



Preparing for all Weathers!

If it is very sunny please can we also ask that you put sun cream on your child before they come into school, however no sunglasses please. Your assistance would be appreciated.

Induction Day – Wednesday, 5th July 2023

For your advance notice, on **Wednesday, 5th July** our Year 2 children will enjoy an induction day at their new schools.

For those of our Years 2s who are going to Greenway Academy, you should by now have received your child's New Starter Pack from Greenway setting out the plan for their day. Please let us know via the link below whether you would like us to order your child a packed lunch on this day.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1OK5AyiNSTu6HLe7IHsSwJs1bm0kohxuH55_aZnP_x7w/edit

On 5th July, children going to Greenway should come to school at Trafalgar to be registered at the usual time. Trafalgar staff will then take the children to Greenway for the day and bring them back to Trafalgar in time for 3.15pm.

Trafalgar children who are moving into Years 1 and 2 or who are joining Reception in September will also have a chance to visit their new classes and familiarise themselves with their new teachers, learning assistants and classrooms on this day too. This is a significant time for the Trafalgar Community because we look forward to new beginnings and opportunities and prepare to say farewell to our fantastic Year 2 children!

CoolMilk – Over 5s – Please Register for Milk



A reminder that once your child turns 5 years old, they will no longer be eligible for the free milk for under-5s scheme.

However, if you would like your child to continue having milk delivered to school daily, once they have turned 5 years old, for a subsidised cost, you can register your child with CoolMilk direct via their website www.coolmilk.com or by telephone to 0800 321 3248.

Once you have registered your child, CoolMilk will let us know and their name will be added to the classroom list. Please note this does take a few days to process so the sooner you register them, the sooner they will start having milk again.

Sports Days 2023



We are looking forward to welcoming parents/carers into school this summer term to support the children in their sport/activity days.

Each year group will have their own sports day.

Year 1 on Monday 7th July

Year 2 on Friday 10th July

Year R on Monday 3rd July

Reserve date: Friday, 15th July

Classes will be competing in different sporting/activity-based challenges and scoring points towards their class team. More details will follow shortly.

Mr Hallett
PE Co-ordinator

Sussex Greener Living - Repair and Rewild Roadshow



Sussex Greener Living - Repair and Rewild Roadshow. What a wonderful opportunity to support our ecology curriculum!

Carrie Court and Morag Warrack from Sussex Greener Living are coming into Trafalgar School on Monday, 22nd May to support our ecology learning. They will be here all day with a range of activities.

- There will be the Sussex Greener Living **ECO Float** on the playground at drop-off AND pick up times for parents and carers to engage with Sussex Greener Living and find out more about its valuable work. Please stop and chat with them and pick up a leaflet!
- There is a whole school assembly at 9.10am - focusing on The Repair Cafe/ Sussex Green Hub - teaching children about the importance of fixing broken toys, bikes and repairing clothes rather than just always throwing away and buying new.
- There will be workshops with each Year 1 class: spending time exploring the ECO Float looking at the eco garden and landscape- what can they see, introduction to composting, importance of growing food for humans and wildlife.
- and then Year 1 will be rewilding the raised beds behind the huts as a meadow, bee-friendly, sensory herb area. and looking at how the surrounding areas can be enhanced for wildlife. The sessions will be as interactive and as 'hands-on' as possible.
- The school used to host a TerraCycle drop off and Miss Green has agreed to restart a drop off with bins open to the public by our textile bank. Sussex Green Living recycling team will help to set this up. A school volunteer will need to manage this, training and set up support will be provided by Sussex Greener Living.
- Year 1 have already begun weeding the beds to be used before Sussex Greener Living's visit as part of their science curriculum/ learning.

To support this ECO project, we are asking for donations from parents and carers of any suitable plants from your own garden, as healthy cuttings, so we can begin the planting up and rewilding of the flower beds around school.

Suitable plants: any robust herb plants would be wonderful- rosemary, marjoram, lovage, thyme or even resilient food plants like rhubarb or currants or gooseberries would be great.

Also, if you have any bee-friendly plants for pollinators that would be great:

Spring flowering: Buddleia are great for adult butterflies as are early season: Aubretia, Bluebell, Clover, Cuckooflower, Daisy, Forget-me-not, Honesty, Pansy, Primrose, Sweet Rocket and Wallflower.

Late Summer/ Autumn flowering: French Marigold, Michaelmas Daisy.

We are also asking for a volunteer to support the school and Sussex Greener Living by volunteering to manage the TerraCycle. Training and set up support will be provided by Sussex Greener Living.

We greatly appreciate your support in developing this aspect of the school curriculum and the school grounds. If anyone is able to pop in and help maintain these areas in the future, at a time that suits you, please contact the school office.

Ms E. Bowles
Science and ECO Lead



Term Dates 2022/2023

Autumn Term:

1 Sept - 16 Dec 2022

- Half Term 24 -28 Oct
- Christmas break 19 Dec - 2 Jan

Spring Term:

3 Jan - 31 March 2023

- Half Term 13-17 Feb
- Easter break 3-14 April

Summer Term:

17 April-21 July 2022

- Half Term 29 May - 2 June

Inset Days for the 2022/2023 academic year.

- Thursday, 1st September
- Friday, 2nd September
- Monday, 31st October
- Monday, 20th February
- Monday, 5th June

Advance notice of the Inset Days planned for the 2023/2024 academic year.

- Friday, 1st Sept 2023
- Monday, 4th Sept 2023
- Monday, 30th Oct 2023
- Monday, 19th Feb 2024
- Monday, 3rd June 2024

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Trafalgar Extracts from Young Writers 'Little Riddlers 2022'

Please enjoy below two more of the poems that our Year 2 children have had published in the 2022 edition of 'Little Riddlers'.

'What Am I?' by Emily

I have a black and white body.
I live in Antarctica.
I am very kind.
I eat fish.
I waddle.
I swim in the sea.
What am I?

ANSWER: A PENGUIN

'My Mysterious Animal' by Evie

I live in Australia.
I live in the trees.
I am cute.
I am grey.
My fur is very soft.
I give birth to babies.
What am I?

ANSWER: A KOALA

Cricket Club – Solar Panel Installation



For your advance notice, on Friday, 25th May, solar panels will start to be installed on the Cricket Club building in the Rec.

If you walk across the Rec either at the beginning or end of the day, please be mindful of keeping your children away of any equipment or works going on in order to keep everyone safe.



Did you know....?

Sharing and discussing *pictures* in non-fiction books offers opportunities to *broaden children's experiences* beyond the immediate and the local. For example, books about space, other countries, animals, exploration, and courageous people from a range of occupations and ethnic backgrounds are rich sources of vocabulary and knowledge. As well as building important knowledge, this extends their familiarity with words that support understanding across domains. Enriching and widening children's vocabulary will support later reading comprehension.

(https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/105089/Reading_framework_Teaching_the_foundations_of_literacy_-_July_2021_Jan_22_update.pdf)

Challenge(s) of the week...

Choose a picture prompt, sit down as a family and look at the picture, and each spend time imagining the story you think that picture tells.

You could draw pictures or jot down words/sentences to remember/create your story.

Share your stories with each other and discuss their similarities/differences. For the picture prompt, you could use photos, artwork, or image prompts from 'picture prompt' websites such as <https://www.onceuponapicture.co.uk/>. On the teacher-created 'Once Upon a Picture' website, when you click on an image, you can also read prompt questions to help you/your child start to explore the image and imagine the story it might tell.