## **Torriano Primary School**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and I wish you all a **Happy New Year**! I hope everyone enjoyed the festive season of Christmas and New Year celebrations.

# Our Future Starts Here - Making your Mark Project

The children have returned energised and ready for an exciting spring term in 2019. We will continue to explore our whole school theme 'Our Future Starts Here'. We aim to 'Make our Mark 'through our oracy focus and a new partnership as a Shakespeare Birthplace Trust Hub school. On World Book Day 2019 we will be studying Shakespeare's contribution to literature and performing arts and how we can 'make our mark' through the spoken and written word.

We will also be celebrating numerous exciting events including; **UNICEF Day for Change 2019** and **World Speech Day** in March, when the children will be exploring *speeches that changed the world to inspire their own speech making about issues important to them.* 

#### SPRING STEAM

Year 2 and Year 4 kick off STEAM activities this term with their exciting collaborative project, exploring the future of food, as part of their science learning about humans and habitats. EYFS will also be holding their own STEAM project after half term, in which they will explore, imagine and create 'built and natural environments of present and future'. Exciting! Look out for the invites — it will be informative and fun.

#### Arbor and Free School Meals

I would like to remind you that **all payments** for extra-curricular clubs, trips and school meals can be made online via the **Parent Portal**. All **school communication** will be shared via Arbor in our efforts to reduce paper usage and improve efficiency. If you are unsure about your eligibility for **free school meals**, please speak to a member of the admin team, who will can make the relevant checks. **The Caterlink Spring menu is attached to this letter and can be found on the school website.** 

## Term Dates and INSET days

The updated term dates for 2018-19 are published on the school website and can be found attached to this letter. Please do refer to the term dates when arranging holidays as leave during term time cannot be authorised in accordance with the school's Attendance Policy. Please note that there will be an <a href="INSET">INSET day for the school's Annual</a> Self-Evaluation event on the Monday 24th June 2019. The children will return to school on Tuesday 25th June 2018.





















School will end at **2.00pm on the 23<sup>rd</sup> July.** <u>Provisional dates for 2019- 2020 are also attached. Please ensure that you do not confuse the two sets of dates!</u>

### Extra-Curricular Clubs

Extra-curricular clubs commence on Monday 14th January. All parents have been informed of club places via the Parent Portal. Please can you advise the school office if your child is unable to attend an after school club session. This ensures that we know the whereabouts of all children, pupils going home or arranged collections. The spring extra –curricular timetable is accessible on the school website.

### Curriculum Letters

**Curriculum letters,** providing further information about learning this term, including trips and swimming arrangements, **will be sent out on Tuesday 15th January. Key dates for the term are also attached to this letter.** 

I hope the term is an exciting and successful one for our children.

Yours sincerely,

Helen Bruckdorfer



















