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12<sup>th</sup> July 2024



Dear parents and carers,

I am very excited to let you know that work started this week to lay the foundations for our Creative Corner outdoor classroom. The builders were in to dig the spaces and concrete the ground ready for the posts to go in for the canopy roof. The children were very keen to watch the skips being filled and the concrete being mixed in preparation. We will keep you updated as the space continues to develop.

Thank you for your patience with the new systems being set up for our wraparound care. The admin team have been working hard to make sure they are on hand to help with any enquries and to support you with payments. Please remember, you will need to pay your £30.00 deposit before Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July in order to secure your place. As always, if you have any questions, please get in touch with a member of the team:

#### admin@torridonprimary.lewisham.sch.uk

In September, we will be working with Drumbeat Outreach Inclusion Service as part of a national project called PINS. PINS stands for Partnership for Inclusion of Nerodiversity in Schools. we will be looking at how we support and meet the needs of children with additional needs, including Special Educational Needs and Disabilities, and considering whether there are



things we could do in a different way. We are very keen to work in partnership with parents and carers and would like to invite your views about what is going well and what we may need to think about as we move forwards. We would be grateful if you could complete this very short survey to let us know what you think (see QR code and link below). Your feedback will be very helpful in shaping the project in the autumn term.

#### https://forms.office.com/e/yxw8TZJLt3

I hope to see many of you at the summer fair on Sunday (12.00 – 4.00pm). The PTA have been working very hard to get everything ready for a wonderful day.

Very best wishes Manda George Headteacher



## PINS Survey

Dear parents,



Your school has been selected to be part of the exciting

national PINs project between Sept 24 and March 25.

PINs stands for Partnerships for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools.

The project aims to offer support from Health and Education professionals working collaboratively with schools and parent carers to strengthen relationships between all stakeholders and help shape SEND support in your school for all neurodivergent students.

Meaningful collaboration with parents/ carers is vital to the success of this project and we invite all parents to take part in the survey below.

We really want to know what you think.

See link below and QR code

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## Torridon Bake Off



# Summer Fair - Sunday 14th July, 12-4pm

The fair is almost here! Entry is free, and all are welcome. We have an exciting lineup of live entertainment, food and drinks, games and activities, plus raffle prizes worth over £1000. Check out what's on here.

Save queue time at the fair and pre-purchase your Torridon Tickets and Adults' Raffle entries!



Torridon Tickets are 50p each and will be accepted as payment throughout the fair. Some stalls will also accept card payment, but you'll need Torridon Tickets for games and activities. Order tickets on ParentPay by the morning of Thursday, 11th July, and they'll be distributed to your child's classroom on Friday, 12th July.

Entries into our Adults' Raffle are £1 each and can be purchased via our <u>SumUp shop</u> until the morning of Friday, 12th July. We'll fill in your entry slips for you and send you an email to confirm your entry numbers. Please note, you must be 18+ to enter this raffle. There will be a separate prize draw just for kids on the day of the fair.



Torridon Tickets and raffle entries will also be available for purchase by cash or card from the stall in the KS1 playground at the fair.

#### Volunteer at the Summer Fair

The Summer Fair is a large scale event that requires support from lots of volunteers on the day. To fully open all of our stalls, we need about 50 people helping out at any given time throughout the 4-hour event. Can you help make the fair happen? Learn more about what's involved here.

Sign up here

## **Sports Day Overview**

## Monday 15th July - EYFS Sports Day @ Torridon School

- 9:30am start
- 6 game rotation
- 11:00am 11:20am Community races
- 11:30 end

#### Thursday 18th July - KS1 Sports Day @ Abbotshall

- 9:30am start
- 6 game rotation
- 11:00am games finish
- 11:00am Y1 & Y2 sprint finals
- 11:30 Community races
- 12:00pm finish

#### Friday 19th July - KS2 Sports Day @ Abbotshall

- 9:30am start
- 12 game rotation
- 12:30pm games finish
- 12:30 1:15 lunch @ Abbotshall
- 1:15pm Y3-Y6 sprint finals
- 1:45pm Community races
- 2:00pm Community football match: Staff vs Saturday League school teams
- 2:30pm Community football match: Staff vs Families & Friends
- 3:00pm finish



## Nursery - Art



This week in nursery, we have been exploring paint.
We have been colour mixing and painting using cotton buds instead of brushes



which has helped our fine motor skills.



