

Trafalgar Newsletter

Special Events:

September 2022

23rd FTS Good As New Sale after school
26th 9.10am Maths Workshop in the Hall
30th Flu Immunisation Day

October

3rd 9.10am Science Workshop in the Hall
14th Individual school photos being taken in school-JP Photographic 'Trafalgar Day' celebrations in school
24th-28th Half term break
31st INSET Day. School closed to the children

November

2nd Parent Consultations (Cherry Only)
3rd Parent Consultations (All Classes excl. Cherry)
9th Parent Consultations (All Classes)
10th Parent Consultations (All Classes excl. Cherry)
16th Parent Consultations (Cherry Only)

December

9th FTS Christmas Market
13th Y1 Performance to Parents/Carers
14th FTS Pantomime treat
15th Y1 Performance to Parents/Carers
16th Last Day of Term
19th-2nd Jan Christmas break inclusive

January 2023

3rd Spring Term begins

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Trafalgar School Core Values



As usual at the start of the academic year, the children are learning about our Core Values. Children are being praised/rewarded when we spot them demonstrating one of the values e.g. 'we are kind' or 'we are healthy and active'. Please do emphasise these at home too, and remind your child that it is important to e.g. be kind, and if someone is unkind to them, to say 'no, please stop' and tell an adult straight away.

Similarly, we have been talking to the children about how 'we learn everywhere' so please do ensure that you talk to your child about how we come to school to learn, and it is important that they listen carefully, share their great ideas, and try their best.

Thank you for your support with this.

Miss Green and Miss Hickie
Co-Headteachers and Designated Safeguarding Leads

23rd September 2022

Assembly Theme

The assembly theme for next week is:

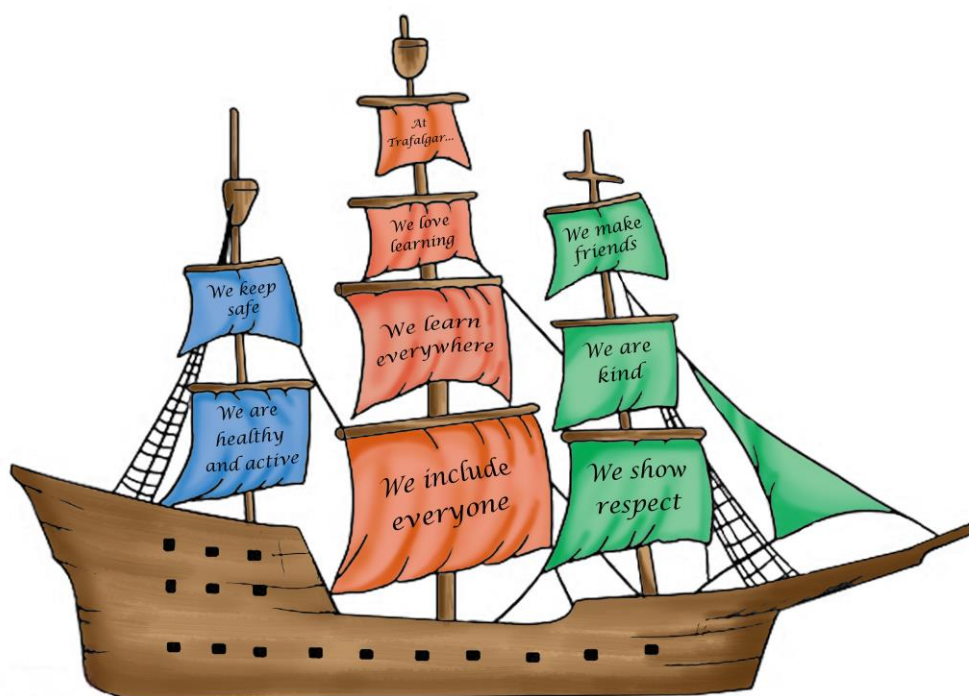
Role Models: Marcus Rashford



Flu Consents Reminder...

