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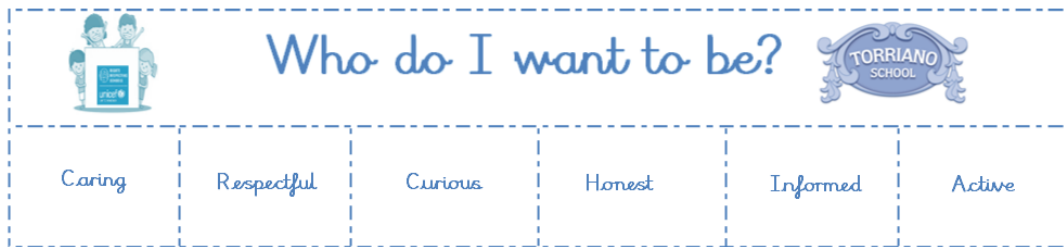
## A Time to Talk; a Time to Change



### Summer Term 2018 Year 2

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to the Summer Term at Torriano Primary. We hope you had a lovely Easter break. This letter is to inform you of the areas of the curriculum your child will be studying during the Summer Term. As a **Rights Respecting School**, we are continuing to learn about the rights and lives of children throughout the world and explore the **whole school Big Question**, 'Who do I want to be?'



**Global citizenship remains at the heart of our curriculum** through our whole school theme - 'A Time to Talk; A Time Change' where we continue to learn about the **17 Global Goals**. Our aim is for the children to develop **learner competencies** set out in our **values framework** as seen above. This focuses on exploring **who we are**; **how we learn independently**; **how we learn collectively** and encourages **everyone to be a changemaker**. Our whole school project this term will mark 100 years since some women were given the right to vote in Britain. There will be events to engage the children in this important topic.

**Please find this term's curriculum leaflet attached with details on our topic this term which continues to look at the lives of significant individuals from the past** with a focus on Sarah Forbes Bonetta. We also have some very exciting trips and visits planned for this term.

### Rights Respecting Children

In class the children are rewarded for excellent work, participation and following the class charter and whole school values by progressing through the class incentive system. Once they have reached the top their names are entered into the class 'Golden Book' and they return to the start. After three entries their names are recorded in the school 'Golden Book' and a postcard is sent home to inform you of their achievement. Please ask your children if you want to know more about this system.






## Attendance and Punctuality




We are continuing our focus on improving attendance and punctuality. Our morning lessons will start **promptly at 9.05** Please ensure that your child is at school on time. Year 2 hope to win the attendance award this term!



## Homework

<p>Homework</p>	<p>A piece of homework will be sent home each week linked to your child's learning in class. On occasion, the children may get a science or a cross-curricular project to complete over the holidays. <b>Homework</b> is sent home on a <b>Wednesday</b> and must be brought back to class on <b>Monday</b> morning.</p>
<p>Lucy Literal's Spelling </p>	<p>Over the Easter break we sent home a list of words for the children to learn. (Please ask us if you need a replacement copy). We will continue with our daily spelling lessons in class but also ask that you continue to work on these spellings with your children at home to help secure them.</p>
<p>PACT reading </p>	<p><b>Parental support</b> is hugely important for developing reading skills, confidence and understanding. Even if children are independent readers, we still encourage parents to read with them or listen to them and discuss the books they are reading.</p> <p><b>Year 2 children</b> should be reading at home for around 10 minutes a day. To help the teachers understand what and how much children are reading, we request that they complete their reading record at <i>least four times a week</i>, with a simple comment such as 'I enjoyed this book because...' 'It was funny when...' There are suggested sentence starters in the front of the reading records to help the children write these comments, or alternatively the parent can write the comment for them. Reading records and books must be brought in to class <b>every day</b> so that children can change their books.</p>
<p>Fluency in maths </p>	<p>Knowing number facts is an important tool to enable your child to feel confident in maths. Revising number facts, including times tables, is an easy way to support your child's progress and we encourage children to revise them regularly.</p> <p>Through their weekly homework, children will be given strategies and activities to support them.</p>



<p>New words</p> <p><i>Ask me what this means</i></p> 	<p>Direct vocabulary teaching takes place every day. On a Friday children choose one of their new words to wear on a sticker. We encourage you to speak to your child about their chosen word each week as this will help them to deepen their understanding of the word and to develop their oracy skills!</p>
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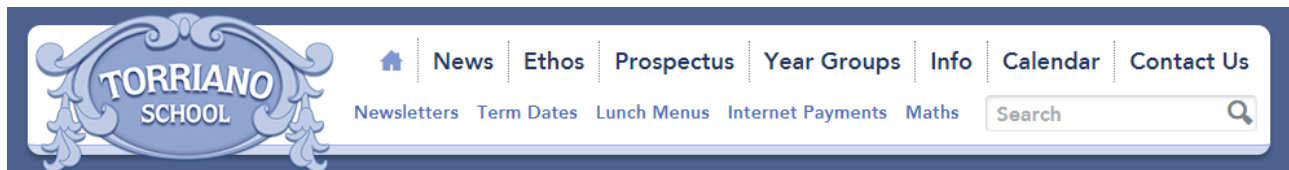
Only homework, books and reading records should be kept in a Pact folder as these are kept and used every day in class, please send their PE kits in a separate bag. Letters will also be sent home in the PACT folder so please check your child's bag regularly. Newsletters are sent via email every Friday and will appear on the website.

## PE

PE will take place every **Wednesday afternoon throughout the first half term**. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate kit in a PE bag; a white top with black/navy shorts, joggers or leggings and trainers. Wearing a football kit to school is not appropriate PE kit, it should be a **change of clothes**.

**Swimming will begin on the 5<sup>th</sup> June** and will be every Tuesday morning at Archway Pool. Children will need to bring a swimming costume and towel. We also recommend a cap, for those with long hair, and goggles.

## Website



You can keep informed about our learning on the school website: <http://www.torriano.camden.sch.uk/year-groups/year-2/>

We have an open door policy for parents and carers and will be available to discuss any queries at the end of each school day.

Kinds regards,

Jack Holmes and Sorrel Meechan