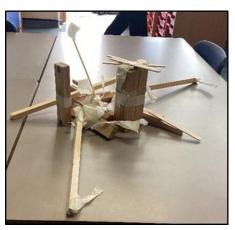




## Year 1 - DT

Year 1 have had a busy week full of DT! We followed Lila's instructions to make her favourite Kenyan dish, 'Kuku Paka'.

We've also been investigating balance and trying to find the best way to make a structure more secure.

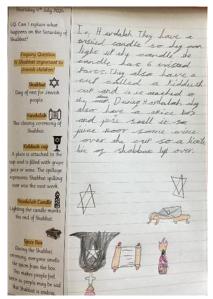


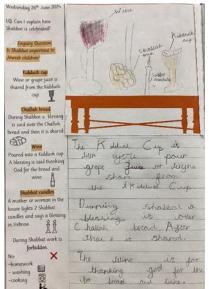


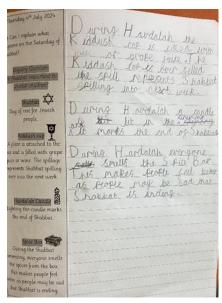


## Year 2 - Shabbat

Year 2 have had fun during RE learning all about Shabbat. We found out that Shabbat is the Jewish sabbath (rest day) and that it starts on Friday at sunset and ends on Saturday at sunset. There are many rituals that take place, such as the candles, the prayers, the kiddush, the festive meals and the Havdalah ceremony. It was so interesting!







## Year 3 - DT

For DT, year 3 designed and made a healthy snack. We used peppers, couscous, chickpeas and carrots to make stuffed peppers. We used peelers followed by the bridge and claw technique to prepare the carrots. After combining the filling, we used freshly squeezed lemon juice and fresh mint to season the mixture. Dinner is served!

Heating instructions.

- 1. Drizzle with a little olive oil.
- 2. Top the stuffed pepper with grated cheese optional.
- 3. Place the pepper on a baking tray.
- 4. Place in a pre-heated oven, 170°C or mark 5, for 20 minutes. Alternatively, cook in an air fryer for 10 minutes.
- 5. Eat with some fried chicken or a lovely, green salad.



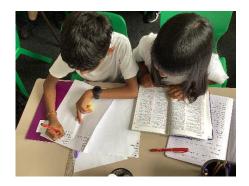


## Year 4 - Poetry

We have been spending our writing lessons looking at the poem 'Tyger Tyger' by William Blake. We then replaced some of the nouns, adjectives and verbs with our own ideas to create nonsense poems. The end result was really funny! We will publish our poems next week.

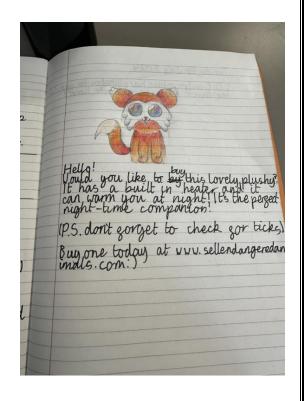






## Year 5 - PSHE

In Year 5, our students have been engaging in thought provoking discussions on gender stereotypes. They had a debate on historical rules enforced on women, which sparked insightful conversations and reflections. Following this, the students channelled their creativity and designed a toy free from gender-stereotyped colours, aimed at being inclusive and enjoyable for everyone.



## Year 6 - Reprezent



Year 6 have continued to take part in a series of transition events. This week, Reprezent brought the 'Stepping Up' show to the children. The show is an interactive mental health educational TV show

delivered into schools. The interactive TV show is delivered by youth presenters. During the 30-minute presentation, it addressed anxieties around transition in a safe space by helping young people:

Explore these common anxieties and hear from Year 7s about their

experiences

 Notice symptoms of stress and anxiety in themselves

- Understand that stress and anxiety affect everyone especially when facing change
- Learn key tools to manage them with 'Stepping Up"s Mental Health 5-aday + other strategies



Find out about local services for their age group if they need more support.

## Resource Base

We have been learning about features of our local area. This week, we went out to walk around Forster Park to see if we could spot different features we had learned about earlier in the week. The weather was not on our side, and we got very wet!

We have continued to develop our speaking, listening and debating skills in Blue Pathway. The children are working really hard to listen to opposing views and wait their turn to speak. They are also beginning to use their own sentence starters to begin their argument, which is great!





## Sewing Club Update



The children have worked very hard this term, and we are super proud of their work, as are they!



## Lego Club Exhibition

Here is a small selection of amazing models from Lego Club this term. The children worked really hard to create the best models ever. We had some terrific teamwork, and the children were very enthusiastic to explain their creations to the adults at the end of term exhibition.







