

Trafalgar Newsletter

Special Events:

May	27 th -31 st	Half Term break
June	3 rd	INSET Day. School closed to the children
	6 th	Year 1 Summer Trip
	24 th	9.15am Reception Sports Morning
	28 th	9.15am Year 1 Sports Morning & 1.30pm in the Rec
July	1 st	9.15am Year 2 Sports Morning & 1.30pm in the Rec
	9 th	9.30am Year 2 Performance to Parent/Carers
	10 th	9.30am Year 2 Performance to Parent/Carers
	11 th	3.15-4.00pm Open Afternoon
	13 th	1-3pm FTS Summer Fair
	23 rd	Last Day of Term

Half Term Break



On behalf of the Trafalgar community, we wish you all a very happy and healthy half term break.

We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday, 4th June 2024.

Please remember that Monday, 3rd June is an INSET day and school is closed to the children.

Miss Hickie
Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

Class Photos



You should by now have received two class photo proofs via your child's bookbag/teacher. To benefit from free delivery back to school you need to have ordered by **Thursday, 8th June**.

A reminder that **no orders are to be returned to school this time** but can be made either on-line (www.photoprinting.co.uk) or by post direct to JP Photographic Ltd. There are instructions on each proof sheet to guide you.

24th May 2024

Assembly Theme

The assembly theme for next week will be:

Talking about our core values at break times and lunch times.

Attendance Update

Highest Class Attendance for this week goes to:

Lime Green – 99.40%

Whole School Attendance is 95.02%

(National Expectation is 96% or better)

The attendance rate (proportion of possible sessions attended) was 92.8% across all schools in the week commencing 29 April 2024. The absence rate was, therefore, 7.2% across all schools.

Thank you to the Dog and Bacon Public House



A big thank you to Kathryn and Phil at the Dog and Bacon Pub for their very generous donation of £500, raised through their Friday night meat raffle.

These monies will be going towards new woodland learning area resources.

Pollination Station



Pollination Station



We had a fantastic time on Thursday starting to set up our Pollination Station. One child from each class met Carrie from Sussex Greener Living who told them about the importance of pollinators and how few fruit and vegetables we would have without lots of bees to pollinate them. We will continue to add to our pollination station over the next couple of weeks and hope to set up an additional bug hotel in the woodland area behind the huts. *If you have any soil or compost you are able to donate we would be very grateful.*

Mrs Cotton
Deputy Headteacher

Reception Year Baking

The reception children enjoyed baking bread this week. Miss Carne forgot to buy the flour but luckily the Little Red Hen dropped some off at school so we could bake our bread rolls.

We also wrote a set of instructions and drew some pictures to say thank you.

*"Little Red Hen saved the day!"
"I had my bread roll with butter and jam."
"I had fruit with mine."
"My bread was yummy!"
"Can we bake bread again?"*



Scooters/Bikes & Lost Property



Please ensure that all bikes and scooters are taken home this afternoon, as any left in school may be recycled. Please also come and look in the blue lost property 'bin', which is incredibly full currently, if your child has mislaid anything as all unnamed items will be recycled.

There are often very good quality items in lost property and we urge you to seek out your lost goods. The habit will also help the children begin to learn the value of taking care of possessions and not always replenishing old with new! The 'bin' is always available outside the school office should you want to come in and reclaim your property.

Please, please can we also reiterate how important it is that bikes, scooters and helmets are named, along with all items of clothing.

Term Dates 2023/2024

Autumn Term:

1 Sept - 15 Dec 2023

- Half Term 23 - 27 Oct
- Christmas break 18 Dec - 1 Jan 2024

Spring Term:

2 Jan - 28 March 2024

- Half Term 12 - 16 Feb
- Easter break 29 March - 12 April

Summer Term:

15 April - 23 July 2024

- Half Term 27 - 31 May

INSET Days

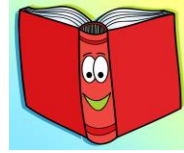
- Friday, 1st Sept 2023
- Monday, 4th Sept 2023
- Monday, 30th Oct 2023
- Monday, 19th Feb 2024
- Monday, 3rd June 2024

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Year 2 Farewell Books



As is the tradition, parents/carers often like the school to remember their child/children by donating money towards a book with a special book plate inside it containing a lasting message from the child and/or the parents. This of course also helps the school to refurbish its stock of books too!

Any contributions and messages need to be handed in by **Friday, 5th July** at the latest. A 'Year 2 Farewell Books' letter will be coming home via your Year 2 child/children shortly.



Change to EasyLunch Menu

EasyLunch have made a slight change to the menu from after half term. Attached to this newsletter is the amended menu for your information and convenience.

The change is to the main meal on a Monday on week 3 to Tuscan bean pasta bake with cheese topping and Macaroni cheese has moved to the vegetarian option on the Thursday.



Did you know....?

"Inspiring a love of books is one of the best ways to prepare children for a lifetime of learning and enjoyment through reading...Making story time part of your daily routine is a great way to make sure that books and reading are a familiar and fun experience for your child.

Get them to choose a book (or two) to read with you on the sofa or in bed at the end of each day. Encourage them to tell you *why* they've selected the book, and what they like and dislike about it."

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/grownups/making-time-for-books-at-home>

Challenge(s) of the week...

This week, as a family, listen to a book (read aloud by you or as an audio book) **from genres that they/you don't usually read.**

You choose first from a genre they don't usually read.

If possible, do this somewhere with minimal distractions!

Persevere with each book for at least 10 mins even if they/you aren't keen!

Afterwards, discuss what they/you liked/didn't like and why.

Take turns selecting a new book.