



Trafalgar Newsletter

Special Events:

Summer Term 2025

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

Year 1 Sports Day

Thank you to all the Year 1 parent/carers who came out to support their child/ren this 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 event and to the Year 6 Sports Captains from Greenway who spent the morning with us. Their help and encouragement was very much appreciated.



We're looking forward to our rescheduled Reception Sports Day on Friday, 11th July.

Miss Hickie
Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

Reception Year – Butterfly Release

Rabbits and Moles were very excited to release our class butterflies this week. We watched them grow from tiny caterpillars to big caterpillars, looked closely at the chrysalises and then finally we set them free. They flew straight over to the wild flowers we planted by the pollination station.



4th July 2025

Assembly Theme

The Assembly Theme next week will be:

Having Dreams for the Future



Attendance Update

Highest Class
Attendance for this week goes to:

Deer Class – 100%

Whole School Attendance is 96.08%
(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.

Google Classroom



Please remember to sign up to your child's Google Classroom account. This is a platform where important information is shared by each year group and you can find out what your child is learning.

Shortly the new code for your child's September 2025 classroom will be sent to you so it is important that you are able to log in and join that new classroom.

If you require a password reset or log-in details please contact the School Office.

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Transition Meetings for Parents with Children Currently in Reception and Year 1



Please remember to book your place:

Current Reception Year parents meeting with next year's Year 1 staff:

Monday, 14th July : 9.10-9.40am

Current Year 1 parents meeting with next year's Year 2 teachers:

Monday, 14th July : 2.40-3.10pm

These meetings will help you prepare your child for change. If you are able to attend, then please can we ask that you email the school office to confirm your place. We do not need to know if you are not able to attend. We will be sharing information following these events, with all parent/carers, should you not be able to attend in person.

Message from your Trafalgar Speedwatch Team

After much negotiation, two new speed signs, financed by the Trafalgar Neighbourhood Council have been installed in Rushams Road and Merryfield Drive. Last summer, backed by the TNC, 524 local residents, of which 96% agreed, signed a petition requesting a 20mph limit for the area enclosed by Merryfield Drive/Redford Avenue, Greenway and Rushams Road. This was turned down by West Sussex County Council but we were invited to reapply for a 20 mph limit on a more focussed area. We shall now be focusing our attention on a new 20mph application just for Rushams Road between Greenway and Trafalgar Road.

The Trafalgar Speedwatch team was established in January 2021. We would welcome more volunteers to cover the Trafalgar area. Full training is given and we work in pairs. Each week we respond to a What's App message saying whether or not we can do a one hour session & agree the location. We only run sessions in daylight hours and in dry weather. It is entirely voluntary so sessions can be arranged for a time to suit the volunteers. The speeders we identify are reported to Sussex Police who then send a letter out to the registered owner which has a positive effect on reducing speeds. The data we collect helps to inform the decisions made about road safety in our local area. If you think you could help, please contact (Colin on 07711 023493 or email colinbush2302@gmail.com). You can also get more information at www.communityspeedwatch.org).

Message from Holy Trinity Playgroup

who we are very excited to be working more closely with from September...

'Holy Trinity Playgroup is a friendly, independent, term time only playgroup right in the heart of the community on Rushams Road. We have a large bright hall with access to a spacious patio and lawned garden area. From September 2025 we are excited to announce that we will be running two sessions from Trafalgar School. This allows us to now offer the full 30 hours government funded spaces for 2-4 year olds.

Please see our website for more information [Holy Trinity Playgroup | Playgroup and forest school in Horsham, West Sussex](#)

If you would like to arrange a visit please contact Julie & Nicola at holytritymanagement@gmail.com or call 07544648038.'



Story Garden

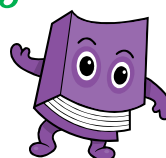
Join thousands of children taking part in the
Summer Reading Challenge
in all West Sussex Libraries from Saturday 12 July
View our [Story Garden video](#) to find out more!

- Fill in the **online registration form** at arena.westsussex.gov.uk/src
- Tell library staff the **secret code word**
- Pick up a book and start reading!
- **Collect rewards** for reading library books and completing special 'Extra Mile' Book Quests
- Read **any library books** you like—it's just for **FUN!**
- Look out for fun events and activities at your local library!



It's **FREE** to join the library and **FREE** to take part
Let's get GROWING!

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.

Term Dates 2024/2025

Autumn Term:

2nd Sept - 20th Dec 2024

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

Spring Term:

6th Jan - 4th April 2025

- Half Term 17th - 21st Feb
- Easter break 7th April - 21st April

Summer Term:

22nd April - 22nd July 2025

- Half Term 26th - 30th May

Inset Days

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

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Autumn 2025 Before and After School Clubs



TechyTots

Please see below the clubs that will be available next term (September 2025). Not all clubs will be available to all year groups, so to avoid disappointment please check that it is relevant to your child before you book (remembering that they will be in a new year group from September).

Monday Before School	MultiSkills	(Year 1 or 2)
Monday After School	Dodgeball	(Year 2)
Tuesday Before School	Rhythm Masters	(Year 1 or 2)
Wednesday After School	KicksDance	(Year 1 or 2)
Thursday Before School	Spanish	(All year groups)
Thursday After School	Fizz Pop Science	(Year 1 or 2)
Friday Before School	MultiSkills	(Year 1 or 2)
Friday After School	Woodland Club	(Year 1)
	TechyTots	(Year 1 or 2)

Please look out for the links, that will be emailed home early next week, in order to book with the external club leaders or to submit a Google Form for the internally run clubs.



Did you know....?

Ursula K. LeGuin (the author who wrote the children's 'Earthsea' book trilogy) said:

"We read books to find out who we are. What other people, real or imaginary, do and think and feel... is an essential guide to our understanding of what we ourselves are and may become."

Challenge(s) of the week...

Support your child to choose their own reading challenge(s) for the week, and to complete it/them:

- Draw a picture of a character from your favourite book.
- Find a picture book with no words and make up a story to go with the pictures.
- Read a book about animals.
- Read a book about your favourite hobby or interest - for example, performing, football, art, rugby, superheroes or space.
- Read a book set in a school.
- Read a book set in the past.

Read a book that teaches you a new skill - for example, a recipe book, or a book of magic tricks.