



Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

REMINDER

The last day of term is tomorrow and the first day back is Wednesday 9th June. Fingers crossed that the weather gets better for everyone to enjoy the nice long and well deserved holiday. Your children have shown such tenacity and perseverance – we are so proud of them.

What have the Leadership and Management been doing this half term?

After the pretty horrific COVID year the SLT, Key Stage Leaders and Special Needs leads have taken such pleasure this term in getting back into the classrooms to check on the quality of teaching and learning. I know it is very hard for you all at a distance not being able to see inside our school but the atmosphere in all the classes is just lovely – such positivity and enjoyment in which children can progress without added stress. We have been working on ensuring that all of our systems are consistent and well used throughout the school, that behaviour management is effective and that we know where all your children are currently and what they may have missed over the last year. We have had a firm focus on social skills and relationships as well as building on our pre-Easter focus of mental health. The teachers have also begun working in Curriculum teams to review each subject and looking at some brave new ideas. We have begun reviewing the effectiveness of our curriculum as a whole and how it is accessed by all of the children who attend our school, adapted for their individual's needs.

New date for Year 3 and 4 Trip to Totnes Castle

The trip has been rescheduled for Friday 11th June. Home packed lunch and drink please.

School meals

We continuously review our school meals and the take up of certain dishes. Currently we are experiencing a real difference in taste between children in KS1 and children in KS2 and it is proving a little tricky to find a menu that attracts all children. Because of this we will be playing around with the menu next half term and trialling some new ideas so you will get menus only for a couple of weeks at a time. If you have any foods that you are pretty convinced that all children like when you serve it could you also send it our way? Many thanks.

Menu change for next week

As Thursday 27th May will be the last day of term, lunch that day will be Fish Fingers or Cheese and Tomato Wheel.

PTA

We have a Bags2school collection scheduled for Thursday 17th June. If you have any bags of unwanted clothes, shoes, handbags, jewellery, soft toys, curtains, towels of bed linen please save this ready for your collection. I know holidays are often a time for having a clear out so please do consider gathering up any unwanted items. There will be bags given out after the half term but any black sack or bag will be fine. The textiles are then weighed and we receive payment for them. The items are sorted and sold all over the world. Please note that they no longer accept duvets/blankets, school clothes, textile off cuts and carpets/rugs. We would also ask that

the bags be dropped off on the day at the front entrance to avoid obstructing the corridors and classrooms. Many thanks, Emily

Kind regards

Hilary Priest



TORQUAY BOYS' GRAMMAR SCHOOL



Dare to join us in 2022?

If your son will be in year 6 in September 2021, now is the time to register online to take the entrance tests to join Torquay Boys' Grammar School in 2022.

Potential students will take two 50-minute guided tests on Saturday 18 September 2021, assessing verbal, numerical and non-verbal skills.

The tests require no additional tutoring, but there are free familiarisation and practice materials on our website.

Additional support for Pupil Premium Students

If your son is in receipt of Pupil Premium, TBGS is pleased to offer access to an additional 10-hour online familiarisation package. Simply indicate Pupil Premium on the application form, and we will send a logon code, just for you.

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