



TOOTING PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter

Friday 24th April

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Ms Wilson's Message

On this beautiful sunny Friday, I write as an extremely proud headteacher.

Proud of my team,
proud of our children,
proud of our parents and
proud of our governors!

This school community has really shown what excellence is this week.

Our staff facilitated a fabulous STEM Fair, which by all accounts, enabled the children to shine as they took ownership and showcased their **own** learning through STEM, (Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths).

The planet is safe in their hands!

Parents showed up in great number - thank you!

We had two of our governors visit lessons today, they were very impressed with everything they had seen in music, English, Maths and PE, they even **enjoyed** a school lunch! Look out for their commentary coming soon.



Our attendance is **94.1%**

upwards to our whole school target of **95%**.

Please help us to get back to target level.

Best attendance for classes this week are as follows:

Y3 Viking = 98.9%

Y2 Endeavour = 99.2%



Y4 Pioneer = 99.3%

Well done to everyone!

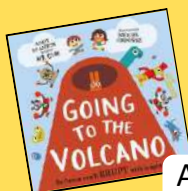


We were thrilled to welcome Andrew Moffat MBE on Tuesday. He spent the whole day meeting all the students and staff. He commented on how strongly our values are upheld here and thoroughly enjoyed his visit.



Reception

About *Blue Chameleon* by Emily Gravett Mercury said, "You don't need to be the same to be friends." Apollo said, "You can be friends even if you're different."



About *Going to the Volcano* by Andy Stanton said so much!

"The dinosaur was too big for the plane. They changed the plane so that he could fit and he didn't get left out." "Everybody is welcome. The characters let everyone come with them." "Nobody was left out." "They were all different. They had different colour skin, different hair, different clothes and they were different creatures!" "Every time I see someone who is on their own, I will let them join in."



Year 1

Year 3

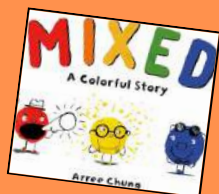
Harper from Year 3 Viking summarised *This is Our House* by Michael Rosen by saying 'It was about a boy called George who had a house that said no twins allowed, no people wearing glasses or anyone with differences. Then George went to the toilet and everyone went into his house but they didn't let him in so George was upset. Then George said everyone's is allowed because there is no outsiders.'

We listened to the story *Can I Join Your Club?* by John Kelly, which tells the story of a duck who wants to join different animal clubs but is not accepted because he cannot make the correct sounds. He eventually creates his own club where everyone is welcome. This prompted a discussion about inclusion and what we would do if someone asked to join our own club.



Year 4

We read *Red: A Crayon's Story* by Michael Hall about a blue crayon who had a red wrapper. Frankie said, "I think that the story was about being resilient and knowing who you really are if someone tells you that you're not." Ardi said, "Only you know you are and never give up! Don't let people be the boss of you and tell you who you are."



Year 5

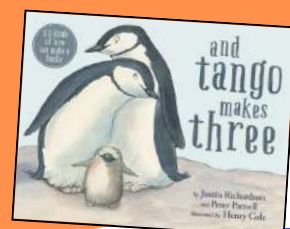
The story is about how three colours start as friends but then decide that they should be separated. They couldn't get along because one colour (red) thought they were better than every one else. I learnt that no matter what race, religion or background you come from, you should always be accepted.

Amelie

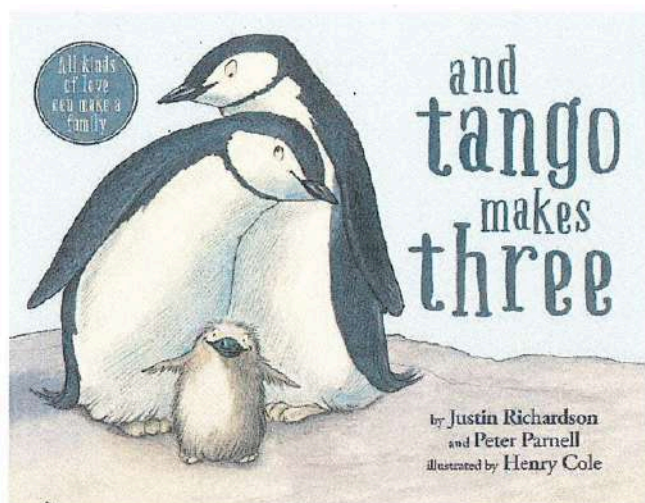


Year 6

Year 6 learned about the nine protected characteristics in the Equalities Act, 2010 before reading *And Tango Makes Three* by Justin Richardson and Peter Parnell. Read Editoro and Jack's summaries on the next pages.