## **Forest School News**



What a busy term we have had at forest school! We joined in with the Wildlife Trust's #30dayswild identifying snails, slugs and butterflies. We even introduced wild yoga into our forest school sessions!



The nursery children embraced the National Insect Week by discovering lots of minibeasts in our woodland habitat.

The resource base children incorporated their learning of 'Our local area' by using a map of forest school to locate hidden animals.



The year 2 children have been learning about 'Indian Adventures' so made their own wooden Indian tribal drums with a forest school twist!

The reception children enhanced their tool work at forest school and made their own wooden toy spinners.



We have introduced a music area into the woodland and the children have been creating some amazing sounds. We even have our own band The Forest School Foxes!



After school club made stepping stones using mosaic tiles and cement to brighten up our access to the pond area.



As always, we celebrated the end of our forest school term with a campfire treat!





## Top WoWs for week beginning Monday 8th July 2024



























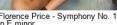






Composing the Blues









Florence Price - Symphony No. 1 in E minor

Dates for Your Diary					
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery and Reception sports day				
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 recorder performance				
	Resource Base to Forster Park				
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition morning				
	4.30pmWhole school summer music concert				
	Year 6 picnic				
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> (5.30pm)	Year 6 production				
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July (9.15am)	PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIMES				
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July (5pm)	Year 6 leavers' disco				
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Community Celebration Event				
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 leavers' assembly				
Thursday 25 July	Last day of term — 2pm finish				

## Weekly Attendance

Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance		Class	Attendance	
1M	87%	3A	99%	Samuel Control	5C	96%	
1N	90%	3G	90%		5L	96%	
1W	89%	3S	93%		<b>5</b> S	99%	
25	98%	4A	97%		6A	94%	
2SW	95%	4L	93%		6C	88%	
2V	91%	4S	93%		6L	93%	

Well Done to All the Classes Who Won The Attendance Cup This Week!

## Lewisham Donation Hub

As we approach the Summer holidays if your anything like my household we do a declutter old uniform, shoes that don't fit, coats never worn, shirts still in the package now too small or making room for new toys, art and creative materials and kitchenware. If you have anything still has life or even better new but needing a new home, please do get in touch. Lewisham donation hub needs you!



Click Here:

https://lewishamdonationhub.org/



#### STARS OF THE WEEK



Class	Name	Reason				
Nursery FT Thomas		For being a good role model during tidy up time. He showed his friends how to put the				
		wooden blocks away. Well done, Thomas! 🕲				
Nursery AM	Asmithaa	For being kind to her friends and being very helpful during tidy up time. Well done,				
		Asmithaa! 🝪				
Nursery PM	Taisija	For working hard this week on writing her name. Well done, Taisija! 😂				
Blue Class	Alicja	For always being such a kind friend to others and for always putting so much effort into				
		her learning. Well done, Alicja!				
Red Class	Ellie	For her fantastic writing this week! Well done, Ellie 😉				
Yellow Class	Hazel	For always having a positive attitude to learning and being kind and helpful. She is a great role model, well done!				
1M	Eliza	For showing great skill and resilience during our DT lessons this week. Eliza has shown				
		brilliant concentration and has worked hard to build a balancing structure. Well done,				
		Eliza! 🔞				
1N	Kyran	For trying his best with his handwriting and for making a big effort to focus and sit				
		nicely on the carpet. Keep up the great work! 😥				
1W	Bernice	For showing great focus, creativity and skill building in our DT lessons this week. She				
		made some amazing structures! Well done Bernice 😂				
2S	Mayarah	For her hard work and determination during assessment week. It has been wonderful to				
		see you try your best and showcase your abilities. Well done, Mayarah! 🔞				
2SW	Jared	For his all of his hard work during assessment week. It has been so lovely to see him				
01/		showcasing all that he has learnt. Well done, Jared! 😇				
2V	Aren	For working incredibly hard during assessment week to show everything that he has learnt this year.				
3A	3A	You were all super adventurous for trying new types of food during RE. Well done,				
2	57.	foodies!				
3G	3G	Well done 3G for your great focus during assessment week. You are all stars! 🔞				
3\$	3\$	Well done 3S for working SO hard during assessment week. You have been AMAZING!				
		(B)				
4A	Whole Class	For working hard this week during assessments!				
4L	Sophie	for always going out of her way to help me with tidying and jobs around the				
	-	classroom.				
4\$	Maya	For showing kindness by including and valuing her peers' contributions during a group learning project in geography.				
5C	Whole Class	For brilliant focus and trying their best during assessment week!				
5L	Whole Class	For their excellent effort and determination during assessment week!				
5\$	Whole Class	For all your incredible effort, perseverance and progress during assessment week. All				
		your hard work and dedication has paid off and we are extremely proud of all of you.				
6A	Mihir	For his kindness and willingness to help and support in making the props with the year				
		6 production.				
6C	Joshua	For demonstrating integrity and showing all the torridon values! Well done 😂				
6L	Trayvon	For his creativity and innovation when making props for the year 6 production. Well done!				
RB Blue	Gabriel	Well for a fantastic week of great learning behaviour in class.				
RB Green	Victory	Well done for fantastic writing in English this week.				

