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Dear parents and carers,

We have had a lot of very exciting curriculum events this week. We had tarantulas, snakes, lizards, frogs and their owner visiting Reception and history workshops for the children in years 2, year 4 and year 5. 1N and 1W had a wonderful time on their trips to the Ragged School Museum. 1M can't wait for their turn next week. Year 6 learnt a lot about keeping themselves safe and making good choices at their citizenship event at Lee Fire Station.

Thank you to Edie's dad who has been back in school this week helping some of the year 5 children to make more planters for our allotment. The rain we have had in the last week or so has woken up lots of the seeds and seedlings and we are starting to see lots of greenery shooting up around the school.

We have now closed the survey regarding our new childcare provision. Thank you to those of you who took the time to share comments, questions and suggestions. We have collated your queries and I have written to you with our responses (see letter attached). We will continue to update you in the next few weeks but don't hesitate to get in touch in the meantime if you have any further questions.

Whatever you are doing over the long weekend, I hope you have a lovely time with friends and family.

Warm wishes

Manda George

Headteacher



## The Big Seed Sow Event – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May



Due to today's wet weather we have postponed the BIG SEED SOW event.

We will now be hosting a planting stall in the playground after school on **FRIDAY 10th MAY**.

You are invited to plant a sunflower seed in a pot to take home for a **cash donation of £1.00**.

All funds raised will be used for our ever-growing Allotment and Forest School.

## Torridon Summer Fair – Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July

### Help plan the Summer Fair

Friends of Torridon PTA is thrilled to announce that we're planning a Summer Fair for Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> July!

The event can only go ahead with a team of volunteers to plan and run it. Can you help make it happen? Join the Summer Fair Planning Committee WhatsApp group or email [friendsoftorridonpta@gmail.com](mailto:friendsoftorridonpta@gmail.com) to get involved.



## Pass It On Torridon!



Friends of Torridon PTA will be running a uniform & book sale in the playground at pick-up on Friday 10th May 2024.

**\*\* PTA are making a call for donations of any used school clothes and books which can be passed on to other families\*\***

If your little one is not so little anymore and last year's uniform no longer fits, please pass it on!. Likewise, if you have a couple of books in good condition that you would like someone else to enjoy, pass them on!

Donations can be left with the office team.

On the day, we will also have a drop off point for local food bank donations. **Please only bring food on the day!**



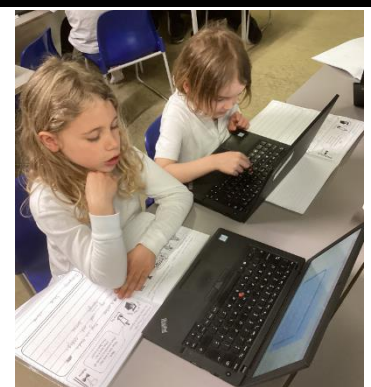
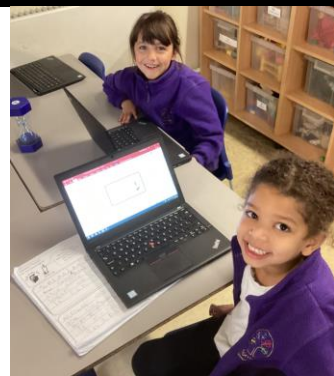
## Reception – Minibeast Workshop



Reception had an amazing minibeast workshop this week! They learnt all about different minibeasts including lizards, snakes and tarantulas! They even had the chance to hold or touch some of the creatures!



## Year 1 – Victorian Toy Museum



Year 1 have been learning all about the Victorian Era. We explored the Victorian Toy Museum and talked about all the different artefacts. We learned that Victorian toys are not the same as toys today and most of them were made from wood. We typed up information about the different toys to add to the museum.



This Jack in the box is made from wood. When you twist the handel it wil pop out and skair you.



This spinning top when you are bored you can spin the spinning top.



This Daibolo dos fantasit triks. it looks just like a yoyo. It is made out of wood.



This Jumping Jack clown is made of wood when you tuch the stik it moves its arms and legs.





