



Trafalgar Newsletter

Special Events:

October

5th From 8.00am Sibling photos being taken in the School Hall

8th Whole School Individual photos being taken throughout the morning
Whole School Harvest Festival Service @ Holy Trinity Church

18th FTS Whole School Disco

19th Trafalgar Day

22nd-26th Half Term break

November

7th 3.30-5.50pm Parent Consultations

12th 3.30-5.30pm Parent Consultations

15th 4.00-7.00pm Parent Consultations

23rd Flu Vaccinations

December

3rd 6.00pm Y2 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church

4th 6.00pm Y2 Carol Service @ Holy Trinity Church

11th Y1 Performance to parents/carers

12th Y1 Performance to parents/carers

13th Open Afternoon

* *new events that have been added since last Newsletter*



If you have popped into school this term, then you may have noticed that our two larger goldfish in the tank near the school library have been replaced with two tiny little goldfish! Don't worry, the larger goldfish have simply been rehomed in an outdoor pond and are having a happy life amongst new friends.

The children have an important job to do now however... we need two names for the two new goldfish. If your child would like to suggest a name then please email this name to the School Office (office@trafalgarinfant.com) with your child's name and class, or pop in with the suggestion written on a piece of paper, and we will pick two names out of a hat in assembly on Friday, 12th October.

Miss Green
Headteacher

Parent Governor Election



We hope you have received the ballot papers for the Parent Governor election. They came home in children's bookbags on Tuesday and the deadline for returning your vote to the School Office is 12 noon on Wednesday, 17th October.

The outcome of the election will be published as soon as possible after the closing date. Thank you in advance.

Kat Green & Ken Vose
Headteacher Chair of Governors

5th October 2018

Assembly Themes

The assembly theme next week will be:

**Gerry the 'keep improving' giraffe
Growth mindset story**



Harvest Festival – Tuesday, 9th October



Please remember that on Tuesday, 9th October the Trafalgar staff and children will be having our annual Harvest Festival celebration at Holy Trinity church.

We ask that every child bring a harvest 'gift' to school on the morning of **Tuesday, 9th October** and take it to the Library. It would be helpful if the children could bring dried produce, tins and jars of food as fresh fruit and vegetables perish so quickly. Toiletries are also very useful.

Our offerings will be split between the Family Support Works charity and Crawley Open House.

In the past we have been overwhelmed by your generosity. Thank you in advance for your support.

West Sussex County Times – Reception Year 'New Starters' Photograph

A reminder to our Reception Year parents/carers that our 'New Starter' photographs were published in yesterday's edition of the West Sussex County Times.

Transferring to Junior School in September 2019

If your child is currently in Year 2 and due to transfer to junior school in September 2019, online applications are now open. You are encouraged to apply for a junior school place by logging on to www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions.

The National closing date for transfer to junior school applications is Tuesday, 15th January 2019. It is your responsibility as a parent/carer to ensure your application is received by The Pupil Admission Team on time.

Starting School in September 2019

If your child's date of birth is between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015 it is now time to apply for their school place. Online applications are now open and you need to apply online by visiting www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions.

The National closing date for starting school applications is Tuesday 15th January 2019.

Parent Consultations – November 2018



From 10.00am on Wednesday, 10th October you will be able to sign up for an appointment to meet with your child's class teacher on either Wednesday, 7th November, Monday, 12th November or Thursday, 15th November via the on-line booking system at www.trafalgarschool.parentseveningsystem.co.uk.

Parent Consultations take place in your child's classroom. If you are visiting a classroom in the main building, please come through the main door and go straight to the relevant room. If you are going to the huts, you do not need to come into the main building. If you can avoid bringing children on this occasion, you will probably find the meeting more beneficial. This is an important opportunity for you to have a one-to-one with the class teacher. We do hope you will be able to come.

If you do not have access to the internet, please contact the School Office on or after 10.00am on Wednesday, 10th October and they will be able to see which time slots are still available and will be happy to add appointments on your behalf.

Trafalgar Day – Friday, 19th October



A reminder that as a longstanding school tradition, we will be celebrating **Trafalgar Day** on **Friday, 19th October**.

All the year groups will also be engaging in a range of fun, educational, hands-on activities in their classrooms throughout Trafalgar Day.

We invite all the children (and staff) to dress up on Friday, 19th October and come to school as Horatio Nelson, a sailor, a cabin boy, Lady Hamilton or another historical character of the time and we would 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.

Term Dates 2018-2019

Autum 2018

- Monday, 3rd September to Wednesday, 19th December
- Half term is: Monday, 22nd October - Friday, 26th October

Spring 2019

- Thursday, 3rd January to Friday, 5th April
- Half term is: Monday, 18th February - Friday, 22nd February
- Easter break is: Monday, 8th April to Monday, 22nd April (inclusive)

Summer 2019

- Tuesday, 23rd April to Tuesday, 23rd July
- Half term is: Monday, 27th May - Friday, 31st May

2018-2019 INSET Days

- Monday, 3rd Sept 2018
- Monday, 29th Oct 2018
- Friday, 15th Feb 2019
- Monday, 3rd June 2019
- Friday, 21st June 2019

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'A Christmas Recipe' – Year 1 Performance

Three cooks set about creating the ultimate Christmas recipe. There are plenty of ingredients to stir in: a pinch of presents, a hint of angels, a few robins, several snowflakes and even Father Christmas! All these ingredients are stirred into the mix one by one, until there is just one vital ingredient left to add: the baby in the manger! Finally they have it: the recipe for a perfect Christmas.



The Year 1 presentation of 'A Christmas Recipe' will take place on Tuesday, 11th and Wednesday, 12th December at 9.45am. We invite the whole of Jade class and Emerald class A-H surnames on Tuesday, 11th December and the whole of Lime class and Emerald class I-Z surnames on Wednesday, 12th December.

Singing rehearsals will begin soon and we are very much looking forward to seeing the Year 1 parents at these special occasions.

Healthy Eating & Healthy Lifestyles Information

Public Health England has written to all schools asking us to promote some healthy eating and lifestyle websites, because growing healthily and maintaining a healthy weight is important not only for a child's physical, social and mental wellbeing but also for their capacity to do well at school.

Here are some recommended websites that you may wish to explore...

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life>

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/528193/Eatwell_guide_colour.pdf

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/213737/dh_128142.pdf

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/213739/dh_128144.pdf

Welcome Coffee Mornings



It's not too late to come along and join Miss Green and Mr Vose, Chair of Governors, for a tea / coffee on Monday, 15th October at 9.00-9.30am.

If you would like to come along please let the School Office know in advance - so that we can ensure that we have enough tea, coffee and biscuits either by calling ☎ 01403 254925 or by emailing office@trafalgarinfant.com.

It was good to meet those parents/carers who were able to join us this week.

Keeping Children Warm



Please ensure that your child brings a warm coat/jacket to school that is named. It helps enormously if the coat can be easily hung on a coat peg now the autumn weather is setting in.

We have many unnamed items in our Lost Property 'bin' and they are all recycled on a regular basis. Please label your child's clothes so that they can be returned easily and without upset for you or your child. We believe that this will also help children value their belongings.