

Trafalgar Newsletter

13th March 2026

Special Events:

Spring Term 2026 March

- 10th Horsham Museum to visit Y1
- 19th 9am-12pm Let's Get Creative a.m.
3.20-4pm Open Afternoon
- 20th Red Nose Day
- 24th 2:30pm Reception Performance to Mole Class parents
- 25th 2:30pm Reception Performance to Rabbit Class parents
- 30th-10th Apr Easter holidays

Summer Term 2026 April 2026

- 13th First day Summer Term

May 2026

- 15th JP Photographic - Class Group photographs
- 25-29th Half Term break

June 2026

- 1st Return to school

July 2026

- 20th Last Day of Term
- 21st INSET Day. School closed to the children.
- 22nd INSET Day. School closed to the children.

Trafalgar School Fund
QR Code:



School Uniform Sales



We have made the decision to outsource our school uniform sales with effect from Monday, 23rd March.

We currently have some existing uniform stock that you are welcome to come and purchase, at our current rates, up until Thursday, 19th March. Thereafter, you will need to order and purchase all uniform from Taylor Made Uniforms Limited (www.taylormadeuniforms.co.uk).

Orders can be delivered directly to school on a Friday, free of charge.

Miss Hickie
Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

Before School Supervision



Please can all parents and carers keep a close eye on your child(ren) when waiting on the playground before school. It has come to our attention that some children have accessed the fenced off area behind the Fun Theatre during this time and are getting out school equipment.

Until the classroom doors are open we ask that you take full responsibility for your child as we do not have any staff on the playground at this time.

Assembly Theme

The assembly theme for next week will be:

Core value – We are healthy & active



Attendance Update

Highest Class
Attendance for this week
goes to:

Rabbit Class – 97.71%

Whole School Attendance is 95.74%

(National Expectation is 96% or better)

The attendance rate (proportion of possible sessions attended) was 93.15% across all schools in the week commencing 02 February 2026. The absence rate was, therefore, 6.85% across all schools.

Disabled Car Park Bays



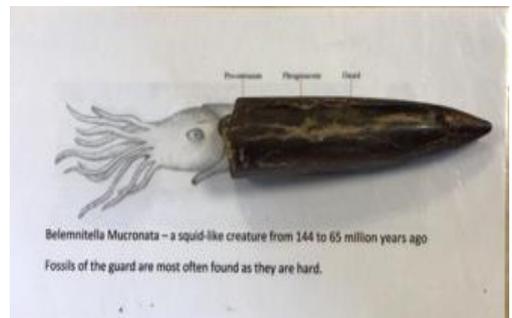
Please be aware that all cars parked in disabled bays should have a blue badge and/or school pass visible.

However, please also remember that disabilities are not always visible and we ask that parents do not approach other car park users to question the appropriateness of them parking in these spots. This can understandably cause distress.

If you are concerned that people are parking inappropriately, please let the School Office know instead.

Visit by Horsham Museum to Year 1

The Year 1 children loved their visit from Horsham Museum this week and being palaeontologists. They listened really well to Petra and discovered a variety of fossils including plant fossils and fossilised dinosaur poo. They were even able to handle fossilised sections of an Iguanodon's thigh bone!



Pupil Voice:

'I liked the curly whirly fossil because it looked like a unicorn horn but it was not a unicorn horn, it was a fossil. The best fossil ever!'

'I liked digging with a spoon and a brush. I found a dinosaur head and a leg bone.'

'We picked up fossils with our fingers and we brushed off the sand.'

'I liked being a paleontologist and finding fossils. I found a skull of a T-Rex.'

Term Dates 2025/2026

Autumn Term:

3rd Sept - 19th Dec 2025

- Half Term 27th Oct - 31st Oct
- Christmas break 22nd Dec 2025 - 2nd Jan 2026

Spring Term:

5th Jan - 27th March 2026

- Half Term 16th - 20th Feb
- Easter break 30th March - 10th April

Summer Term:

13th April - 22nd July 2026

- Half Term 25th - 29th May

INSET Days 2025/2026

- Wednesday, 3rd Sept 2025
- Monday, 3rd Nov 2025
- Monday, 23rd Feb 2026
- Tuesday, 21st July 2026
- Wednesday, 22nd July 2026

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Red Nose Day – Friday, 20th March 2026



A reminder that next Friday, 20th March, children and staff are invited to wear an item of red clothing to complement their school uniform i.e. cardigan, skirt, sweatshirt for a donation to Comic Relief. If they would like to, they can also wear a red nose (homemade or purchased e.g. from a local supermarket). Please note however that we will **not** be selling red noses in school.

Donations should be brought into school on the day and passed to the class teacher or directly to the School Office or via the Just Giving link at:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/trafalgar-community-infant-school-8>

Please help us to do our bit and raise money for this worthwhile cause!



Did you know....?

Re-reading the same story over and over is hugely valuable.

“When children ask for a story to be re-read, in effect they are asking for another chance to explore the language, the characters and their feelings, and to relive the emotions they felt on the first reading.

They hear the same words read in the same way and gain a sense of comfort in knowing what follows.

They wait for their favourite bits, ready to join in or ready to be scared, even when they already know what happens. Their attachment to the story equips them to retell it and, when they have learnt to read, encourages them to read it for themselves...the children have multiple exposures to vocabulary and the language of stories.”

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1050849/Reading_framework_Teaching_the_foundations_of_literacy_-_July_2021_Jan_22_update.pdf

Challenge(s) of the week...

This week, during your time reading aloud to your child, **reread the same story** (or same chapter of a chapter book) every day. What do you notice each time that you didn't notice the last time? Do different words/sentences/pictures stand out?

How can the same story be made different? You could try using different accents/emphases, putting the story to song/ adding music, or adding your own commentary/ 'extra bits'.

After a week of the same story, can your child retell the story by heart?