# Year 2 – Great Fire of London

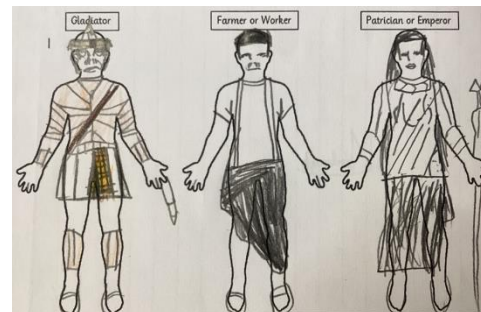
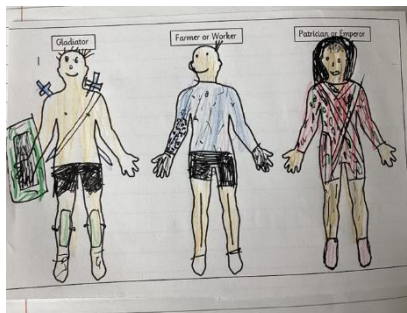
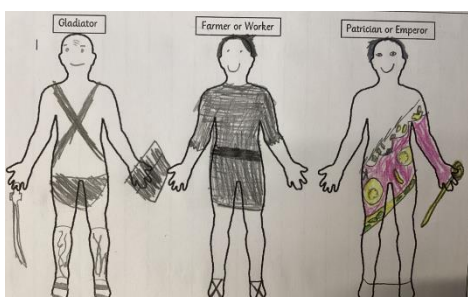
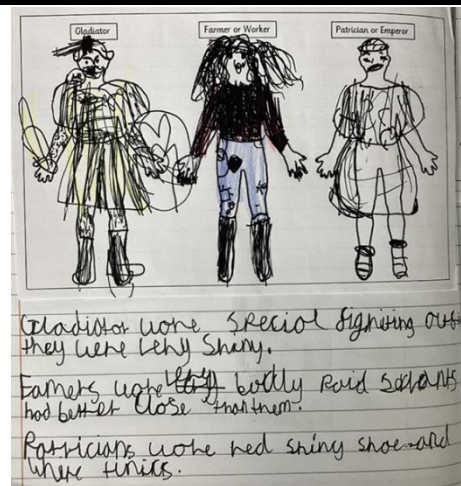


Today, year 2 had a workshop all about the Great Fire of London. During the session we had lots of fun acting out scenes from 1666 and imagined what it would be like to live in that smelly era! We enjoyed participating in lots of drama and roleplay throughout the workshop and even imagined what it would be like if we interviewed some of the key figures from The Great Fire of London.



# Year 3 - Roman Society

This week in history, we have been exploring the different aspects of Roman society. We learnt about the statuses of different Romans; Emperors/patricians, farmers/workers and slaves/gladiators. We learnt that their clothes were indicative of their status and wealth. We had lots of fun drawing clothing for each Ancient Roman, thinking carefully about what they would wear.





# Year 4 - Vikings

This week Year 4 took part in a hands-on Vikings workshop. We explored Viking artefacts and made Viking coins. We even learnt to write in Runes. It was really fun!



In Dance this term, Year 4 have been exploring the theme of The Vikings. The children have been working at creating longer pieces of choreography using props to create a Long Boat, become Viking Warriors using slow motion and dance relationships to develop an understanding of communicating a theme.

This week the children performed brilliantly in character and were able to discuss their dance making ideas.



## Year 5 – Ancient Greece Workshop

This term in year 5 the children are learning about Ancient Greeks in history. The children were taken back in time to an Ancient Greek workshop by Freshwater Water Theatre Company. The children were guided through interactive activities, storytelling, the history of Ancient Greek, mythology through drama. Their imaginations were ignited and their passion for more was evident throughout the workshop.



## Year 6 – Junior Citizens

This week, Year 6 participated in a Junior Citizens event held at Lee Fire Station. The presenters delivered topics of expertise in view of making the transition from Primary to Secondary easier - providing tools for them to become a good citizen.

The following topics were covered:

Fire Safety – London Fire Brigade

Personal Safety – Met Police (Safer Schools Team)

Internet Safety – Met Police (Youth Engagement Team)

Road Safety – Lewisham Council

Bus/Tube Safety – Transport for London

Reyhan 6L – I enjoyed learning about online safety, road safety and what to do during a fire – it was all really helpful!

Eunice 6L – I had never been to a fire station before so it was a great opportunity.

Nikisha 6L – The school trip helped me to learn more about keeping safe. I also enjoyed saluting the officers!





# Pallet Planters

We have been lucky enough to have Amyas back in school this week to work with children to build more planters for our Allotment area.

This time children from Year 5 joined in with the build.






The children learnt about how the planters were being built from recycled wood and enjoyed using real tools to complete their task.



Many of the children are now keen to sign up to be an ECO Leader and help our school's pledge towards sustainability.