Editoro



A few days ago, a man called Mr Andrew came to our school to give us a presentation. He was talking about something called protected characteristics. There were 9 of them and it is a part of the British Law. It means the people are safe if they have any of these characteristics. They are: Gender / Sex, Religion, Race, Marriage, Age, Transgender etc.

Then he read us this book called 'And Tango makes three'. It is a story about two male penguins who kept trying to make a baby but they couldn't. The zookeeper saw their attempt and how they gailed so one day he put an egg in their nest. Both kept it warm in the nest until it hatched and they became a happy family.

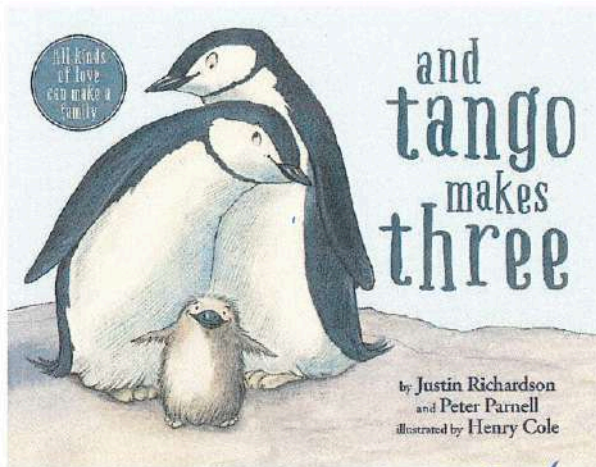
It was a nice, heart-warming story, everyone loved it but apparently it is banned in almost all of the states in America!

He gave us a talk through Snow White, a poisoned apple, talking mirror, trying to kill someone and kissing strangers. Mr Andrew said shouldn't that be banned instead.

After, He talked about people who stood up for what they believed and changed the world.



Jack



On Tuesday, a guy called Andrew came into school and spoke to us about the equality act. The equality act had 10 characteristics that were protected by law against discrimination, called protected characteristics. There is 10 in included race, gender and LGBTQ+. Andrew showed a picture of Harry Kane before the world cup in Qatar, wearing a representing rainbow captain's armband, representing LGBTQ+. However, representing LGBTQ+ in Qatar is banned. We had a discussion whether Kane should have broken the law and stand up for his beliefs, or stick to the law. After this, we read a book that is banned across America, as it features LGBTQ+ relationships and adoption. We discussed if we thought it deserved to be banned, and if a young child should read it.



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Where everyone is welcome!



Thank you! Gardening Volunteer!



We have had a volunteer with “**green fingers**” come forward to help us refresh and care for our flowerbeds. It is not too late if you If you still have an interest in helping.

We know teamwork makes a dream work!

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STEM FAIR



Thank you to the **STEM TEAM**

Miss Phillips, Miss Burton, Miss Heap,
Miss Sentance & Miss Finnerty on a job very
well done!

Thank you to all the STEM volunteers who
influenced to the enthusiasm and excellence
demonstrated this week.



Children's Page



Tooting's Got Talent!



 Article 2



All children have these rights no matter what their differences are

The UNCRC applies to all under 18s, with no exceptions. Governments should make sure that every child has equal access to their rights. Governments should make sure that children are protected against discrimination.

Remember your manners.
Everyone should be treated fairly.
Say sorry and mean it, if you hurt someone.
Positive actions are good.
Each person should be heard.
Care for other people.
Tell others your feelings.

Pippa, Viking Class



'Fun facts about bees' Robin, Viking Class

KSI CHOIR

THURSDAY LUNCHTIMES

12:15-12:45

Join Miss Sentance in the Music Hall to sing our favourite songs and have lots of fun.

