



# Trafalgar Newsletter

## Special Events:

### Summer Term 2025

June	
27 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 Sports Day
30 <sup>th</sup>	Reception Sports Day
July	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Sports Day
9 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 Performance to Badger class (all) and Fox class A-I surname Parents/Carers
10 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 Performance to Deer class (all) and Fox class J-Z surnames Parents/Carers
11 <sup>th</sup>	Reserve Sports Day
14 <sup>th</sup>	Transition Meetings: 9.10am YR->Y1 2.40pm Y1->Y2
21 <sup>st</sup>	Last Day of Summer Term
22 <sup>nd</sup>	INSET Day. School closed for the children

## Trafalgar School Fund QR Code:



27<sup>th</sup> June 2025

## Universal Infant Free School Meals from September 2025 Current YR and Y1 Parent/Carers



Thank you to those families who have already submitted a response via the link below.

If not, we would be grateful if you could please 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 2025.

Your prompt response would be greatly appreciated.

**Current Reception and Current Year 1 parent/carers**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1UwjIFEfIH6QOUfpoiwHoGTcdBj660Codi-CHKFh3Q/edit>

Miss Hickie  
Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

## Assembly Theme

The Assembly Theme next week will be:

**Library Summer Reading Challenge**



## Attendance Update

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

**Deer Class – 100%**

**Whole School Attendance is 96.07%**

**(National Expectation is 96% or better)**

The attendance rate across the 2024/25 academic year to date was 93.3%. The absence rate was, therefore, 6.7% across all schools. The rate of persistent absence (pupils who miss 10% or more of their possible sessions) was 18.2%, which is a 1.9 percentage point decrease compared to the equivalent point last academic year.

## 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.

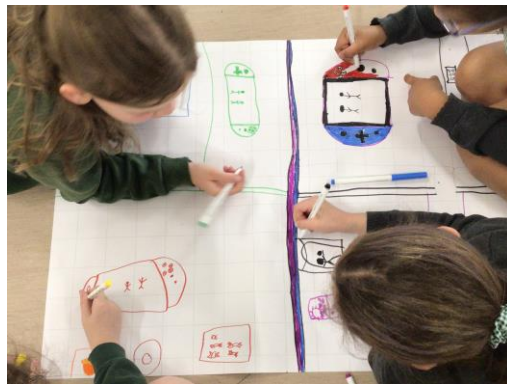
## *Year 2 Transition Visits to Greenway*

Year 2 have visited Greenway this week where they spent time with some of the current Year 3 classes. Working in pairs, they had to find people such as 'who had a wobbly tooth', 'who has a sibling at Greenway'. In bigger groups they then designed their own classroom using their imaginations and finished with some team building PE games.

"I didn't want to ask people questions but my partner helped me."

"I'd love to have a place with lots of bean bags in the classroom."

"We had to work as a team to get the bean bag over and under our group."



## *Year 2 Sports Day*



Thank you to all the Year 2 parent/carers who came out to support their child/ren today. The children had a really successful day!

Thank you also to Tessa Walder for supporting us in the organisation and running of the events. A big thank you to the Year 6 Sports Captains from Greenway who came and supported. They did a brilliant job!

We are also looking forward to the Year R and Year 1 Sports Days before the end of term.

**Please remember that the Reception Sports Day on Monday has been postponed until Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> July (due to the predicted high temperatures) and the Year 1 Sports Day will be on next Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> July.**

We look forward to seeing you all there!

Mrs Cotton  
PE Co-ordinator and Deputy Headteacher

## Staffing and Classes for September 2025

For your interest, below is a table of the staffing and year groups for September 2025.

All children will have an opportunity to visit their teachers and new classrooms on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July. Our new entrants for September 2025 will also be joining us on that morning. As well as this morning, teachers will be spending time throughout the next few weeks making short informal visits to their new classes e.g. reading a story, visiting during lessons, seeing them on the playground etc.

Reception		
EYFS Lead - Mrs Cotton		
Mole Class	Rabbit Class	
Miss Risby (Mon-Thur) & Mrs Cotton (Fri)	Miss Carne	
Year 1		
Otter (receiving Rabbit)	Mouse (receiving Mole)	
Miss Chatfield  Miss Chatfield is a new teacher to Trafalgar and will be with us for the transition morning.	Ms Bowles (M-Th) and Mrs Lung (Th-F)	
Year 2		
Fox (receiving Mouse)	Badger (receiving Otter)	Deer (receiving Squirrel)
Mrs Lucas	Mrs Wallace	Miss Power and a new teacher tbc will share the class  Interviews are currently being carried out

All classes will have additional support from our team of Learning Assistants.

In addition, Mrs Knapp our Higher Level Teaching Assistant will provide cover for teachers, for example during their planning and preparation time.

### Learning Assistant Team:

Mrs Aniceto, Miss Bolton, Mrs Brooks, Mrs Chalmers, Mrs Doherty, Mrs Harrison,  
Mrs Knapp, Miss Lockyer, Mrs Pettigrew, Mr Oldfield, Mrs Senneck, Mrs Urpeth,  
Mrs Winterberg & Miss Wood

Emotional Literacy Support Assistant: Mrs Bolton

### Leadership Team:

Miss Hickie - Headteacher, Mrs Cotton - Deputy (Monday-Wednesday, Friday)  
Miss Power - SENDCo and Deer Class Teacher

### Office Team:

Mrs Tilley (Secretary), Mrs Valentine-Bauldry (Administrator), Ms Dendy (Bursar) &  
Mr West (Premises)

### Midday Meal Supervisors:

Mrs Potter & Mrs Harman

## Term Dates 2024/2025

### Autumn Term:

2<sup>nd</sup> Sept - 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 2024

- Half Term 28<sup>th</sup> Oct - 1<sup>st</sup> Nov
- Christmas break 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec 2024 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2025

### Spring Term:

6<sup>th</sup> Jan - 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025

- Half Term 17<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> Feb
- Easter break 7<sup>th</sup> April - 21<sup>st</sup> April

### Summer Term:

22<sup>nd</sup> April - 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025

- Half Term 26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> May

### Inset Days

- Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2024
- Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2024
- Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> Feb 2025
- Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025
- Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025

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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, 11<sup>th</sup> July**.



*Win £1,000 for our School Library*

Using <https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools-prize> you could nominate our school to #rebuildthelibrary and win a £100/£120 National Book Token for yourself!

Just click on the link and scroll down to 'Nominate a School'.



### Did you know....?

The author J.D. Salinger (who wrote the classic book 'The Catcher in the Rye') wrote:

*"What really knocks me out is a book that, when you're all done reading it, you wish the author that wrote it was a terrific friend of yours and you could call him up on the phone whenever you felt like it. That doesn't happen much, though."*

### Challenge(s) of the week...

**Spend time as a family, discussing your favourite book/author.**

What might you ask the author if you met them?

If you could ask them to write another book, what would you suggest?

What do you think they look like (if you don't know)? Can you find a real photo of them online to compare with your thoughts?

What do you think their hobbies are?

Do you think they have pets/children/siblings?

If they were your friend, what do you think they'd be like?

If you could write them a letter/email/text, what would you say?