

## YEAR 5 WELCOME BACK LETTER January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year to you all and welcome back to the spring term. We hope that you had a wonderful holiday and enjoyed time with family and friends and we look forward to a successful 2023!

We have a term packed with learning, see below for details and links to support you and your child.

### Key Events - Spring Term

- Martin Luther King Day - Monday 16th January
- Chinese New Year - Sunday 22nd January
- Holocaust Memorial Day - Friday 27th January
- CRICK Scientist in Residence - BPS 30th January, TPS February
- Children's Mental Health Week - 6th - 12th February
- Lent - Wednesday 22nd February
- World Book Day - Thursday 2nd March
- International Women's Day - Wednesday 8th March
- Neurodiversity Celebration Week - 13th - 19th March
- World Speech Day - Wednesday 15th March
- Easter - Sunday 9th April



 International Women's Day

### Reading our way into 2023!

We are back on the Reading Road Map, turning each page towards a fantastic World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March 2023. We will be updating our reading corners and reading nooks throughout the school and starting a whole new set of inspiring texts to support the curriculum. In the lead up to World Book Day, we are inviting families to take part in developing Brecknock / Torriano School's Reading Histories - an opportunity for you and your child to remember the books you have shared over the years. We will be creating our reading learning journeys together, in school and as families.





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### Year 5 Spring Term Learning

The newly designed attached curriculum leaflet gives you an overview of the learning that will be taking place this half term in your child's year group. You will now receive a new curriculum leaflet every half term, keeping you updated with the learning. Our Year 5 topic for this half term is a geographical study of Brazil, and this is the overarching theme for our humanities (geography and history) English lessons.

All classes will use their Torriano Timelines and Knowledge Mats to support children's learning, supporting them to remember and recall key facts. See below for useful links.

<p><u>Curriculum leaflet</u>  <a href="https://torriano.camden.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Year-5-Spring-1-Curriculum-Leaflet.pdf">https://torriano.camden.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Year-5-Spring-1-Curriculum-Leaflet.pdf</a></p>	<p><u>Knowledge mats</u>            Science  <a href="https://torriano.camden.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Knowledge-Mat-Science-Y5-Materials.pdf">https://torriano.camden.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Knowledge-Mat-Science-Y5-Materials.pdf</a>            History / Geography  <a href="https://torriano.camden.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Year-5-Brazil-Knowledge-Mat-Torriano.pdf">https://torriano.camden.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Year-5-Brazil-Knowledge-Mat-Torriano.pdf</a></p>
<p><u>Home learning</u> - Google Classrooms            Please see your home learning books for your class code.</p> 	<p><u>Behaviour Summary Leaflet</u> for parents  <a href="https://torriano.camden.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Torriano-Behaviour-Leaflet-Website.pdf">https://torriano.camden.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Torriano-Behaviour-Leaflet-Website.pdf</a></p>
<p><u>Reading</u>            Children should read every day for at least 25 minutes at home. Reading for pleasure books can be changed as frequently as needed. Reading Records should be completed at home and are checked regularly in school.</p> 	<p><u>Maths</u>            Online maths fluency practice is available for all children.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Timestables Rockstars</li> <li>● Hegarty Maths</li> </ul> <p>Please ask your class teacher if you need your login again.</p>
<p><u>Spelling</u>            This term's spelling lists will be available on Google Classroom from next week. Children have weekly spelling quizzes.</p>	<p><u>PE</u>            Days - Wednesdays (The Place dance)            5L Thursday, 5N Friday            Children should wear trainers to school every day to enable them to take part in the Daily Mile and be active at playtimes.</p>
<p><u>Trips and Enrichment</u>            ZSL London Zoo - Thursday 26th January.            5N Google Headquarters - Friday 30th January - part of a project with Justin.</p>	<p><u>Parent Workshops</u>            Please see the weekly newsletters for upcoming parent workshops.</p>

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### Attendance and Punctuality

Being in school is vital for children's education and for their wellbeing. All children are expected to attend school every day unless they are unwell. Last term, our attendance was 92% significantly below our 97% attendance target. School attendance is mandatory. Please be aware that:

- It is a parent/carer's duty to ensure that their child attends school
- It is the schools' responsibility to record attendance and follow up absence
- Schools and local authorities may issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices in line with local authorities' codes of conduct if a child is absent from school.



### Punctuality and the School Day

Please see the table below and note the key times.

EVENT	TIME
Breakfast Club starts	8.00
School gates open	8:50
School bell for lining up	8.55
School starts	9:00
School ends	15:30
Clubs end	16:30 (some later clubs end at 17:30)
Extended hours ends	18:00

Please note, if your child arrives after 9am they will be marked as late and need to report to the front office.

Please support your child to be ready for school with their books and bags, ready to encourage a prompt morning routine. Children arriving late to school miss vital learning and school routines which can create anxiety as children arrive unsettled. If you find arriving at school on time challenging, please speak with staff and find solutions together. We look forward to helping establish positive learning routines and improving attendance this year.

### Administration of Medicine:

- We always encourage parents to administer outside of school hours where possible.
- All medicines that are to be administered in school must be accompanied by a completed medicines form (available from the office) from the parent and/or the GP on how to administer the (dosage).
- The label must state the following: the name of the child, the date of birth, and route of administration, intervals and amount to be given.
- It must be signed in, by the parent/carer, at the office. Teaching/support staff will not accept medications directly from children or parent/carer.
- Please remember to bring any medication back in on the first day of term.



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### Individual health care plans:

- For all children who require individual specialised treatment a clear care plan must be available. This includes asthma, allergies, diabetes, epilepsy and eczema.
- The school nurse or child's GP are responsible for the content of this and a copy must be brought into school. These should be reviewed annually.

Many thanks,  
Helen, Holly, Naomi and Libby

### Designated Safeguarding Leads



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