**STARTING IN SUMMER 1
LET YOUR TEACHER
KNOW THAT YOU ARE
INTERESTED!**

Remember to care for everyone.
Everyone deserves kindness.
Say sorry when needed.
Play with others.
Enjoy being kind.
Create the world to be a better place.
Treat others the way you want to be treated.

Maya, Viking Class

Remember your manners.
Encourage everyone.
State kind words.
Play nicely.
Excellence is its own reward.
Care for people.
Take care of people.

Max, Viking Class



LEX Newsletter

This week, we continued exploring our core text Supertato. The children enjoyed learning about different vegetables through play and creative activities. In art, we carried on with potato printing, creating colourful and imaginative designs.

In English, we began sequencing key events from the story and identifying characters, discussing who was good and who was bad.

In Maths, we focused on number work, consolidating prior learning and challenging ourselves to remember key skills. The children have shown great enthusiasm and are building confidence across all areas of their learning.

Key Information

PE Takes place every Tuesday please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for each session.





CLASSROOM NEWSLETTER

Look What We Learned

This week in Voyager we have been looking into the themes of our English book 'Supertato'.

We've been working out who is a fruit vs a vegetable, describing the characters and working out who is good and who is evil! We did this through role play, matching and writing.

In Maths we have been consolidating our learning and knowledge of numbers, matching quantities and sequencing. We did this through interactive activities and practically using various resources.



English



Maths

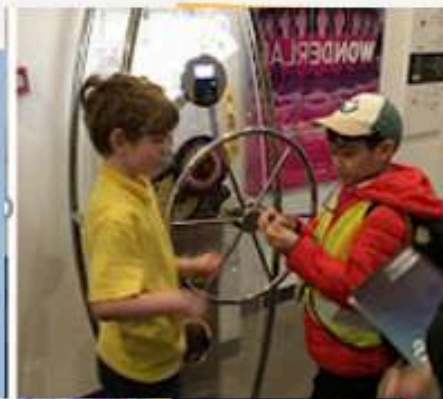


WHAT'S THE SCOOP
IN THE DISCOVERY
ZONE



GALAXY *Newsletter*

Galaxy Class Blast Off at the Science Museum!



About Our Class

Galaxy Class had an exciting and educational visit to the Science Museum, where the children thoroughly enjoyed exploring the interactive exhibits and engaging in hands-on activities. The trip was made even more memorable with a visit to the IMAX cinema, where they were fascinated to learn about ocean animals through an immersive and captivating film experience.



Discovery Zone - EY - KS1



Little Explorers

Eddie, For being able to make request independently.

Voyager

Naomi is our star this week for applying herself so well in class, following instructions and getting on with her tablework without even having to be asked to do so. Well done Naomi!

Galaxy

Aalia Siddiqui for her kindness and care towards her classmates. She consistently goes out of her way to help others.

Apollo

Eva has shown incredible responsibility this week and showed leadership as part of our Stem Week Fair. Her clear communication, kindness and initiative made the event a huge success.

Mercury

Lyla has made excellent progress in phonics and has such a positive attitude to learning! She is blending her sounds confidently and demonstrates an enthusiastic approach to learning. Well done Lyla, keep it up!

Atlantis

We are incredibly proud of Arisha's progress in Phonics this term. She is working hard to sound out each word and blend them together with increasing confidence, and it has been lovely to see her independence grow. Arisha shows great resilience when she finds things challenging, always persevering and giving her best effort. Well done, Arisha! Keep up the excellent work!

Gemini

Iqlas, brilliant effort this week! Your listening skills have really stood out, and it's clear you are trying your very best in every lesson. You've also shown such a positive attitude towards your learning, which has made a big difference — well done, keep it up!

Enterprise

Malak has blown our socks off this week with her commitment to her work! In Science, she independently labelled parts of a tree and flower, choosing the appropriate word and finding where it needed to go. I have loved seeing her confidence grow, especially when she puts her hand up to contribute in class discussions! Well done, Malak!

