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10th October 2025

Dear parents and carers,

I need to start by congratulating our Year 3 and 4 boys' football team who took the winning spot in the Lewisham Games football tournament today. We are so proud of the way they represented Torridon and so grateful to Mike Church for all his hard work in training them and leading the visits to local tournaments.

It has been great to see many of the children out on trips this week. Year 4 had a wonderful time at the Museum of London Docklands and year 5 loved their trip to the Catford Broadway Theatre to see Irie Dance. Thank you to those of you who were able to volunteer your time to help out on these trips. It is very much appreciated.

Just to remind you that on Tuesday next week we will be hosting the school nursing team who will be administering flu vaccinations. Please make sure you have informed the NHS team if you do not wish your child to receive the vaccine.

I hope by now you have made an appointment to meet with your child's class teacher next week. We are very keen to tell you how well they have settled in and to show you what a great start they have made in their new classes this term.

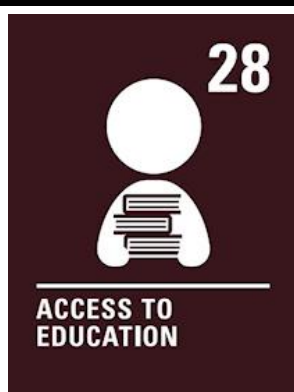
I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Manda George

Headteacher

Rights Respecting Assemblies



This week in our Rights Respecting assemblies we have been discussing Article 28~Access to Education. We had thoughtful discussions about what this means and how access to learning can look very different around the world. It made us reflect on how fortunate we are and inspired us to think about how we can value our education and make the most of every learning opportunity we have.

Torridon Harvest Appeal



Torridon plan to support Lewisham Food Bank with their harvest appeal this year. We are asking for the following donations which can be handed to your child's class teacher or Kelley on the reception gate.

Year group	Suggested items
Resource Base	Tinned meat or sweet treats
Nursery	Tinned fish or savoury treats
Reception	Tinned veg or jams/spreads
Year 1	Tinned tomatoes or toothbrushes
Year 2	Rice or deodorant
Year 3	Pasta or shower gel
Year 4	Baked beans or shampoo
Year 5	Cereal or toilet roll
Year 6	Tinned fruit or sanitary towels

Torridon Primary School are proud to support the Lewisham Foodbank and have worked closely with them since COVID to support many families in need within our community.

We hope to help as many families as we can this autumn, so every single donation will make a difference.



****Final week for donations****

OPAL Donation requests

As we begin to get cosy for the colder months ahead you may be packing up all your summer items... We are on the lookout for buckets, spades, sand toys, suitcases, sunhats and caps!!!



If you have any of these items and are happy to donate them to the school, please drop them to Kelley on the Reception gate or hand them into the office FAO:Kelley.



THANK YOU!

Meet Our Educational Psychologist

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Dr. Eartha Chaloner, our school's Educational Psychologist, will be available during our parents' evening on Tuesday 14th (5-6pm) and Thursday 16th.

She will be running drop in sessions for parents which will be held in the Inclusion Lead's office.

Eartha is available to:

discuss any concerns you have about your child's learning

discuss concerns about behaviour and or emotions

review targets if you child has seen the Educational Psychologist within the last year

Eartha will also be joining some parent meetings for additional support and advice.

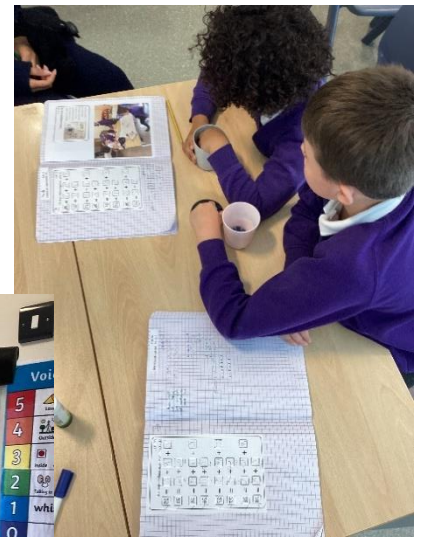
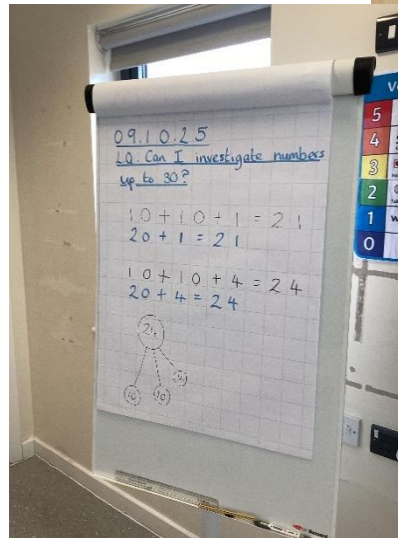
Reception

This week in reception we read the story 'Goldilocks and the three bears.' The children joined in with the story using the vocabulary – small, medium and big. In maths, we created a picnic for the three bears and the children worked together to sort the objects by size.



