

## Term Dates: 2015 - 2016



### Autumn Term 2015

Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2015	INSET DAY
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2015	INSET DAY
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2015	Children return to school
<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2015</b>	<b>Half term holidays</b>
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2015	INSET DAY
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2015	Children return to School
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Last day of term (2.30pm)
<b>Monday 21 December 2015 to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2016</b>	<b>Christmas holidays</b>

### Spring Term 2016

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2016	INSET DAY
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2016	Children return to school
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2016</b>	<b>Half term holiday</b>
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2016	Children return to school
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2016	Last day of term (2.30 pm)
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2016</b>	<b>Easter Holidays</b>

### Summer Term 2016

Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> April 2016	Children return to school
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2016	MAY DAY HOLIDAY
<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2016</b>	<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY</b>
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2016	Children return to school
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2016	INSET DAY
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2016	Last day of term (2.30pm)



## Parent Update



## Newsletter

### Spring Term 2015: Engineering Our Future

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The children have returned to school refreshed and ready to learn. A special visit from the Paralympian Jon-Allen launched our exciting 'Engineering our future', in which each year group will be studying the development of different aspects of innovation in science and technology since WW1. Jon shared his incredible story, inspiring the Year 6 children's learning for our exhibition in March.

To celebrate World Book Day on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March the Torriano Detective Agency will be hosting a range of reading events next week, including a hint hunt and Arthur's Authors club. Our resident author Tom Avery will also be running workshops to share his writing tips with the children. We hope you can join us for an assembly at 9.15am where there will be an abundance of costumes and prizes! This will be followed by an opportunity for you to share a book and write a review with your child. Finally we will all be dropping everything and READING on this special day. We hope you can take part or support your child in some way.

It has been wonderful to welcome both staff and parents from the infant school as part of the year 2 transition programme. We have received wonderful feedback in which the parents commended the children on the confidence with which they spoke about their school. Special thanks to the year 3 parents who welcomed our prospective parents to Torriano Juniors today.

We look forward to seeing you all at parents' evening next week, where there will be an opportunity for you share your ideas and views to support further school improvement.

Have a lovely weekend.

Helen Bruckdorfer

## Upcoming Parent & Carer Workshops

### Parent Maths Morning

Friday 13th March

Year 3 & Year 4: 9.30-10.30

Year 5 & Year 6: 11.00-12.00

### Spelling Workshop

Friday 20th March

9.30 - 10.30

You will receive more information regarding both workshops next week.

## Secondary School Allocations

Year 6 pupils will receive their secondary school allocations next week. Parents who applied online will receive an email with the result **after 5pm on Monday 2nd March**. You will be required to accept or decline the offer online.

Parents who reside in Camden and applied via a paper application form will have their **letters posted on Monday 2nd March by 1st class post**. You can accept or decline the offer online or by post.

If you would like any support with the secondary school transition, please speak to Maria Panayi.

## Online Dinner Payments

Online dinner payments will be available this half term. You will be receiving your own log in to enable you to make the payments.

Maria Panayi will be running drop in sessions for parents and carers who would like support in setting up their account.

More information to follow.

## Attendance Superstars!

Our Target: **96%**

Attendance This Week: **96%**

Congratulations to **3AW** for getting **99%** and for having the fewest lates.



Year 3



Yet another eventful week in year 3. One of the highlights was the fantastic trip to the Heath, where everybody got involved in orienteering. The children were superb in applying their newly learnt skills and knowledge to read the map and find the clues. They have also started to uncover the invisible world of microbes. The children have been introduced to the idea of microbes and the vital role they play in our world!



Year 4



This week year 4 took another step back into history, traveling 2500 years back to Ancient Greece, with a visit to the British Museum. The focus of the trip was to find out about daily life in Ancient Greece and the children were captivated by all that they saw. Studying rows of objects and pictures, the children came away bursting with facts about farming, the role of women and education. Quiz the children; they will amaze you with their knowledge!



Year 5



Year 5 have started a new biography unit in English. They will be linking what they have learnt about biographies with their science learning for the STEAM exhibition, writing biographies about the Wright Brothers. They will be researching the lives and achievements of Wilbur and Orville Wright and their role during World War One. They kicked off their research with an exciting visit to the Science Museum today.

*Watch this space for pictures of our trip!*

Year 6



This week year 6 went to the Science Museum. It was jam-packed full of exciting facts. Frankie loved the room full of planes and inventions. There were lots of hands-on activities in the Energy Exhibition. The 'communication' area taught us all about how our telephone network works. It is incredible how they have changed over the last 50 years! It was a really enjoyable day.

*By Frankie,  
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