ballet Black this week. Ballet Black is a professional dance company comprising and promoting ballet dance for black and Asian dancers.

The dancers, Rosie and Elgar, performed an excerpt from their current touring repertoire “Nina” to a Year 4 and 5 audience. “Nina” explores the life and music of Nina Simone.



Both year groups then developed their own choreography through dance workshops exploring some of the themes of the work alongside their education officer, Corinne.

Dance workshops also happened in Reception, Year 1 and 2 working with Angela and Vicky from “The Studio” .



Community Noticeboard

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HAVIN A BUBBLE

Abbotshall
HEALTHY LIFESTYLE CENTRE

Sports Day!

15th July
10am-2pm

JOIN US!

Classic fun sports games for all the family! BBQ, Bouncy castle & pizza...

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Our Buzzers holiday camps are aimed at children aged 4 to 12 years and designed to suit all sporting interests and abilities.

Activities include: Athletics, Dodgeball, Dance, Basketball, Football, Arts & Crafts, Archery and much more!

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- ✓ 10% sibling discount
- ✓ Enhanced DBS checked staff
- ✓ Plus, we're Ofsted Registered

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Day Nursery

Pre-school

Holiday Club

At Tams Childcare we have a strong personal approach to caring for and nurturing children. All of the children and parents at our setting become part of a strong family community, which we are all happy and proud to be a part of.

NO DEPOSIT REQUIRED!!
When joining between July - September 2023

If you are interested to find out more
Please feel free to contact us
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contact: 0203 5732873

FOR EARLY YEARS, KS1 & KS2

Fun Yoga & Mindfulness Classes Funded By Pupil Premium Budget

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Weekly yoga & mindfulness classes designed to develop children's emotional, physical & mental wellbeing.
Contact classes@beam.academy for more information.



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WEDNESDAY MORNINGS
06:50 - 07:40
FORSTER MEMORIAL PARK
@ THE BANDSTAND

£8.50 PER SESSION

Contact [Ashleigh Jay](mailto:ajayfitness@live.co.uk) on 07930 317 847 or ajayfitness@live.co.uk to book your place now...

Jerk Lab Launch



We will be launching a BBQ Caribbean stall outside Torridon convenience store (NISA LOCAL) on Saturday 15th of July.

We are big on Community, Culture & Connection and in support of this, we will be donating funds from our launch to support the Forster Park Junior Park Run that will be up and running soon.

Kindest regards
Jerk Lab

CorbFest 2023

Saturday 15th July, 11-5pm.

We hope that you can join us to celebrate our brilliant community with events at both St Andrews Church hall and The Corbett Community Library for Arts & Crafts - Ice Cream - Bouncy Castle - Food & Drink Stalls - Fun Games!

We will finish the day off with an interactive quiz at St Andrews Church hall 7pm- 10pm - Licensed bar (or corkage) & Prizes!

Tickets available online or at the library. For more information:
www.thecorbett.org