Resource Base

This week we have been focusing our maths on partitioning numbers to 30. We have been amazed how quickly the children have learned to identify how many tens and how many ones are in a given number.



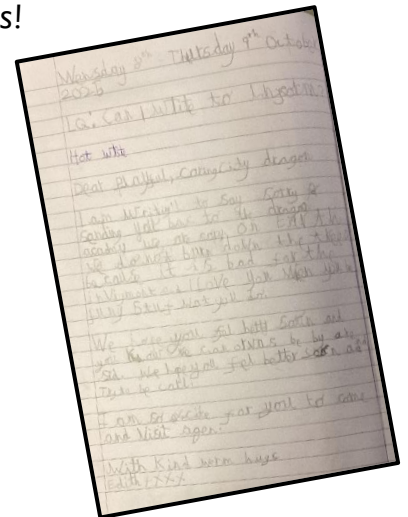
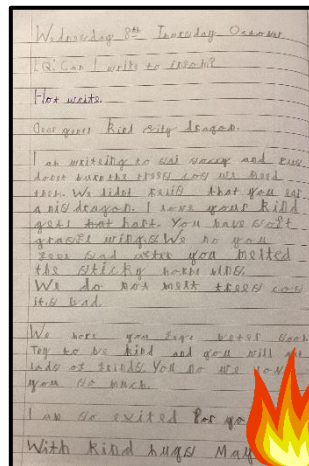
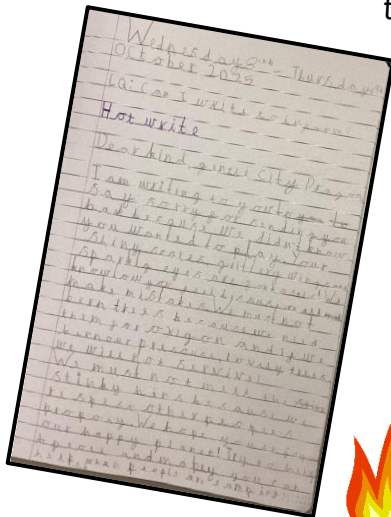
Year 1 – Eyore is Homeless!

This week, poor Eeyore lost his house, so we put our design and technology skills to work to create new homes for him! Using cutting, joining and folding techniques, we designed and built houses that would blend into his forest environment. We also imagined what Eeyore might like inside his new home and illustrated those ideas too.



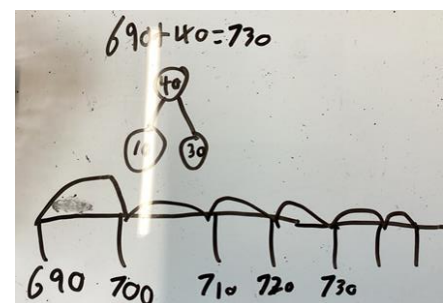
Year 2 – Persuasive Letters

This week in year 2, we had lots of fun writing our very own letters to the City Dragon. We felt terrible for judging the poor creature, especially after learning that his fiery sneeze was just because of dragon hay fever! Now, we're hoping he'll visit us at Torridon Primary School — take a look at our lovely, persuasive letters!



Year 3

This week, year three have been developing their knowledge of addition. We have been using dienes to exchange hundreds, tens and ones. Our knowledge of number bonds has helped us to complete these number sentences.



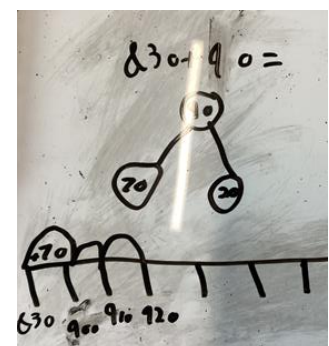
"The dienes helped me to understand part-whole models. This helped me with addition." Ayla.

"I think the dienes helped me a lot. They helped me to add because I could see what I was counting!" Kevin.

