

Trafalgar Newsletter

Special Events:

Autumn Term 2025

October
 13th Harvest Festival
 16th Assembly & Donations
 7.30pm FTS meeting in the School Hall
 21st 'Trafalgar Day' celebrations in school
 24th Influenza Vaccination Day - Whole School
 27th-31st Half term break

November
 3rd INSET Day. School closed to the children.
 14th Children in Need 2025
 19th 4.00-7.00pm Parent Consultations
 25th 3.30-5.00pm Parent Consultations
 26th 3.30-5.00pm Parent Consultations

December
 9th Year 1 Performance to Parents/Carers
 10th Year 1 Performance to Parents/Carers
 12th FTS Christmas Market & Christmas Jumper Day
 16th FTS Pantomime treat
 19th Last Day of Term
 22nd-2nd Jan Christmas break

Spring Term 2026
 January 2026
 5th Spring Term begins

17th October 2025

Safety on the Playground



Please, please can we reiterate the importance of no bikes or scooters on the playground before or after school. Bikes and scooters need to be parked in the shelter provided upon entering the school grounds in order to keep our Trafalgar families and visitors safe.

Your co-operation would be greatly appreciated.

Miss Hickie
 Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

Trafalgar Day – Tuesday, 21st October



Please remember that on Tuesday, 21st October we will be celebrating **Trafalgar Day**. This is when we invite all the children (and staff) to dress up as Horatio Nelson, a sailor, a cabin boy, a ship's cat, Lady Hamilton or another historical character of the time.

We would also welcome a voluntary donation, to be brought in on the day, of **£1.00 for the Trafalgar School Fund** to enable us to continue to purchase additional resources for the children at Trafalgar Community Infant School.

Assembly Theme

The assembly theme for next week will be:

What is a role model?



Attendance Update

Highest Class
Attendance for this week
goes to:

Otter Class – 98.42%

Whole School Attendance is 96.39%

(National Expectation is 96% or better)

The attendance rate (proportion of possible sessions attended) was 93.98% across all schools in the **week commencing 22nd September 2025**. The absence rate was, therefore, 6.02% across all schools.

Flu Consents Reminder...

Please, please remember to consent (or decline) the offer of the flu immunisation nasal spray that the Immunisation Service will be offering in school on **Friday, 24th October**.

Please go to:

<https://www.susseximmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu> or



Scan the QR code to go straight to the Flu vaccination consent form.

and use School Code: **SX125835**.

Individual Photo Orders



Please look out for your child's photo proof sheet which will have come home this week.

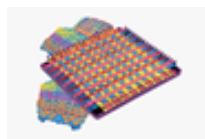
Your **FREE DELIVERY** to Trafalgar School option expires at midnight on

27th October 2025

You can still order for 3 months after this date but will incur the late handling / P&P charge.

Please note, all orders need to be placed on-line before midnight on Monday, 27th October by going to www.photoprinting.co.uk.

Let's Get Creative – Thursday, 18th December



On Thursday, 18th December we will be holding our first 'Let's Get Creative' morning for this academic year.

If you are free in the morning on Thursday, 18th December and feel you could come into school to help with any of the exciting activities on offer, then we would greatly welcome parent/carer/grandparent/governor helpers to assist the with these creative activities.

The purpose of our 'Let's Get Creative' morning is to inspire all of our children to embrace their creativity and express themselves through art.

If you are able to come in and volunteer please contact the School Office at office@trafalgarinfant.com. We would love to see you in school however, I'm afraid we cannot guarantee that you will be working with your own child.

FTS Trafalgar Tea Towels

Please look out for the Trafalgar Tea Towel order forms that have come home with your child this week.

Pre-orders (order form and cash payment) will need to be back at the School Office by Monday, 3rd November. Don't miss out!

Open Afternoon – Thursday, 18th December



On Thursday, 18th December, we will also be holding an Open Afternoon from 3.20-4.00pm.

We hope you will take this opportunity to come into school and have a look around your child's classroom at all the interesting learning that has been taking place during the Autumn term.

Please feel free to visit other classrooms too.

Order Form

Trafalgar Community Infant School Tea Towels

Parent Name: _____
 Phone number: _____
 Child's Name: _____
 Child's Class: _____

Number	Price	Quantity	Total
1x Tea Towel	£4.5		
2x Tea Towels	£9		
3x Tea Towels	£13.5		
4x Tea Towels	£18		

Total: _____

Order by: School / Cheque/Cash

TRAFFALGAR COMMUNITY INFANT SCHOOL

Please return your order form and payment to the school office by **Tuesday 4th November**. Alternatively you can order your tea towels through PTA events until **Monday 3rd November**.
 Tea towel orders are on a pre-order basis and will come home with children once they have arrived at school.

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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Harvest Festival – Monday, 13th October

Thank you to everyone who provided a donation for our Harvest Festival assembly on Monday. Your response was amazing and many homeless people and families in need around the area will benefit from your generosity. Any late donations have been added to the Trafalgar Food Bank in the staff car park.



Trafalgar Clothes and Food Banks



Please remember that we have a Food Bank in our car park, which you are welcome to use, or contribute to, at any point during the term time or school holidays.

We also have a clothes/fabric bank, and we would welcome any donations!

Not only is recycling good for our planet, but our school also gets some money in return for your donations.



Did you know....?

“Reading is vital for *developing the imagination* - the ability to stand in other people’s shoes and look through other eyes. With a book you can experience other lives, other worlds, other times.”

<https://www.pearson.com/content/dam/one-dot-com/one-dot-com/uk/documents/Learner/Primary/Primary%20parents/Enjoy-Reading-Guide.pdf>

Challenge(s) of the week...

Set aside time to read:

10 top tips for parents to support children to read (written by the Department for Education):

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/10-top-tips-to-encourage-children-to-read/10-top-tips-to-encourage-children-to-read>

This one-page document full of tips to help your child to develop a love of reading:
https://cdn.literacytrust.org.uk/media/documents/ROGO_-_Top_tips_for_parents_to_encourage_reading_enjoyment.pdf