



# Trafalgar Newsletter

## Special Events:

### Autumn Term 2024

October		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.10-9.40am	English/Phonics Workshop - School Hall
8 <sup>th</sup>	9.10-9.40am	Maths Workshop - School Hall
11 <sup>th</sup>		Individual school photos being taken in school-JP Photographic
25 <sup>th</sup>		'Trafalgar Day' celebrations in school
28 <sup>th</sup> -1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Half term break	
November		
6 <sup>th</sup>	4-7pm	Parent Consultations
12 <sup>th</sup>		Influenza Vaccination Day
	3.30-5pm	Parent Consultations
13 <sup>th</sup>	3.30-5pm	Parent Consultations
15 <sup>th</sup>		Children in Need
December		
10 <sup>th</sup>		Y1 Performance to Parents/Carers
11 <sup>th</sup>		Y1 Performance to Parents/Carers
13 <sup>th</sup>		FTS Christmas Market & Christmas Jumper Day
17 <sup>th</sup>		FTS Pantomime treat
20 <sup>th</sup>		Last Day of Term
23 <sup>rd</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan		Christmas break
Spring Term 2025		
January 2025		
6 <sup>th</sup>		Spring Term begins

This week the children have been learning about some of our 'Growth Garden' characters. We talked in our assemblies about Curly the co-operative ladybird. I have spotted lots of children this week co-operating with each other both inside and outside the classrooms.

Our other characters can be seen on the wall in our school hall.

Thank you to those parents who continue to park safely when dropping off children at our school. Please continue to park in a safe and respectful way, not blocking another car or a neighbour's driveway and not on any yellow lines or zigzags. The yellow lines are there to ensure there are safe crossing points for our children and their families.

Thank you for your co-operation.



Miss Hickie  
Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

20<sup>th</sup> September 2024

## Assembly Theme

The assembly theme for this week is:

Sharing



## Attendance Update

Highest Class

Attendance for this week goes to:

Mole Class – 98.2%

Whole School Attendance is 96.5 %  
(National Expectation is 96% or better)

## Reminder: Year 1 Woodland Time



Each Year 1 class will have a Woodland Time session with Mrs Cotton, who is a trained Forest School Leader, this half term. We will be finding out all about the weather and Autumn.

We will go out whatever the weather (unless there are thunderstorms).

### Clothing...

On their Woodland Time day please send your child in school uniform as usual.

Please make sure your child has a rain coat and jumper (even if it looks sunny).

If it looks wet, please bring a named pair of wellies into school in a carrier bag. You may also like to bring waterproof trousers or an old pair of trousers/tracksuit bottoms that they can change into.

### Dates:

Otter Class	-	Wednesday, 25 <sup>th</sup> September
Mouse Class	-	Wednesday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> October
Squirrel Class	-	Wednesday, 9 <sup>th</sup> October

## *Let's Get Creative – Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> October*



On Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> October we will be holding our first 'Let's Get Creative' morning for this academic year. The theme will be to learn more about our class animals in a creative way. If you are free in the morning on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> October and feel you could come into school to help with any of the exciting activities on offer, then we would greatly welcome parent/carer/grandparent/governor helpers to assist the with these creative activities. In previous years, our art activities have included painting, weaving, baking, nature led art, printing with ink, collage, sock puppet making and following the work of some inspirational artists and illustrators.

The purpose of our 'Let's Get Creative' morning is to inspire all of our children to embrace their creativity and express themselves through art.

If you are able to come in and volunteer please contact the School Office at [office@trafalgarinfant.com](mailto:office@trafalgarinfant.com). We would love to see you in school however, I'm afraid we cannot guarantee that you will be working with your own child.

## *Individual School Photos – Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> October*



The school photographer will be available to take individual school photos of every child in each class on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> October.

If you would like siblings who **do not** attend Trafalgar to have their photographs taken together, please be ready at school for 8.00am and go straight to the Hall. Siblings in school will automatically have their photographs taken together during the school day.

Unless you have completed relevant paperwork to say you do not wish your child to be photographed, we will assume that you are happy to have your child photographed.

Please let the School Office know by Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> October if this is **NOT** the case.

## *Reception Year 6-week-in Parent/Carers Meeting Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> October*



A reminder that the Reception '6-week-in' meeting will be taking place in the school hall on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm. The meeting normally lasts for about one hour.

This is an opportunity, now that your YR child has settled, to learn even more about how and what they will be learning, and how you can help with this, as we know that educating your child is a joint-venture! The YR teachers will be sharing tips with you, so please do try to come along. If you can avoid bringing children on this occasion, you will probably find the meeting more beneficial.

If you are not able to attend, then the key information or resources will be on Google Classroom after this event. Please make sure you have signed up for Google Classroom, let the class teacher know if you are having any difficulties. Lots of useful information is posted there every week.

Please email the School Office ([office@trafalgarinfant.com](mailto:office@trafalgarinfant.com)) as soon as possible, if you are able to attend the meeting. We will need to know so we can put out the right number of chairs and make sure we have enough cups of tea ready.

## 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

- 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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## Message from the Governing Body

The Governing Body would like to welcome everyone in the Trafalgar Community Infant School community to the new academic year and in particular those families who have joined the school community for the first time.

Last week the governors held their first meeting of the academic year and have been appointed to various committees and into roles for the year ahead. I have been re-elected as Chair of Governors and Holly Prescott has been re-elected as Vice Chair.

There will be updates from the governors in future newsletters, which will include sharing the work of the Governing Body. The governors can always be contacted via the School Office.

Sarah Brockhurst  
Chair of Governing Body

## *2025 Starting School and Transfer to Junior School Process*

On line applications open:

Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Deadline for applying for a school place for your child is:

Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025

For more information go to:

[www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-places/apply](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-places/apply)

## Greenway Junior School Open Events

We warmly invite families to visit Greenway Junior School for Year 3 2025 admissions and in year admissions for a tour of our school.

**Tuesday 8th October 9.15am**

**Wednesday 16th October 10.15am**

**Wednesday 23rd October 10.15am**

**Tuesday 5th November 9.15am**

**Monday 11th November 10.15am**

**Friday 22nd November 10.15am**

**Wednesday 27th November 9.15am**

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2.00pm**

**Friday 6th December 10.15am**

**Wednesday 8th January 10.15am**

To book onto one of the tours and find out more about our exciting school journey, where every child can grow, learn and flourish, please email [office@greenwayschool.org.uk](mailto:office@greenwayschool.org.uk) with your name, preferred tour date, contact number and the number of attendees. Spaces are limited for each day

The tour will last up to 45 minutes.