## Lewisham Mental Health Support Team

## Lewisham Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust

The MHST is a school-based, early intervention and prevention service, delivered by South London & Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust (SLaM).

We regularly work in schools within Lewisham to support children, young people and families in the area of mental health and wellbeing, alongside supporting Whole School Approaches and providing guidance to schools.

More information about this can be found on our website: <a href="https://slam.nhs.uk/mhst-lewisham">https://slam.nhs.uk/mhst-lewisham</a>

As part of a summer pilot, Lewisham MHST are offering the following support to parents and carers over the summer break:



- Parent/carer-led, Guided Self-Help (GSH) interventions, for child anxiety and behaviours that challenge.
- Moving on to secondary school workshops for year 6
  pupils who are due to join secondary school in September
  2024.
- Moving on to secondary school workshops for parent/carers for year 6 pupils who are due to join secondary school in September 2024.



The face-to-face workshops will take place at Kaleidoscope Lewisham Centre, 32 Rushey Green, London, SE6 4JF and some support may be delivered online.

If you are interested in accessing any of this support over the summer or have any questions, please email <a href="mailto:lewishamMHST@slam.nhs.uk">lewishamMHST@slam.nhs.uk</a> with your contact details and a member of our team will be in touch to discuss further with you.

Lewisham CAMHS MHST are excited to offer parents and carers of children attending MHST primary schools the opportunity to access parent-led guided self-help support over the summer break. This will be aimed at pupils who may be experiencing difficulties with anxiety and behaviours that challenge. We are also keen to offer support to Year 6 pupils and their families with the transition to secondary school.

## Parent Notice Board

## Your baby & You

Learn how to support your baby's early communication and language through everyday opportunities and play

#### Would you like to

- Find out how your baby learns and develops through practical and fun activities
- Meet other parents
- · Receive free resources to take home

#### Sign up to our FREE four Week course

#### Wednesday mornings

10am - 11:30am

7<sup>th</sup> August

14<sup>th</sup> August

21st August

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#### To book a place

sign up using the QR code

or contact Angela Russell arussell@ncb.org.uk

07432739032

## For parents with babies 12 months and under

Catford Library

Opposite Iceland in the Mews

SE6 AIU







#### 1 August 2024 | 10AM - 2PM

Catford Library, London SE6 4JU



angela.russell@lewisham.gov.uk



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• ...and more fun activities!



## **Talk Matters**

Your school is taking part in **Talk Matters** activities and support to help your child develop their talking and listening skills and improve wellbeing across the school.

# Parents and carers Tell us what you think

We are researchers who have been asked to find out what difference **Talk Matters** makes in your school.

We want to hear from you.

Please scan the QR code with your phone to go to the survey.





The survey will take around 5 minutes to complete on a phone, tablet or computer.

The survey is open until the end of the school term.

Talk Matters has been developed by the Mayor of London's Violence Reduction Unit. They have asked Ecorys to carry out this research.

Your views will help your school and others to understand how well Talk Matters is working and how it could improve.

Have a question about this research? Email: TalkMattersEvaluation@ecorys.com





## Holiday Activities





Every day, 10am-3pm



www.phoenixch.org.uk/summerfun2024

or scan the QR code



Goldsmith Community Centre Castillon Road, catford, SE6 1QD



#### AGE: 6-16

Contact: 07480188192 Website: www.theceogroup.co.uk Email: info@theceogroup.co.uk

#### PRICE: FREE



#### **Omega Sportz** Summer Activity Camp

@ Baring Primary School,

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4 Weeks of Fun for Children Aged 5-12 Hot lunch Included

Week 1: 29th July – 1st Aug Week 2: 5th Aug - 8th Aug Week 3: 12th Aug - 15th Aug Week 4: 19th Aug -22nd Aug



9:00 - 13:00

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## Summer Camps at Torridon





