

Trafalgar Newsletter

Special Events:

June			
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 Cherry class (all) and Ruby class A-F surnames Parent/Carers	
10 th	9.30am	Year 2 Performance to Poppy class (all) and Ruby class G-Z surnames Parent/Carers	
11 th	3.15-4.00pm	Open Afternoon	
12 th			
13 th	1-3pm	FTS Summer Fair	
15 th			
23 rd		Last Day of Term	

Fire Drill



We had a successful whole school fire drill on Friday afternoon and all the children, staff and visitors in school vacated the building quickly and safely.

Miss Hickie
Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

Long Hair, Nail Varnish and Sunglasses



Please remember that long hair should be tied back in school, and children should not be wearing nail varnish. Sun glasses are not to be worn by the children as they can get knocked and cause injury when on the playground etc.

If your GP has advised that your child needs to wear them for a medical reason, please share evidence of this from your GP with the School Office for our records.

Trafalgar Clothes and Food Banks



Don't forget that we have our 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 our 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.

21st June 2024

Assembly Theme

The assembly theme for next week will be:

Horsham Library Summer Reading Challenge



Attendance Update

Highest Class Attendance for this week goes to:

Navy Blue – 99.11%

Whole School Attendance is 94.85%
(National Expectation is 96% or better)

The attendance rate (proportion of possible sessions attended) was 90.7% across all schools in the week commencing 20 May 2024. The absence rate was, therefore, 9.3% across all schools.



Please find below a link to a job vacancy that the NHS Flu Vaccination team have asked us to share with you, to assist with their Flu vaccination Programme between September and December.

The closing date is 24/06/2024 and details can be found here:

[Job Advert \(jobs.nhs.uk\)](https://jobs.nhs.uk)

Sport's Day Reminder



This year, Sports Day will be spread over three different dates. These will start at 9.15am and you are invited to come and cheer your children on.

Each year group will have their own Sports Day on the Trafalgar playground, split into 5 teams in each class. They will be competing in three different mini events 1) An obstacle course; 2) A hockey and tennis balancing course; 3) A mini running race (Reception) or a football dribble course. These will all require skills that the children have learnt over the course of the year in PE. We aim to finish at 10:45/11.

After the children have had lunch, we are hoping to compete in running races over in the Recreation ground, next to the school starting at 1.30pm (awaiting confirmation). **This will be for Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Day only.** Each child will have 3 to 4 races. You are again welcome to come and watch and cheer your child/ren on. We aim to finish at around 2:15/30.

A reminder of the Sports Day dates:

Year R on Monday, 24th June

Year 1 on Friday, 28th June

Year 2 on Monday, 1st July

Mr Hallett
PE Co-ordinator

Year 2 Transition Visits to Greenway

Those children joining Greenway in September have been on two visits this week to get to know the school. We identified all the things that are the same as Trafalgar and some of the things that are new or different. We loved reading stories and playing games with the current year 3 children, but our favourite part was definitely exploring the loose parts, including crates, drums and tyres, that are used at playtimes.



"We've got the same glue sticks"

"It's a bit bigger and it's got a big library"

"I liked exploring the hall"

"It's got LOADS of crates to build with"

"I liked reading books"



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

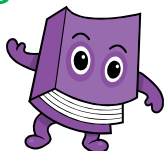


Year 2 children have started to choose their Farewell Books to be left in the Trafalgar school library when they leave us at the end of this term. The children have chosen a brand new book and placed their book plate and message inside.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who have already made a donation for their child to choose a Farewell Book. When pupils at Trafalgar borrow a library book in the future, they will be able to see who donated the book and all the lovely messages Year 2s have said about their time at Trafalgar.

The deadline for Farewell Book messages and donations to be handed in is **Friday, 5th July.**

Trafalgar School Books



Please, please remember to look for any Trafalgar School books you may have lurking under beds, in drawers or down beside sofa cushions and return them to school before the end of term ... no questions asked! We need them all in by the end of term please for stocktaking.

Purple Mash 'Design a Ball' Competition

Your child will be participating in the Purple Mash 'Design a ball' competition in association with Alive and Kicking, to celebrate the Euros. They have been asked to choose one of two templates to create their design. Your child will be completing this, either this week or next week, during their computing lesson in school. The winning design from each age group will get their design printed on a ball and sent to them to keep.



Did you know....?

"You don't have to know much about the English language to realise that not every word follows the phonic code! *There are lots of very common words that can't be sounded out using basic phonics* - including many of the most useful words in English, such as 'the', 'was', 'one', 'were', 'their', etc. These words just *have to be learnt by sight*. Fortunately, because they're so familiar, children get lots of practice with them!"

<https://www.penguin.co.uk/articles/children/2017/how-to-help-your-child-learn-to-read.html>

Challenge(s) of the week...

Spend the week 'hunting the tricky words' with your child.

Tricky words are words which are not written phonetically. You can't sound them out!

Can they spot tricky words in sentences?
Can they spot tricky words in stories?

Make a list/poster all about your 'tricky word hunt'.

You could share it on the Trafalgar Digital Library or take a photo and send it into the office to share with your child's class teacher.