

Trafalgar Newsletter

5th June 2026

Special Events:

Summer Term 2026

June 2026

- 23rd Deer Class transition visit to Greenway
- 24th Badger Class transition visit to Greenway
- 25th Fox Class transition visit to Greenway

July 2026

- 1st Transition morning for Whole School
- 8th 9:30am Year 2 Performance to Parent/Carers of Badger Class (All) & Fox Class (A-L surnames)
- 9th 9:30am Year 2 Performance to Deer Class (All) & Fox Class (M-Z surnames)
- 11th 1-4pm Summer Fair
- 20th Last Day of Term
- 21st INSET Day. School closed to the children.
- 22nd INSET Day. School closed to the children.

Welcome Back!



Welcome back to the final half term of this academic year. We hope that you all had a restful break.

Miss Hickie
Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead



Open Afternoon

On Tuesday, 14th July we will be having 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 Summer term. Please feel free to visit other classrooms too and take **another opportunity to meet your child/ren's class teacher for next year.**

Assembly Theme

The assembly theme for next week will be:

**We show respect -
Looking after the environment**



Attendance Update

**Highest Class
Attendance for this week
goes to:**

Otter Class – 96.61%

Whole School Attendance is 95.96%

(National Expectation is 96% or better)

The attendance rate (proportion of possible sessions attended) was 93.47% across all schools in the week commencing 27 April 2026. The absence rate was, therefore, 6.53% across all schools.

No Nuts



Please be aware that products containing nuts could be a risk to other children in school with a nut allergy, so please avoid giving your child anything containing nuts to eat in their snack or lunchbox.

Thank you.

Universal Infant Free School Meals from September 2026 Current YR and Y1 Parent/Carers



Please can we ask that you confirm via the questionnaire link below whether you will require Easy Lunch to provide your child with a hot lunch when they are in school from September 2026. It seems early to ask but there is a lot of administration that needs to be done in advance of coming back in September.

Your prompt response would be greatly appreciated.

Current Reception and Current Year 1 parent/carers

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdBzFhyWckpYnGN5BDsG5XVbbBMupyj7uwGj4xlJDApaUNQAg/viewform>

Trafalgar School Fund
QR Code:



Year 2 Summer Performance – 'Eddie the Penguin Saves the World!'



It won't be long before our Year 2 children will start rehearsing for their Summer show 'Eddie the Penguin'. When Eddie notices his iceberg is melting he decides to move up to the North Pole in search of more ice, however he soon realises that it is fast disappearing there too. On a mission to stop the ice melting any further, Eddie travels the globe to tell all the humans just how they can help.

Our Year 2 children are looking forward to performing for up to a maximum of two parents/carers at 9.30am on the mornings of Wednesday, 8th July and Thursday, 9th July. **The Wednesday performance will be for parent/carers of Badger Class (All) & Fox Class A-L surnames and the Thursday performance will be for Deer class (All) and Fox Class M-Z surnames.**

We look forward to welcoming you into school.

Year 2 Team

The children and staff work really hard to get ready for these shows, and are excited to perform it you all. To help the school to continue to provide the best possible resources for the children, there will be collection buckets and a QR code available for donations into our school fund, no matter how small. Any contribution that you are able to make is really valuable to us. Many thanks for your support.

Message from the Governors - Tell us what you think by completing our Parent Survey (and have a chance to win a £20 amazon voucher!)

Please remember to complete and submit the Governor survey ... with the chance of winning a £20 Amazon voucher if you enter the draw!

CLICK this link to take the survey: <https://forms.gle/BgLQRrD7oKfm943k6>

Year 2 Sports Day



Well done to Year 2 on completion of your Sports day today and thank you to all the Year 2 parent/carers who came out to support their child/ren. Another really successful day was had by all!

Thank you also to Tessa Walder for supporting us in the organisation and running of the event.



WSCC Oral health survey - children 5 and under



Please find below a link to an oral health survey that is on the West Sussex County Council website, about oral health for under-5s. The survey closes on Friday, 12th June if you are interested in completing it.

<https://yourvoice.westsussex.gov.uk/oral-health-online-survey>

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

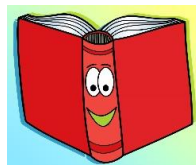
- Wednesday, 3rd Sept 2025
- Monday, 3rd Nov 2025
- Monday, 23rd Feb 2026
- Tuesday, 21st July 2026
- Wednesday, 22nd July 2026

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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, 3rd July**. Please look out for the 'Year 2 Farewell Book' letter which will be coming home soon.

Library Summer Reading Challenge Assembly



The summer holidays will be here before we know it and that can only mean one thing - the [Summer Reading Challenge](#) is on its way! The West Sussex Library Service are busy organising **school assemblies** to help promote the challenge and are due to be coming into Trafalgar School on **Thursday, 2nd July** to share more information with the children.

The theme for this year's Summer Reading Challenge is **Read to the Beat**, celebrating the joy of music and the power it has to move, inspire, and connect us - all through the magic of reading.

Look out for further information in the coming weeks.



Did you know....?

Poetry can be a valuable tool in helping your child develop their reading:

"The predictability of rhymes in poems and songs also helps children to memorise and re-use newly acquired words and phrases.

Learning poetry and songs using 'call and response' allows children to join in gradually. Each repetition strengthens their vocabulary, embedding new words... The cadence of the lines helps to convey the meaning and the mood. Children pick up the rhythm and, by speaking more slowly, gain awareness and control of their voices...it can also heighten children's awareness of the individual sounds within words through alliteration, assonance and rhyme."

(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...

Share some favourite poems with your child, and together, **select a poem that you will both try to learn by heart this week.**

Work together to learn the poem.

You could: repeat sections over and over, add actions, use picture prompts, chant it together on the way to school, or turn the poem into a song (you could make up your own or use a well-known tune (e.g. a nursery rhyme tune) and fit the words to that tune).

At the end of the week, perform the poem together!

Your child could even ask their teacher if they could perform it in school to their class.