Stars of the Week

Class	Name	Reason
Nursery Full Time	Aaron	For his growth in confidence and for taking part in more activities at nursery. Well done, Aaron!
Nursery am	Andrew	For participating in nursery phonics and for being kind to his friends. Well done, Andrew!
Nursery pm	Yasmine	For always being kind to her friends and for being a good role model to all her nursery peers. Well done, Yasmine!
Red Class	Rhia	Rhia has written fantastic writing for her runaway gingerbread story. Well done, Rhia!
Blue Class	Kyrie	For being such a great team player and trying his best during Sports day! Well done Kyrie!
Yellow Class	Frankie-Joe	For fantastic writing! Well done!
1G	Laura	For consistently being kind and helpful to all. Laura is always doing the right thing and always tries her best! She is an excellent role model.
1M	Florence	For her fantastic effort in our maths lesson this week. Well done, Florence! 😊
1N	Salome	For her exemplary behaviour and kindness and for always doing her absolute best.
2G	Havana	For her amazing performance during our dance workshop "Ghostbusters". It was fantastic! 😊
2S	Eunice	For being such an excellent role model to her peers. Eunice is thoughtful and kind towards others and always tried her best in all that she does! We are so proud to have you as part of 2S ~ Keep being your brilliant self 😊
2SW	Masih	For being helpful towards his peers and being a good role model. Well done Masih!
3A	Julia	For showing amazing effort at all events and being a fantastic team member during sports day.
3L	Thea	For showing excellent effort in all sports day events, cheering everyone on and celebrating the successes of others. Super sportsperson qualities!
3S	Hanna	For showing resilience during sports day. Well done Hanna
4C	Herbie	For being a good sports person and all his effort and determination into the events at sports day yesterday. Well done, Herbie!
	Sophie	For all her effort and determination during sports day despite feeling unwell. Well done, Sophie!
4V	Najat	For always putting in 100% effort in her learning and for always persevering.
4W	Thasyini	For working hard to complete all her learning and for being very helpful
5L	Isaiah	For his effort and determination during sports day. Particularly when taking on the challenge of the 400m. Well done!
5R	Joshua	For his effort and his participation on sports day and his enthusiasm during the steel pan performance. Well done!
5S	Cayden	For his excellent learning produce in writing on the Nigerian Women's football team and for his positive participation on sports day! Well done!
6A	Kayla	For working so hard for the year 6 production and delivering her lines and singing to the best of her ability. Really proud!
6C	Wande	For your incredible singing during the production of Matilda. You should be very proud of your efforts – well done!
6L	Yoel	For your excellent effort and participation on sports day - well done!
Blue Pathway	Meritt	Well done for showing great sportsmanship during sports day.
Green Pathway	Gregory	Well done for participating in group learning and carpet sessions this week.

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 17 th July	Year 6 Staying Safe Workshop
	Year 6 BEAM transition workshop
Tuesday 18 th July	5.00pm – summer music concert
Wednesday 19 th July	Children meeting their new teachers
	9.00am Year 2 recorder performance
	Year 6 transition workshop
	Year 6 leavers' event
Thursday 20 th July	Resource Base picnic – Forster Park
	Year 6 trip to Airthrill
	2.30pm Year 3 Ukulele performance
Friday 21 st July	Last day of the summer term – 2pm finish 9.30am– Year 6 leavers' assembly
Monday 4 th September	INSET DAYS
Tuesday 5 th September	
Wednesday 6 th September	FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM
Thursday 7 th September	9.15am – Year 1 welcome meeting
	2.45pm – Year 2 welcome meeting
Friday 8 th September	9.15am – Year 3 welcome meeting
	2.45pm – Year 4 welcome meeting
Monday 11 th September	9.15am – Year 5 welcome meeting
	2.45pm – Year 6 welcome meeting
Tuesday 19 th September	Reception and Year 1 drama workshops
Wednesday 20 th September	Year 2 and Year 3 drama workshops
Thursday 12 th October	Class, individual and sibling photos
Monday 23 rd – Friday 27 th October	HALF TERM HOLIDAY



Summer Holiday Programmes



1-25th August 2023
Tuesday - Friday
10am - 2pm
Lunch included!



KIDS VOGUE STARS
PERFORMING ARTS

Summer Playscheme
4-11 year olds



Grove Park Community Group
268 Baring Road SE12 0DS

Dance classes,
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coaching, Arts and Crafts
& free play!

Free for families accessing free school meals. Limited spaces available. Book now on 0208 922 1904 or 07943719496 or email info@kidsvoguestars.co.uk



Short Swimming Courses

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The Better run leisure centres in Lewisham are doing 5 day short swimming courses at Forest Hill Pools and Glass Mill Leisure Centre - £40 for 5 days.

Forest Hill Pools: 24 July – 18 August 2023

Foundation classes - 9.00am, 9.30am 10.00am 10.30am 11.00am and then a **Development Class** at 11.30am - 12.00pm

Glass Mill Leisure Centre: 24 July – 1 September 2023

Foundation classes- 9.00am, 9.30am 10.00am and then a **Development Class** 10.30am – 11.00am

Parents can use the code **SWIMHAPPY** to save 25%
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