## Weekly Attendance

Class	Attendance		Class	Attendance		Class	Attendance	
1M	97%		3A	97%		5C	93%	
1N	90%		3G	98%		5L	97%	
1W	97%		3S	93%		5S	91%	
2S	96%		4A	97%		6A	94%	
2SW	98%		4L	96%		6C	96%	
2V	96%		4S	97%		6L	94%	

Well done to all the classes who have won the attendance cup this week. Keep up the good work!

## Dates For Your Diary

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	1M to The Ragged School Museum
	Blue Pathway – Tate Modern Workshop
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 hockey tournament
	Pass It On Torridon Uniform and Book Sale
	The Big Seed Sow Event
Week beginning 13 <sup>th</sup> May	YEAR 6 SATS WEEK
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 4 to London Symphony Orchestra concert
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	5pm Year 6 School Journey drop in session
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	9am – Piano performance for parents and carers
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	9am - Guitar performance for parents and carers
	Year 5 and 6 girls' cricket tournament
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Year 3 and 4 tennis tournament
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> – Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 School Journey
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Reception vision and hearing screening
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 and 6 boys' cricket tournament
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY</b>
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 and 6 tennis tournament
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	FAMILY FUN RUN – Forster Park
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	9am - secondary transfer coffee morning for y5 parents who have children with an EHCP
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	5pm - Year 5 secondary transfer meeting
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	<b>INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN</b>
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Create Day with the Royal Opera House
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	9am Year 5 Steel Pans performance
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	9am – Year 3 Ukulele performance
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Drum Fun performance
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Welcome meeting for new reception parents and carers
Week beginning Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole school assessment week
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fair
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery and Reception sports day
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer music concert
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 1 and 2 sports day
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 sports day
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 6 production
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term – 2pm finish





