

#### Special Events:

# July 1st 9.15am Year 2 Sports Morning & 1.30pm in the Rec 9th 9.30am Year 2 Performance to Cherry class (all) and Ruby class A-F surnames Parent/Carers 10th 9.30am Year 2 Performance to Poppy class (all) and Ruby class G-Z surnames Parent/Carers 11th 3.15-4.00pm Open Afternoon 12th 13th 1-3pm FTS Summer

Last Day of Term

# Trafalgar Newsletter

## Safety on the Roads Around School

5th July 2024







Following a telephone call from a concerned neighbour we appeal to you all to think seriously about the potential consequences of awkward or obstructive parking in the roads/on corners leading to the school or the turning circle outside the school. If your child was injured and was in need of emergency services immediately, would your parking prevent an ambulance getting along the road or gaining access to a casualty? Turning circles are to turn a vehicle around in, and not to park or stop in. If you spot any dangerous driving then please report this directly to Operation Crackdown at www.operationcrackdown.org (this partnership between Sussex Police and Sussex Safer Roads Partnership) or call 01243 64 22 22 - it takes a few minutes to report this, and we know that some of our families have been contacted as a result of being reported. Reports are treated in strictest confidence.

Whilst we appreciate that traffic, parking and dropping off and collecting from school can be a frustrating affair your co-operation and consideration is greatly appreciated.

Members of the Rushams Road Speedwatch Group will be around the school environs over the next couple of weeks hoping to talk to parents about a '20mph speed limit for Trafalgar' survey. They will be in their high vis Speedwatch jackets and would love to hear your opinions.

Miss Hickie, Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

# Assembly Theme

The assembly theme for next week will be:

Having Dreams for the Future





# Attendance Update

Highest Class Attendance for this week goes to:

Emerald, Lime and & Navy Classes – 98.4%

Whole School Attendance is 94.94%

(National Expectation is 96% or better)

The attendance rate (proportion of possible sessions attended) was 92.9% across all schools in the week commencing 10 June 2024. The absence rate was, therefore, 7.1% across all schools.

# Year 2 Farewell Books



A final reminder for any Year 2 Farewell Book contributions and messages to be handed in to the School Office please. If you require a duplicate 'Year 2 Farewell Books' letter (the original of which would have come home via your child/children), please don't hesitate to contact us.

### Year 2 Sports Day



Thank you to all the Year 2 parent/carers who came out to support their child/ren on Monday morning. Another really successful day was had by all!

Thank you again to Tessa Walder for supporting us in the organisation and running of the events and to the Year 5s and Year 6s from Greenway who spent the morning with us. Their help and encouragement was very much appreciated.

We have been incredibly fortunate with the weather on all three of our Sports days this year which is always a bonus!

Mr Hallett PE Co-ordinator

# Big Thank, you!

A very big thank you to Mr Zimmer for totally transforming a mud kitchen that was donated to our school for use in our Reception Year garden. It looks amazing!



# Henry Adams Competition Winner

Congratulations to Ethan who has won the Henry Adams 2024 competition to design an Olympic flag representing the Olympic and Paralympic values of Excellence, Respect and Friendship!

Henry Adams will be displaying the flags in their local windows. Do look out for Ethan's!



# Reminder: 'Tin Trail' Donations – Monday, 8th July



A reminder that at Trafalgar School, we would like to do a food donation collection on <u>Monday</u>, <u>8<sup>th</sup> July</u>. Any donations collection will go towards the Horsham District Foodbank Tin Trail. Alternatively, you are welcome to take items to The Bridge Leisure Centre directly on Tuesday, 9th July between 9am-8pm.

#### Y1 Woodland Time











# Year 1 Woodland Time



Year 1 had fantastic Woodland Time sessions on Tuesday. We took all our scientific knowledge about plants and found ways to use and apply it in nature. We made natural paintbrushes from sticks and evergreen leaves and made our own paint from wood and chalk. We also loved making flower potions and digging to find roots and bugs.

"I learnt that holly is an evergreen"
"Charcoal is burnt wood"
"I found 2 woodlice"
"I learnt you can make paint from charcoal and then you add oil"

Year 2 will have their Woodland Time on Tuesday, 16th July.

Mrs Cotton Deputy Headteacher



#### 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

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, 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024

# Big Thank you to the Friends of Trafalgar (FTS)!

An ongoing project this year has been to refurbish the Year 2 classrooms. A huge thank you to the FTS who have raised money to help us to do this. We have replaced the trays, chairs and rugs. All of these items were old and used to be bright red. Here are some of the comments that Year 2 children have made about the changes.

"Our classrooms used to be very red. It's a really angry colour."

"Our room is calmer now. The colours are more peaceful."

"The chairs are comfortable, they don't tip back like the other ones."

"Plain colours help you to concentrate."







# 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 to do a stock check over the Summer so your assistance would be much appreciated.



#### Did you know....?

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

"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.

wrote:

What might you ask the author if you met

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?

thev Do you think have pets/children/siblings?

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

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

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