

Trafalgar Newsletter

19th April 2024

Special Events:

April

15th Return to school
30th Reception Summer Trip

May

6th Bank Holiday
7th Book Fair in School
8th Year 2 Summer Trip
Book Fair in School
9th Book Fair in School
17th Class Photos
27th-31st Half Term break

June

3rd INSET Day. School closed to the children
6th Year 1 Summer Trip
24th Reception Sports Morning
28th Year 1 Sports Morning

July

1st Year 2 Sports Morning
9th Year 2 Performance to Parent/Carers
10th Year 2 Performance to Parent/Carers
11th 3.15-4.00pm Open Afternoon
23rd Last Day of Term



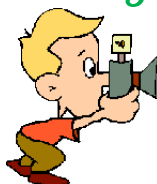
Welcome to the Summer term 2024 and we hope you enjoyed the Easter break.

This half term lasts for six weeks and the children are now in their final term of their year group. We look forward to seeing the children flourish during this term, benefitting from the effort made in the Autumn and Spring terms. The development of new knowledge and skills are apparent as new learning seems to 'slot into place'. It is an excellent time to see each child growing in confidence and increasing their ability and talent.

Just to remind you that **Monday, 6th May** is a **Bank Holiday** and school will be closed that day.

The children **break up on Friday, 24th May** for half term and the staff have an **INSET day on Monday, 3rd June**. Therefore, the children **return to school on Tuesday, 4th June**.

Class Photographs



On **Friday, 17th May** in the morning the photographer will be taking class photos as a memento of your child's class setting and their teacher.

Please let us know by Tuesday, 14th May if you **do not** wish your child to be photographed. Should you decide that your child is not to be photographed, please also ensure your child knows of your decision. Thank you.

Assembly Theme

The assembly theme for next week will be:

The Trafalgar Growth Garden Characters

We will learn about Gerry the 'keep improving' Giraffe and Hoot the 'keep concentrating' Owl



Attendance Update

Highest Class

Attendance for this week goes to:

Cherry Red – 99.33%

Whole School Attendance is 94.82%
(National Expectation is 96% or better)

The attendance rate (proportion of possible sessions attended) was 91.7% across all schools in the week commencing 25 March 2024. The absence rate was, therefore, 8.3% across all schools.

Preparing for all Weathers!



With such changeable weather, please can you ensure your child has a coat in school but also a sunhat on sunny days as our Reception children particularly spend a lot of time outside, not just on the playground but in the courtyard garden too.

If it is very sunny please can we also ask that you put sun cream on your child before they come into school, however no sunglasses please. Your assistance would be appreciated.

Social Media Communications



A reminder that we can be found on Facebook. We hope that this will be another means of communicating with you and the wider public, as well as celebrating our successes and the brilliant work of the children here. Please follow us by liking our [Facebook](#) page. Please spread the word amongst friends and family.

Book Fair – After School 7th-9th May



From Tuesday, 7th May 2024 the Book Fair will be in school!

This is a great opportunity for you and your child to browse a good selection of new books and hopefully find something to buy.

The Book Fair will be open between 3.20-4.00pm on:

- Tuesday, 7th May
- Wednesday, 8th May
- Thursday, 9th May

We look forward to seeing you there!

Trafalgar Storytelling Week (w/c 6th May 2024)



We are inviting parents/carers to come and read/tell your favourite story/poem to a small group of children or the whole class in your child's class (you don't have to read to the whole class, unless you want to!).

Tuesday, 7th May - Friday, 10th May 9am to 9.15am

Please contact the School Office (office@trafalgarinfant.com) or speak to your child's class teacher to let us know if you would like to be part of this and help to share the magic of stories and storytelling during Trafalgar Storytelling Week.

Trafalgar Community Infants' School Digital Library!

Please, please remember to join the Trafalgar School Digital Library via your child's Google Classroom account, if you haven't already.

This will give you free, 24/7 access to stories and reading resources anywhere you have internet access (at home or on holiday!)

Join class code: **kzhw7rg**

H&LS in the Playground



A reminder that the school does not take responsibility for children on the climbing apparatus at the beginning or end of the school day, so we would be grateful if parents/carers would please vacate the playground as soon as possible after pick-up. We are also required to secure the site promptly due to after school clubs taking place and would be grateful for your co-operation.

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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Reception Year – Bikeability Week



The Reception children are looking forward to Balance Bike training from the West Sussex Bikeability Team later this half term when they will be learning to ride and control a balance bike by:

- pushing and gliding
- controlling and steering, being aware of their surroundings and sharing space with others
- stopping safely

We look forward to welcoming the West Sussex Instructors into school.

Reception Year Team

CoolMilk – Over 5s – Please Register for Milk



A reminder that once your child turns 5 years old, they will no longer be eligible for the free milk for under-5s scheme.

However, if you would like your child to continue having milk delivered to school daily, once they have turned 5 years old, for a subsidised cost, you can register your child with CoolMilk direct via their website www.coolmilk.com or by telephone to 0800 321 3248.

Once you have registered your child, CoolMilk will let us know and their name will be added to the classroom list. Please note this does take a few days to process so the sooner you register them, the sooner they will start having milk again.

Use of Mobile Phones in School



Please can we ask that you **do not** use your mobile phone whilst in the School building. Please remain outside if you are on your mobile phone. Visitors on their phones during the school day can be disruptive to children learning in the vicinity.



Did you know....?

Roald Dahl (who wrote children's books such as 'Matilda' and 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory') wrote:

"Books shouldn't be daunting, they should be funny, exciting and wonderful; and learning to be a reader gives a terrific advantage."

Challenge(s) of the week...

Get together as a family and **each bring one of your favourite stories to lend to another member of the family**. Everyone's challenge is to read/listen to that story and find time afterwards discussing your thoughts/feelings about the book.