"The dienes are very helpful and they help you learn with the hundreds, tens and ones." Louie

"Using the dienes helped me figure out the maths learning." Maeve.

"The dienes helped to understand hundreds and place value." Theja



Year 4 – Victorian Trip



Year 4 had a brilliant time visiting the Museum of London Docklands this week as part of our learning about the Victorians. One of the highlights was walking through *Sailortown*, a life-sized reconstruction of a Victorian street. It gave us a vivid sense of what life might have been like for the characters in our core text.

We also took part in a hands-on workshop where we examined real artefacts from the Victorian era. Using clues and careful observation, we tried to work out what these mysterious objects were used for. Although, some were trickier than they looked! A few children even dressed up in Victorian-style clothing, which helped to bring the experience to life.

As part of our celebration of Black History Month, we had the opportunity to join a special session led by a visitor from Trinidad. She introduced us to the vibrant history of Caribbean music, including genres like soca and calypso. We clapped out rhythms, created beats with our hands, and learned how music has been used to tell stories and bring communities together.

It was an engaging and educational trip that brought history to life in so many ways!

Thank you to our lovely parents who supported us on this amazing trip.

Year 5 – Marvellous World of Multiples

This week in maths, year 5 have been investigating the marvellous world of multiples. On our very first lesson, we used unifix cubes to explore different ways of arranging arrays for a given number to deepen our understanding of factors.



Year 6 – HMS Belfast Trip

This week, year 6 had the opportunity to visit the **H.M.S Belfast**, gaining a powerful insight into life during wartime and the role of the Royal Navy in World War II. Exploring the ship's decks, living quarters and command rooms helped pupils connect their classroom learning to real-life experiences - deepening their understanding of



conflict, remembrance, and the impact of war on individuals and communities. The visit also linked closely with their reading lessons, particularly their core text *Safiyyah's War*, which explores themes of courage, resistance, and personal sacrifice during wartime. Pupils were able to draw on historical knowledge, class discussions, and even personal family connections to reflect on the experiences of characters in the novel, making the learning experience both meaningful and memorable.



Weekly Attendance

Class	Attendance		Class	Attendance		Class	Attendance	
1M	96%		3A	98%		5A	97%	
1N	98%		3G	98%		5C	94%	
1W	99%		3S	89%		5V	98%	
2E	99%		4C	92%		6L	92%	
2S	95%		4K	99%		6LG	97%	
2SW	99.3%		4S	97%		6R	97%	

Well done to all the classes with over 97% attendance this week!

Friends of Torridon PTA

Congratulations to Teresa Dybeck, Sarah Macshane, Ruth Webster, and Megan Wybrew, who have been officially confirmed as the 2025/26 PTA Board of Trustees. Get to know the trustees and learn how you can support the PTA [here](#).



**Friends of
Torridon
PTA**

Boys' Football

On Friday, 10 children from years 3 & 4 represented our school at the Lewisham games boys' football tournament at St. Dunstan's Jubilee Ground. During the event, they had to play six other schools in their league and finish in the top two to qualify for the semi-final. They played some fantastic football and went on to win all six matches, finishing top of their group! Within those games, they managed to score over 20 goals whilst conceding just 3.

The semi-final was an extremely close game. Forster Park found an equalising goal after we took an early lead, but the Torridon boys worked hard to score the deciding goal that took them to the final. In the final, Torridon had to play another unbeaten team – Stillness. After scoring early, our boys had the confidence to continue on and win the game 5-1 to be crowned as Lewisham champions! A thoroughly deserved victory – well done to our Torridon team!

Here's what some of our team players said after the event:

'I was really proud of the team for winning the trophy and trying our best. I felt nervous in the semi-final but I felt much better when we went 1-0 up!' Kylan, Year 3.

'I think we played really well as a team and we deserved the win. My favourite match was the semi-final against Forster Park as it was the hardest. Once we went 2-1 up in the final against Stillness I knew we'd go on to win. I feel really proud of myself and the team.' Robert, Year 4.