Endeavour

Hussain, It's been wonderful to see you contributing your ideas more confidently and engaging so thoughtfully with your learning. Keep up this positive attitude and effort — it's really making a difference!



kS2



Viking

Robin is our Star of the Week for her creative contribution to the STEM fair where she researched facts and produced an interactive display on bees. Her confidence continues to grow and she is the epitome of kindness to her peers.

Jupiter

Lillie has been working extremely hard across the curriculum this week and has made such a positive start to this term! She has been showing all of our school's core values, and is especially being resilient during our learning in maths. It is also great to see Lillie putting her hand up more often and having a go at answering questions in class. Keep up the great work!

Mariner

Mason has been working really hard on his handwriting this week and has shown a lot of focus and determination when writing in English. He has started a fantastic Twisted Tale of 'The Three Little Rats and the Big Bad Chicken', and I can't wait to see what he writes!

Pioneer

Pioneer's Star this week is for someone who showed resilience and determination in Maths this week. With help from her peers, Samreen was able to activate her prior learning and show how she knew the measurement of a given volume of water. Well done Samreen!

Mir

I have been so impressed with Avyan's consistently excellent behaviour. He is kind and considerate to all of his peers and members of staff, and he works beautifully with others. Avyan always demonstrates respect, follows our behaviour expectations, and takes great pride in his learning. He should be incredibly proud of the hard work he puts in and the kindness he shows each day. He is a wonderful role model in Mir Class.

Selene

Abdul has shown resilience and perseverance in creating vector drawings using 2D shapes in our computing session this week. Well done keep up the good work!

Juno

Alejandra created a fantastic 'never ending fountain' for her STEM fair project over the holidays. She presented the project to adults and children alike with such enthusiasm, confidence and she really showed what a brilliant scientific thinker she is. Wow, we are so impressed and proud!

Ariel

Reema is our star of the week in Ariel for her fantastic science project that she worked on for the STEM fair. Reema created a brilliant volcano that even erupted! She was able to confidently present and discuss her work with children and parents from the school community. Well done Reema, I am so proud of you!

JOIN US AT THE BROKEN UMBRELLA CHALLENGE!

FINALE EVENT!

AGES
3-12

COME ALONG FOR:

+ Fun activities

Make, create, and explore with
waste and recycling

+ Snacks!

Enjoy a halal & vegan bite to eat



WHEN AND WHERE?

Tooting Library
Sat 2 May 2-4 PM



BOOK HERE!

Our toy supplier:

FARA
Charity Shops

Funded by:



CLIMATE ACTION
MICROGRANT

**Wear your shirt.
Share the signs.
Help save lives.**



Tooting Primary School

Once again TPS are taking part in Football Shirt Friday to raise money for the Bobby Moore Fund in partnership with Cancer Research UK next Friday (24th April). Children can wear a football kit to school, children who do not have a football kit can wear something sporty or their P.E kit for the day.

Donations can be made via the link below, alternatively there will be students from year 6 collecting cash on each gate.

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/tooting-primary-school-2>



**TCS Mini London
Marathon in
Schools**

Children in Years 1-6 will again participate in the Mini Marathon. Each child will have the opportunity to run, walk or jog the 2 mile distance at the beginning of their P.E. lessons between
13th April and 1st May



Cricket, lovely cricket!

SPENCER CRICKET CLUB



Est. 1872

Fieldview, Earlsfield, London SW18 3HF

*It's nearly summer... It's Women's World Cup year
There has never been a better time to be a girl cricketer!*

Spencer Cricket Club, based in Earlsfield, has the largest girls' section in the country with more than 500 girls enrolled, offering fun and outstanding coaching, in a welcoming and inclusive environment.



We have waitlist-only for most age groups but have



*places available for Girls at **Under 7** and **Under 8** (Years 2 and 3) to join our membership for 2026. Training is*

on Sunday mornings, matches start at Under 8.

To seize this opportunity, apply today at:

membership@spencercricket.org

TPA Newsletter

24 April 2025

Raising money to help fund school trips, sports & playground equipment and so much more!

TPA 500 MILE CHALLENGE

Let's walk 500 miles together!

