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Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to the new academic year! I hope you all had a wonderful summer and got to spend some time with loved ones.

We have had a great start to the term. The children have settled into their new classes and have really enjoyed the launch of their new learning. Curriculum leaflets have been issued today so you can see some of the learning which will be taking place this term.

Thank you to those of you who were able to join our welcome meetings this week. We hope you found them helpful and informative. If you do have any questions for your child's teacher, please send an email to admin@torridonprimary.lewisham.sch.uk. We will try to respond to your query within 24 hours. Staff are

more than happy to call or to arrange a meeting.

In response to your feedback about having more notice for school events, we have published an annual calendar with some of our key events timetabled. We will add to this as the term progresses and will reissue half termly to keep you updated.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support.

Very best wishes Manda George Headteacher



Morning Drop Off

Thank you for helping us make sure the start of term ran so smoothly. The children have settled in beautifully and we are very proud of them.

From Monday, all children from Year 1 to Year 6 will make their way to class independently. Staff will be on the playground to accompany children who may need support in the first instance.

If you need to get a message to your child's teacher, please speak to the member of staff on the gate or email <u>admin@torridonprimary.lewisham.sch.uk</u>. Staff will be very happy to speak to you over the phone or make an appointment to meet with you.

Thank you

Take One Picture Celebration



This year we are taking part in the National Gallery's scheme Take One Picture, a programme to inspire a lifelong love of art and learning.

Every year the National Gallery selects one picture from its collection and shares it with primary schools across the country.

The idea is to inspire cross-curricular learning in primary classrooms. Torridon teachers will be using the picture

"Surprised" By Henri Rousseau as a starting point to deliver most of the learning for the first two weeks of term!!!

We would love to share with you some of their outcomes, so please come and visit us in the year 5 hall after school on Friday the 22nd of September to celebrate the children's learning.

PE Uniform

Children are timetabled for dance and PE lessons every week. On these days, children can come to school wearing their PE uniform (black shorts or tracksuit bottoms, white T-shirt with or without the Torridon logo and black plimsolls or trainers).

PE and dance lessons take place on the following days:



Year 1	Tuesday and Thursday
Year 2	Thursday and Friday
Year 3	Monday and Thursday
Year 4	Wednesday and Friday
Year 5	Tuesday*
Year 6	Monday and Thursday

*Year 5 are timetabled for a block of swimming lessons as their second PE slot this term.

Nursery Fun In The Sun













Reception Settling Week

We have had such fun settling into our new Reception classes this week. Look

at all the fun we have had!















Year 1 — Tigers in the Jungle



Year 1 have created their very own jungle scene as part of the Take One Picture Project.

They each drew and painted a leaf to create the jungle setting and then we added some tigers!

Year 2 - Take one Picture

Year 2 have been having lots of fun during our take one picture project. Inspired by this year's painting 'Surprise' by Henri Rousseau we created our own collages which even included a secret fact about ourselves lurking on one of the leaves. Take a look at our wonderful artwork...







Year 3 – Take one Picture

In year 3, the children have been enjoying working on our theme of "Take one Picture". We have looked at 'Surprised' by Henri Rousseau and thought about what might be happening to the tiger. The children made some insightful comments about the picture and there was lots of interesting discussion. Some children thought the tiger was a hunter others thought that the tiger was being hunted. What do you think?



Year 4 Working Together







Year 4 children really enjoyed researching facts about tigers and then worked in teams to put the tiger parts together.

Year 5 Art



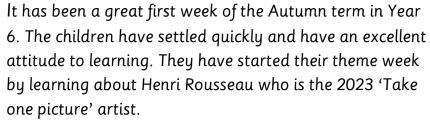




Year 5 have had an excellent start to the term displaying a real positive attitude towards their learning. They have enjoyed completing learning around the 'Take One Picture Project' especially their art where they used drawing skills to adapt the art piece 'Surprise' by replacing the animal with their own.

Year 6 Learning

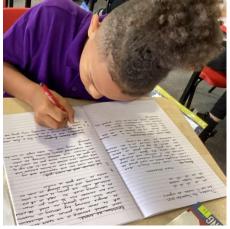






We have been writing biographies, creating artwork inspired by Rousseau and making motivational posters based on mindset, kindness and challenging ourselves. It has been a great week and we look forward to next week.







Our Wonderful Week in the Resource Base



We have had a wonderful first week.
We did jungle paintings around the
'Take one Picture' by Henri
Rosseu. We spent lots of time finding
out about people who will help and
support us around the school and how
we are going to do fantastic learning
in the resource base and our year
group classes.