Dates for Your Diary

October	Black History Month
Wednesday 8 th October	4K trip to Museum of London Docklands
Thursday 9 th October	4S and 4C trip to Museum of London Docklands
	Year 5 trip to Catford Broadway Theatre
Friday 10 th October	Year 3 and 4 boys' football tournament
Monday 13 th October	Year 5 trip to the London Eye
Tuesday 14 th October	Reception to Year 6 flu immunisations
	Year 5 and 6 boys' football tournament
Monday 13 th and Tuesday 14 th October	Open evenings for class 3A only
Tuesday 14 th and Thursday 16 th October	Open evenings for parents and carers
Monday 20 th and Tuesday 21 st October	Black History Month workshops for yrs 1 - 6
Monday 27th – Friday 31st October	HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Friday 7 th November	Year 5 and 6 girls' football tournament
w/b Monday 10 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Wednesday 22 nd October	PTA bake sale 3:15 – 5:15pm
Tuesday 11 th November	Year 1 boys' football tournament
Friday 14 th November	Children in Need
Monday 17 th November	Individual and class photographs
Friday 21st November	INSET DAY
Monday 24 th November	Reception cinema visit
Thursday 27 th November	Reception to Year 6 height and weight screening
w/b 1 st December	Whole school assessment week
Wednesday 10 th December	Music concert
Thursday 11 th December	PTA School Disco
Friday 12 th December	Year 1 and Year 2 festive assembly performances
Monday 15 th December	Year 5 and Year 6 festive assembly performances
Tuesday 16 th December	Reception nativity performance
Wednesday 17 th December	Christmas Lunch
Thursday 18 th December	Year 3 and 4 festive assembly performances
Friday 19 th December	Last day of term
Monday 22nd December – Friday 2nd January	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
Monday 5 th January 2026	First day of spring term



STARS OF THE WEEK



Class	Name	Reason
Nursery FT	Ruby	For always making good choices and being a good friend.
Nursery AM	Noar	For always making the most of his time at nursery and exploring.
Nursery PM	Jathush	For being a kind and caring friend.
Blue Class	Alex	For his improved listening and trying his best to follow instructions.
Red Class	Sukhpreet	For fantastic name writing and blending words during phonics. She is kind and shares with everyone. Well done, Sukhpreet! 😊
Yellow Class	Simmi	For always trying her best and having a positive attitude to learning. Well done!
1M	Raielle-Renise	For always setting a positive example. She always shows respect for class expectations and is a thoughtful, caring friend to everyone. Fantastic effort – keep it up, Raielle-Renise! 😊
1N	Avery	For his fantastic attitude to learning. It's great to see his confidence grow. He is also a kind friend and a great role model. Keep up the great work! 😊
1W	Malique	For being a positive class role model. He always tries to make the right choices and is thoughtful to others which makes him a kind friend to everyone. Well done Malique!
2E	Kylah-Rae	For always taking such pride and care with her learning. This week she produced a fantastic letter in writing, full of expanded noun phrases and conjunctions for extra detail. Well done Kylah-Rae 😊
2S	Grace	For her thoughtful & friendly manner and for trying her best in all that she does! You are such an amazing role model for your peers 😊 Keep it up Grace!
2SW	Shiloh	For always being so kind and helpful. She is very caring and cheers up others when they are sad. Shiloh is an excellent role model! Well done Shiloh, keep it up! ☆
3A	Khai	For your amazing handwriting and presentation. Well done!
3G	Mateo	For confidently sharing his learning with the class. Well done Mateo! ☆
3S	Glory	For using interesting and exciting vocabulary during her independent writing. Well done, Glory. Keep up the amazing work. 😊
4K	Niveesh	For trying his best to work independently when writing his diary entry and for being a helpful member in the classroom this week.
4S	Shahista	For being an outstanding ambassador for our class on our school trip to the London Docklands Museum. The workshop facilitator was thoroughly impressed with your answer to his question. 😊
5A	Arlo	For consistently displaying the core values of excellence and aspiration in maths lessons; and for his ability to always challenge himself and explain his reasoning. Keep it up!
5C	Bjorn	For the effort he has put into his planning and writing a lovely introduction to his non-chronological report on the London Eye. Well done!
5V	Esther	For always being willing to support her peers with their learning and for showing good behaviour for learning. Well done, Esther. Keep it up. 😊
6L	Henry	For making good progress in your reading lessons and using the key pieces of evidence to support your answers. Well done and keep up the great work!
6LG	Rashid	For his outstanding behaviour on the school trip this week to HMS Belfast. He was an excellent role model to others. Well done! 😊
6R	Rhianni	For demonstrating resilience when calculating long division questions and consistently showing integrity on our visit to HMS Belfast.
Resource Base	Munasar	For trying his very best with his learning this week. He has been so focused and ready to learn! Well done Munasar!

