

## Active Space - Earth Kingdom

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February

1:30pm – 4:30pm



Come along to Torriano Junior School during the half term to play on the Active space and on the pitch!

The site will be supervised by 2 members of staff from **Jubilee Hall**. Jubilee Hall is a charity that aims to build strong healthy communities by promoting the fitness and wellbeing of the individuals within them.

**Torriano Junior School staff will NOT be on site, parents must remain on site whilst children play.**

**Children may bring healthy snacks to eat, no unhealthy food.**



## E-Safety Morning



Many thanks to the parents and carers who attended an informative eSafety meeting with Mary Rebelo. The feedback from the meeting was excellent and a number of parents left feeling well-informed and better prepared to support their child using new digital technologies. If you have any queries don't hesitate to contact Mr Bioletti.

## Free Mentoring Course for Parents & Carers

There will be an opportunity next month to take part in a one off mentoring course. It will take place across two days at the Crowndale Centre. If you are interested in taking part speak to Maria Panayi ASAP as spaces are limited.



## Parent Update



## Newsletter

### Spring Term 2015: Engineering Our Future

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Fortunately, the school has recovered from the 'emergency situation' that took place last week on UNICEF Day For Change 2015. The children were swiftly mobilised into action and the school has been bustling ever since with UNICEF Day for Change activities. The children have danced, quizzed, scored and remained silent to raise awareness and funds for children in emergencies. Somehow they also found time in their demanding schedule to introduce the UNCRC to the Year 2 children during a special assembly where we screened our 'Day For Change' video. The final activity took place today, Day For Change art exhibition where the children expressed their understanding of the right to be safe. Jack Cornell, our resident Artist was awestruck by the standard of art and creativity. Well done to all of the children who exhibited their work.

Torriano's campaign 2015 has raised an astounding £1558 so far; exceeding our target amount to fund an emergency school. Some of the proceeds from the wonderful Valentines Tea today will also go towards the appeal. We cannot thank the school community enough for your overwhelming support.

We are extremely proud of the children who took part in the Camden Dance Festival. Their performance was based on our 'Their Past our Future' theme and impressed audiences from across Camden.

We return to an exciting half term of science, technology, art and mathematics (STEAM) in our 'Engineering our Future' project. The children will be embarking upon learning ventures which will culminate in our annual STEAM exhibition.

We will be holding parents evening on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> March. This will provide you with the opportunity to find out about your child(ren)'s progress and targets. You will receive a letter with further information on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February. We will also be gathering your views about the school, which will support our self-evaluation progress.

Have a lovely half term break.

Bavaani Nanthabalan and Helen Bruckdorfer

### Intention to Apply for Whole School Religious Determination

Torriano are about to apply to **renew our religious determination status**. A determination means that we are exempt from the national requirement to hold a daily act of Christian Collective worship. In keeping with the school's collective worship policy we will still come together daily, as a school community, to reflect on global issues, explore the experiences and inspiration of others and reflect on the values and aspirations which we all have in common. Once granted a determination will remain in place for five years. Should you wish to object to our intention to apply, please contact the school.

### Key Dates for Next Half Term

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
Monday 23rd February	Children return to school	9.00am
Friday 27th February	Year 2 Transition Coffee Morning	9.15am
Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd March	Parents' Evening	3.30pm
Wednesday 4th March	Class Photographs	9.00am
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day	All Day
Wednesday 11th March	6CL Class Assembly	9.30am
Friday 13th March	Parent Maths Morning	9.30am
Friday 20th March	Parent Spelling Workshop	9.30am
Wednesday 25th March	5MW Class Assembly	9.30am
Thursday 26th & Friday 27th March	STEAM Exhibition	TBC
Wednesday 1st April	Eggshibition & TCA Easter Tea	3.30pm
Thursday 2nd April	Last Day of Term	2.30pm



### Attendance Superstars!

Our Target: **96%** Attendance This Week: **96.3%**



Congratulations to **3AW** for getting **98.9%** and to **4SD** for having the fewest lates.

Year 3



Year 3 have been incredibly busy this week and have had a wonderful final week. In English their publishing skills have been put to the test. Working hard to edit and improve their work to be the best it can be, responding to the teachers 'Improve It Purple' highlighters and their peer assessment feedback. They have also had another inspirational session with our artist in residence, Jack Cornell, where they manipulated and worked digitally on their Basquiat inspired oil stick pictures. To top it all off, they ended the week with a successful UNICEF Day for Change football event!



Year 4



Last week, Year 4 were invited to visit The Place to see a creative and mesmerising dance show. The dancers had been working with 4SD for several months, generating ideas from the children all about labyrinths and how to move your body to demonstrate different emotions. The show Year 4 saw was a culmination of all of these workshops, it was a fantastic experience for the children to see their ideas come to life on the stage. 4RO were also able to delve into the world of dance by quizzing the performers after the show about what inspired them to become dancers.



Year 5



This week has been very exciting for Year 5. Not only have they started publishing their sensational Maya Creation Myths on iPads, but they also welcomed parents to their Game Show Challenge afternoon as part of their Day for Change fundraising event. After warming up their brains with a Countdown inspired 'Who can make the longest word' round, they then became creative fashion designers in the scrapheap challenge. The outcomes were wonderful ... One of the parents even modelled a hat for them!



Year 6



Year 6 have had another fantastic week! After learning about the effects of the hurricane on the Philippines, they ran a very successful fundraising event, the Year 6 Big Fat Quiz! The questions were challenging but it seemed that everyone had fun and money was raised! 30 children also visited Société Générale, in the city, to learn how Maths is used in the world around us. In Literacy we have concluded our narrative fiction that describes Albert's journey back towards Joey; this writing was inspired by War Horse by Michael Morpurgo. Well done year 6.



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