Stars of the Week

Class	Name	Reason			
Nursery FT	Benjamin	For being so independent with his learning in Nursery. Well done, Benjamin			
Nursery AM	Omar	For being so kind and caring to his new friends when they have been upset. Well done, Omar ③			
Nursery PM	Darcie	For settling so well into her new environment. Well done, Darcie 🕃			
Blue Class	whole class	For settling in so well into reception! Well done 😉			
Red Class	whole class	For settling in so well into reception! Well done 🔞			
Yellow Class	whole class	For settling in so well into reception! Well done 🔞			
1M	Maisie	For coming into school with a huge smile every day and for being so kind and helpful. She has settled into year 1 beautifully, Well done!			
1N	Taran	For settling into his new class so easily. He has been confident, polite and			
		friendly and it's as if he's been with us for years! 😂			
1W	Holly	Well done for such a wonderful start to the year. You have made such an effort to be helpful and kind in our new classroom.			
2S	Katina	For settling into Torridon Primary School so well! We are so happy to have you as part of 2S! Keep up the super work ③			
2SW	2SW	For settling in so nicely into year 2! Well done! 🔞			
2V	Eunice	For her amazing efforts during our writing activities. Keep it up! 🔞			
3A	Zach	Thank you for making a fantastic poster all about where tigers live.			
3G	Eunice	For her amazing efforts during our writing activities. Keep it up! 🔞			
3S	Fatima	Fantastic start to year 3. Well done for producing some interesting facts about tigers as part of our 'Take One Picture' theme.			
4A	Ameliia	For showing kindness and respect to everybody in our community this week.			
4L	Sophia	starting her time at Torridon positively, with excellent behaviour and effort with learning			
4S	Jeraiah	For showing great perseverance and aspiring to do his best in maths.			
5C	Sapphire	For having an excellent start to the term by having a positive attitude to learning. Well done!			
5L	Thashyini	For being an excellent role model to others and being kind by helping others in their learning — well done!			
5S	5S	For settling into Year 5 well and showing eagerness for the year ahead. Well done all of you!			
6A	Ilayda	For displaying our core value of aspiration this week by remaining focused in all learning and trying her best. Keep it up!			
6C	Ellie	For such an excellent start to the year. You have been focused in all lessons and your writing has been fantastic — well done!			
6L	Lucy	For a great start to the year and demonstrating a resilient and positive attitude to learning. Well done!			
RB Blue	Izzy	Well done for coming into school on time every day and having a great start to the year.			
RB Green	Munasar	Well done for such a fantastic start to the year. You have worked so hard and been so calm in the resource base and Year 1.			

Dates For Your Diary						
Monday 11 th September	9.15 — Year 5 welcome meeting					
,	2.45 — Year 6 welcome meeting					
Tuesday 12 th September	Year 6 visit to the Horniman Museum					
	9.00 — KS1 Maths information session for parents and carers					
Tuesday 19 th September	Reception and Year 1 Drama Workshop					
	Year 3/4 Girls'Football Tournament					
Wednesday 20 th September	Year 2 and Year 3 Drama Workshop					
Thursday 21st Contour hor	9.00 Friends of Torridon PTA Annual General Meeting					
Thursday 21st September	Year 5/6 Girls' Football Tournament					
Friday 22 nd September	3.30 Take One Picture Celebration Event					
Tuesday 26 th September	9.00 — Year 3 and 4 Maths information session for parents and carers					
Tuesday 3 rd October	9.00 — Year 5 and 6 Maths information session for parents and carers					
	Mental Health Awareness Day					
Tuesday 10 th October	Year 4 visit to Museum of London Docklands					
-	Parent and carer open evening					
Wednesday 11th October	Parent and carer open evening					
Thursday 12 th October	Individual, sibling and class photographs					
Friday 13 th October	Resource Base sensory morning					
Monday 23 rd — Friday 27 th October	HALF TERM HOLIDAY					
Wednesday 1st November	Flu Immunisation (Year 1 to Year 6)					
Week Beginning 13 th November	Anti-Bullying Week					
Tuesday 14 th November	Korky Paul – illustrator visit					
Wednesday 15 th November	Resource Base to Panathlon Sports Festival					
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need					
Friday 24 th November	INSET DAY					
Week beginning 4 th December	Whole school assessment week					
Thursday 7 th December	School Disco					
Monday 11 th and Tuesday 12 th December	Whole school art exhibition					
Wednesday 13 th December	Nursery and Reception Christmas Performance					
Thursday 14 th December	9.00 Year 1 Christmas assembly					
	2.45 Year 2 Christmas assembly					
Friday 15 th December	9.00 Year 3 Christmas assembly					
	2.45 Year 4 Christmas assembly					
Monday 18 th December	9.00 Year 5 Christmas assembly					
	2.45 Year 6 Christmas assembly					
Tuesday 19 th December	Christmas jumper day					
	Christmas Lunch					
Wednesday 20 th December	Last day of term — 2pm finish					
Thursday 21st December to Friday 5th	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY					
January						
Monday 8 th January	First day of spring term					



Weekly Attendance by Class

Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance	
1M	100%	3A	98%	5C	77%	
1N	90%	 3G	95%	5L	91%	
1W	93%	3S	94%	5S	94%	Little Tally
2S	96%	4A	95%	6A	91%	
2SW	95%	4L	95%	6C	93%	
2V	91%	45	88%	6L	84%	

Dance Ability Bookings



Come and experience the joy of dance in Dance Ability! A fun and creative weekly dance class, specifically designed for young dancers between learning ages 5 – 12 years with cognitive and/or physical disabilities, or who identify as neurodivergent.