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COMMUNITY MEALS MONDAY

🍲 Community Meal Mondays 🍲
at Mi & More

Everyone is welcome.
If you could use a hot meal, a smile, or both —
please come by.

📍 Served from the front door of Mi & More
🕒 Mondays, 12:00–3.00
❤️ Free, no questions asked

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St Andrew's Church
Christmas Tree Festival

24th-29th November 2025

We warmly invite you to take part in St Andrew's 3rd annual Christmas Tree Festival, providing and decorating your own tree, which reflects **you, your family, business, school or group** (some are clubbing together with neighbours on their street) – **it's an opportunity to be creative!**

The tree you provide will need to be:

- Artificial and no taller than 5ft
- Self-supporting, with a safe and secure stand
- Lights must be LED/battery operated

Set-up: afternoon of Sun 23rd Nov or morning of Mon 24th Nov.

Take-down: afternoon of Sun 30th Nov or morning of Mon 1st Dec.

On the main festival day – **Saturday, 29th November** – mulled wine, mince pies, festive activities and stalls will be on offer in the church Hall, in collaboration with the Corbett Library Christmas Market.

To book a tree space, please contact Christine by the 31st October:
07944 017491
cmaggs@hotmail.com



Sign up for your space today!

TORRIDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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MARKET**

**FRIDAY 28TH
NOVEMBER**

3-5PM

**VENDORS
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ABOUT OUR CAMPS!
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- Extended hours, 8am-9:30am, 4:30pm-6pm
- Sibling discounts available
- Discounts available for full week bookings

ADDITIONAL OFFERINGS

Work with childcare vouchers, Tax free childcare, Bright Horizons & CGPS
Programme provider
-school places available at selected locations

CAMP DATES

- Week 1: 20th October – 24th October
- Week 2: 27th October – 31st October

CAMP LOCATIONS

- Kingston House School
- Langley Park Prep School
- St Dunstan's College
- Sydenham High School
- Tubbenden Primary School
- Poverest Primary School
- St Christopher's The Hall
- Parish CofE Primary School



OCTOBER HALF-TERM FOOTBALL HOLIDAY CAMP



St Paul's Sports Ground, Rotherhithe, SE16 5EF



10am-3pm



Monday 27th October - Thursday 30th October



£12 per day or £40 for four days



Age 5-13 year-olds



Contact: Nfarrell@millwallcommunity.org.uk/
07932877303 for more information



Register here or visit:
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OCTOBER HALF-TERM MULTI-SPORTS HOLIDAY CAMP



The Lions Centre, Bolina Rd, SE16 3LD



10am-3pm



Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October



£12 per day or £50 for five days



Age 5-13 year-olds



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07958026876 for more information



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OPEN

Thursday 25th Sept

Open Events 2025, (Update - Additional Open Morning 14th Oct, Read more to book)

Due to popular demand, we are holding an additional open morning on Tuesday 14th October from 9:15am-10:00am. Please book in via a link on the website. Booking confirmation will be provided on Friday.

OPEN MORNINGS

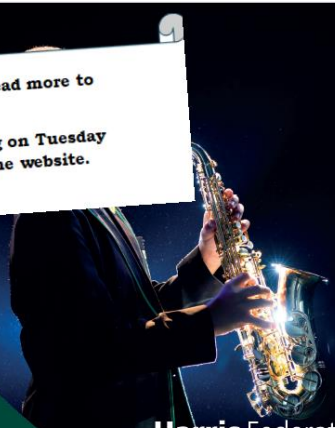
~~From Monday 6th - 13th October 2025~~

Please see academy website to book.

Tel: 020 8771 2261 **www.harriscrystalpalace.org.uk** Maberley Road, London, SE19 2JH

Harris Federation 



Dear Primary Schools,

We will be running an additional Open Event/Tour next week on **Wednesday, 15th October at 9:00 AM**.

As the deadline for Year 7 applications - September 2026 is approaching, this is a great opportunity for families to visit and learn more about our school.

We would be grateful if you could share this information with your parents.

Full details and sign-up are available on our website: <https://www.harrisdulwichboys.org.uk/>

Additionally, we will be offering a **Spanish-language tour** for families who may prefer this option.



 Wednesday, 15th October 2025

 9:00 AM

 Harris Boys' Academy East Dulwich Peckham Rye, London, SE22 0AT

 **Book a tour here:** <https://www.harrisdulwichboys.org.uk/admissions/book-a-tour>

 **Book a Spanish Tour / Visita en Español – Reserva Aquí:** [Click here to sign up](#)

If you have any questions:

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