## Top WoWs for week beginning Monday 29th April 2024

Reception



Instrumental Lessons

Year 1



Summer 1 Clay  
Magdalene  
Odundo



Summer 1 Clay  
Magdalene  
Odundo



Summer 1 Clay  
Magdalene  
Odundo



Spring 2 Instrumental Lessons



Summer 1 Clay  
Magdalene  
Odundo

Year 2



Recorder - repertoire gathering



Recorder - repertoire gathering



Recorder - repertoire gathering



Recorder - repertoire gathering

Year 3



Playing the Blues



Playing the Blues



Playing the Blues



Playing the Blues



Summer

Year 4



Summer 1-Clay  
birds-Magdalene  
Odundo



Summer 1-Clay  
birds-Magdalene  
Odundo



Summer 1-Clay  
birds-Magdalene  
Odundo



Summer 1-Clay  
birds-Magdalene  
Odundo



Summer 1-Clay  
birds-Magdalene  
Odundo

Year 5



Practice makes Perfect



Practice makes Perfect



Summer 1-Clay  
birds-Magdalene  
Odundo



Summer 1-Clay  
birds-Magdalene  
Odundo



Summer 1-Clay  
birds-Magdalene  
Odundo

Year 6



Summer 1-Clay  
birds-Magdalene  
Odundo



Summer 1-Clay  
birds-Magdalene  
Odundo



Summer 1-Clay  
birds-Magdalene  
Odundo



Summer 1-Clay  
birds-Magdalene  
Odundo



Music Technology - Mixing and Effects



## STARS OF THE WEEK



	Name	Reason
Nursery FT	Amoiya	For being kind to her friends. Well done, Amoiya! 😊
Nursery AM	Stephanie	For working hard with her numbers to 10. Well done, Stephanie! 😊
Nursery PM	Rasha	For working hard with her phonic sounds and writing her letters this week. Well done, Rasha! 😊
Blue Class	Beatrice	For her willingness and enthusiasm to learn, share ideas and for the effort she puts into her writing. Well done, Bea!
Red Class	Mubashir	For trying his best with his writing. Well Done!
Yellow Class	Kaylan	For working hard in phonics. Well Done!
1M	Eliza	For becoming more independent and trying hard in our writing lessons. Keep it up Eliza! 😊
1N	Baran	For working on his spelling and presentation. His writing has improved so much. Keep up the great work! 😊
1W	The Whole Class	For being fantastic on our school trip! Everyone represented Torridon School so well! 😊
2S	Arif	For always following our school rules and for continuously displaying such brilliant integrity. We are so happy to have you in 2S – Well done Arif! 😊
2SW	Shahista	For always doing the right thing and being a good role model. Well done Shahista! 😊
2V	Xena	For her beautiful handwriting. Well done 😊
3A	Liam	For demonstrating a really positive attitude to your learning all week. Well done!
3G	Junior	Focused attitude towards his learning. Well done Junior, keep it up 😊
3S	Phaedra	For producing some amazing work in history. Well done Phaedra 😊
4A	Kenny	For showing resilience in your learning this week. Keep it up!
4L	Ayaan T	For trying hard in his learning this week, particularly in Maths. Well done Ayaan T!
4S	Yacine	For demonstrating a consistently fantastic attitude to learning at school and home. Fabulous spelling scores!
5C	Hirav	For excellent participation during sensory circuit and working hard during his reading group. Well Done!
5L	Reis	For providing quality input during writing lesson and having a mature approach to your learning. Well done!
5S	Carlelle	For his determination in his learning this week, particularly in writing and maths, truly impressive. His hard work is evident in the learning produced. Keep up the fantastic effort. Well done!
6A	Kyp	For his aspiration to be an excellent writer- always checking his writing using the Year 6 writing framework and the success criteria.
6C	Nawel	For demonstrating resilience and aspiration during maths lessons this week. Well done.
6L	Cayden	For going above and beyond this week in his writing by completing additional learning at home. He has shown a real dedication to developing his writing skills. Well done!
RB Blue	Lotanna	Well done for persevering during maths and producing fantastic learning.
RB Green	Munasar	Well done for being so resilient on the Y1 school trip.



## Clubs and Events

GEORGINA BOBB TV IS HOSTING ....

29th & 30th MAY

# MEDIA YOUTH CLUB

MAKE YOUR OWN TV SHOW

£25 PER SESSION PER CHILD

Weds 29th MAY  
The Albany, Red Room, Douglas Way, London SE8 4AG

Thurs 30th MAY  
St Hughs Community Centre  
42 Castledine Road, Anerley, London SE20 8PL

REGISTER TODAY!

Ages 8-11  
11am - 1pm

Ages 12-15  
2pm - 4pm  
at both venues

email: [hello@georginabobb.tv](mailto:hello@georginabobb.tv) or whatsapp  
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### MONDAY 7:30pm - 8:30pm

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No Membership Fee



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CAMP WEEK

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TUESDAY -  
THURSDAY

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# Online Safety

## What Parents & Educators Can Learn from the OFCOM MEDIA REPORT 2024

Each year, Ofcom – the UK's regulatory body for communications – produces an overview of children and parents' media experiences over the course of the previous year. At the time of writing, the latest of these reports, 'Children and parents: media use and attitudes 2024' has just been published, and we've plucked out some of its most thought-provoking findings regarding online safety.

### ONLINE LIVES

**99%**  
of 8-17s  
had regular  
access to the  
Internet

**65%**  
of 13-17s  
prefer short videos  
to films and TV

**34%**  
experienced  
harassment or  
bullying online

**11-18s**  
felt more confident  
communicating online (71%)  
than in person (53%)

**87%**  
of 8-17s  
felt pressure to be  
popular on social media

### SCREEN TIME

By children's age group, the percentage of parents who felt less able to manage their child's screen time were ...



### POPULAR PLATFORMS

Most used by children ...

Under-12s

Over-12s

YouTube  
**89%**

YouTube  
**88%**

WhatsApp  
**37%**

WhatsApp  
**82%**

TikTok  
**35%**

TikTok  
**78%**

Snapchat  
**27%**

Snapchat  
**73%**

Instagram  
**22%**

Instagram  
**69%**

### ONLINE GAMING

**68%** of children played video games online

Who did these children most commonly play with?

**74%**  
played with  
someone they know

**32%**  
played with  
strangers

### ONLINE SAFETY IN SCHOOLS

**93%** 8-17s had at least one lesson about online safety

**93%** of children are aware of at least one thing they can do to stay safe online

**91%** children found these lessons useful

**78%** of 8-17s were aware of age restrictions for apps

**40%** admitted to faking their age to bypass these limits

### PARENTAL CONCERNS

The things that most commonly worry parents and carers about their child being online include ...

**77%** seeing age-inappropriate content

**70%** being harassed or bullied

**68%** seeing pro-self-harm content

**62%** having their data gathered by companies

**59%** being influenced by extreme views

**55%** having their reputation damaged

**51%** being pressured to spend money

### DEVICES MOST USED TO GO ONLINE

3-4s  
**67%**  
use tablets

5-7s  
**77%**  
use tablets

8-10s  
**73%**  
use tablets

11-15s  
**95%**  
use phones

16-17s  
**97%**  
use phones

#WakeUpWednesday

The National College