Led by experienced inclusive dance artist, Vicki Busfield, Dance Ability uses props, music and movement to boost confidence, physicality and social interaction skills.

Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity for your child to explore their creativity and express themselves in a safe and supportive environment!



Day Saturdays
Times
13:15-14:00h for 5-6 years
13:30-14:15h for 7-12yrs
All participants dance together from 13:00-14:00h
Autumn Term Dates 9 Sept-9 Dec
Teacher Vicki Busfield
Learning Ages 5-12
Cost per session £9 / £3.50 (concession)
Venue Laban Building, Creekside, \$E8.3DZ



Scan the QR code to find out more or email shortcourses@trinitylaban.ac.uk

trinitylaban.ac.uk/take-part



Fun Play for Children with SEND



Open Morning – Christ's Hospital



OPEN MORNING
INVITATION
SATURDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2023

Year 7, Year 9 and Sixth Form Entry

We warmly invite current Year 5 pupils and their families who are considering secondary education in September 2024 to our Open Morning on Saturday 9
September, book today.

Support for Parents

TALKING TEENS





Family Thrive Early Help Co-ordinators are running a free course for parents or carers of teenagers and pre-teens who are looking to better understand and communicate with them – It offers an opportunity to understand what's going on in the adolescent brain and how to understand their feelings and behaviours using an authoritative parenting style. Sessions will focus on relationships within the family, communication, negotiation, decision-making and strategies to reduce conflict.

- relationships between teenagers and parents/carers
- a calmer home life
- confidence when talking about difficult issues
- an understanding of teenage needs and development

ald be eligible to attend this course?

- Parents and carers of pre-teens and teenagers who are currently in years 6 & 7 but there may be availability for years 5 & 8
- There is no physical or extremely challenging behaviour present in or outside of the family home. This course focuses on the importance of empathy and positive discipline
- Family must reside in Lewisham borough

How long is the course?

- . Each group is 4 sessions over the course of 4 weeks
- 2 hours per session (10.00am-12.00pm on Wednesdays)

For more information or to register your interest, please email our duty box: EHCFamilyThrive@lewisham.gov.uk









TY TRAINING COURSE



- · Bring your children along (18 months 5 years)
- Fun activities



- Potty Training Guide
- Refreshments
- Two Potty Training Resources



12TH SEPTEMBER 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

DATE 2 3RD OCTOBER 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM



DATE 3 17TH OCTOBER 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM



Honor Oak

Community Centre 50 Turnham Rd, SE4 2JD

Register Here:

helpinghandconsultancy@outlook.co

For More Information:

helpinghandconsultancy.uk









22.8.23- 7.11.23 (Tuesday) 10:30am-12:30pm **Honor Oak Community Centre**

Learn through play

Managed

50 Turnham Rd, London

Online Today



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Therapeutic Parenting Programme

Our Therapeutic Parenting group is for parents and carers with a child who

either has a diagnosis or may have ADHD. Your child may also display behaviours that make places and spaces unsafe to be in, or cause serious harm to themselves and others

This course is not suitable for children with a diagnosis of ASD.

Downderry **Children and Family** Centre

Activities: Storytelling

Arts & crafts

Music & dance

Talking helps Healthy eating

Potty training course

Fun games

Painting

Drama Garden activities

Poetry

Shroffold Road, BR1 5PD

Coffee Morning Friday 15th Sept 9.30am - 11:30am

Course Runs Fridays 22nd Sept- 22nd Dec 9.30am - 11:30am

Age group: 4-11 years

Help improve:

- Your child's self-esteem & mental health
- Relationships
- · Resilience and
- stress
- as a parent





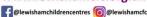
Learn alongside other parents about:

- · Why taking the time to play is important.
- How language can help to manage emotions.
- Creating and enforcing boundaries.
- · How to help your child calm down
- · Recognising the positives and how praise helps
- · How incentives can help with behaviour change.
- Understanding consequences and how and when they are helpful.

"Before I came onto these sessions I used to think there was something wrong with my child, but after coming onto these sessions I learnt something about myself" - parent

To enquire or book your place please contact us via www.lewishamcfc.org.uk/contact-us/ or call 07377 724243







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AGE GROUPS

- Under 6 (9-10am)
- Under 8 (10-11am)
- Under 10 (11-12pm)
- Under 11 (12-1pm)
- Under 12 (1-2pm)
- Under 14 (2-3pm)





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23/24 SEASON TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE

WE WANT TO KEEP FOOTBALL ACCESSIBLE TO ALL SO FOR THE 2023/24 SEASON WE HAVE INTRODUCED:

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YOU CHOOSE WHAT YOU CAN AFFORD! PURCHASE BY FOLLOWING THE LINK IN THE CAPTION OR EMAIL TICKETS@LBCFC.CO.UK FOR MORE DETAILS

OFFER ENDS 30TH SEPTEMBER

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