Get ready to sparkle at the EYFS Glitter & Glow Disco

They've been waiting all year - and now it's their turn! The **EYFS Glitter & Glow Disco** takes place on **Friday 8 May from 3.30-4.30pm**, packed with music, dancing and sparkle. Snacks and soft drinks will be available for the children, with drinks on sale for adults. Tickets are £2.50 per child, payable on the door. Please note: EYFS children only, and all children must be accompanied by a named parent or responsible adult.

Calling all Year 5 or 6 budding entrepreneurs!

If your child or a group of children would like a stall at this year's Summer Fair, please email tpa@tootingprimary.org. The cost of a stall is £5 for students. To help ensure a great variety of stalls for everyone and support the fair's fundraising, we ask that children's stalls don't duplicate TPA-run favourites such as the pocket money stall, BBQ, bar, cake stall or sweet cones.

New date: Saturday 9 May

We're excited to be launching a brand new event on **Saturday 9 May from 3pm**; a challenge for our whole school community to **collectively walk 500 miles** and raise at least £5,000 to **fund some big and exciting projects** for our children.

Families can walk a 1-mile route on Tooting Common, completing **as many laps as they like**, with a specially built app to track progress along the way.

Please **ask friends, family and neighbours to sponsor your child to walk a target number of miles**.

Can't make the day? **You can still take part at a time and route that suits you** (up until 31 May). The JustGiving page is live, so start sharing:

www.justgiving.com/campaign/tpa500milechallenge

Further details to follow via email and WhatsApp.

Which class will raise the most for the TPA?

TOOTING PRIMARY SCHOOL Summer Fair

Saturday 27 June | 12 - 3pm

FEATURING

Stalls | Pimms | Bar
BBQ (Halal & vegan options available)
Games | Choir performance
Face painting | Raffle | Ice cream
& lots more!

Important Dates



May

Mon 4th	Bank holiday (no children in school)
Fri 8th	EFYS Disco 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Sat 9th	TPA 500 miles walk / community event
Mon 11th	KS2 SATs
Fri 15th	International Food Fair "Snack Fest" 3:15 - 4:30 pm
Mon 18th	KS1 SATs
Fri 22nd	Last day, break up for Half Term
	Mon 25th to Fri 29th Hal Term Holiday

June

Mond 1st	Children back to School
Mon 8th	Phonics Screening Check Week
Mon 8th	Y5 Trip - Ragged School Museum
Fri 12th June	EYFS pupil and parent stay and play (new cohort) 9:30 - 11:15 am
Tue 16th	Class Photos
Wed	EYFS new parent information evening 6:00 -7:00 pm
Wed 17th	Y6 Trip - Go Ape
Thu 18th	Y1 Battersea Zoo Trip
Mon 22nd - Fri 26th	Y6 Residential
Wed 24th	Y4 to the Polka Theatre Y5 Class Assembly 2:30 - 3:00 pm.
Mon 22nd - Fri 26th	Diversity Week
Fri 12th	EYFS Stay and Play (new students) 9:30 - 11:15 am
Mon 29th - Fri 3rd	Sports Week

July

Wed 1st	EYFS Sport Day - Main Playground 9:30 -11:15 am.
Friday 3rd	Year 1-6 Sports Day - Fishponds including Galaxy 10:00 12:30 am
	Discovery Zone Sports Day at school 1:30 - 2:15 pm
Mond 6th	(Voyager & Lex)
Wed 8th	Y6 Production Performance 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Wed 15th	EYFS Graduation 9:30 - 10:45 am
Wed 15th	Y6 Graduation and prom 4:30 - 6:00 pm
Fri 17th	Last day of term, early finish 2:00 pm
Mon 20th	Inset Day (no children in school)
Sun 25th	Lost or damaged books contributions

Inset Days 2026-2027

September

Tue 1st	Inset Day (no children in school)
Wed 2nd	Inset Day (no children in school)

December

Thu 17th	Last day of term, early finish, 2pm
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January

Mon 4th	Inset Day (no children in school)
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June

Mon 7th	Inset Day (no children in school)
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