Please, please remember to consent (or decline) the offer of the flu immunisation nasal spray that the Immunisation Service will be offering in school on **Friday, 30/09/2022**. Please go to <https://www.susseximmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu> and use School Code: **SX125835**.

Core Values Ship



Trafalgar School Learning Council

Dear children in Reception and Years 1 and 2,

Would you like to join the Trafalgar Learning Council? The Learning Council meets each month with me in my room, during the school day, to share ideas about how we can improve the **learning** here in our school. In the past, the Learning Council has requested that we learn more using our senses, so planned and planted a new sensory garden, and and the LC are also keen to learn more on iPads, so we have asked the FTS to fund these.

We ideally need approximately two representatives from each class, but unfortunately we can't have everyone on the Learning Council, so I am inviting anyone who is interested to write a letter of application to me, to be passed to the School Office **by Friday, 30th September**. In the letter, please include the following (you can write it, or a parent/carer can scribe for you).

- Your full name and class
- A sentence saying that you would like to be on the Learning Council because... e.g. you want to help our school to be even better.
- A sentence explaining what skills you have, which would be good in the LC (Learning Council) e.g. I am good at listening, and I am confident to share ideas from my class in the LC meetings.

In the week following 30th September, I will look through the application letters, and try to get a range of skills in the group. Anyone who is not able to join, will still be able to contribute through their class rep, so please do reassure them that their great ideas will still be shared if they are not able to be a part of the group at this moment in time.

Miss Green

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.

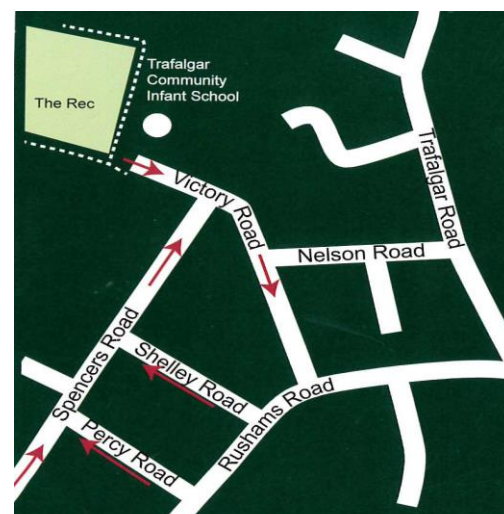
Last week the governors held their first meeting of the academic year and have been appointed to various committees and into roles for the next academic year. I have been elected as Chair of Governors and Holly Prescott has been elected as Vice Chair. We also welcomed a new co-opted governor, Sam Picknell, to the Governing Body.

In future newsletters the governors will be sharing the work they have been undertaking and the positive impact this has had on the school.

Sarah Brockhurst
Chair of Governing Body

Voluntary One Way System

The school is grateful to all parents/carers who are prepared to use the voluntary 'one way' system. For the safety of the children as well as for the convenience of all, we hope everyone will comply. As a reminder, when travelling to the school by car, leave Rushams Road by way of Percy Road, Shelley Road or Greenway and approach the school along Spencers Road; and when leaving the school rejoin Rushams Road by way of Victory Road. This is a considerable help in easing the congestion in the roads surrounding the school at peak times, and helps to improve safety, when parents/carers are delivering and collecting their children.



No Pokemon Cards or Toys in School Please...



A reminder... children are only to bring toys or Pokemon cards into school at the teacher's request. Generally, toys/cards from home are not to be brought in to play with as these can get lost or damaged and cause distraction and squabbles in the classroom. Thank you.

School Lunch Support



Now the majority of children are full-time and eating school lunches each day, please can we ask for your help at home to practice with your child using a knife and fork effectively. Many children in all three year groups are needing support to cut up their own food at lunch, so your support with this would be much appreciated. Many thanks in advance.

Easy Lunch Tasting Lunch Special – Thursday, 6th October



On Thursday, 6th October, The Easy Lunch Company will be providing a Tasting Lunch Special for the children at Trafalgar. Each child will be able to try both pizza and pasta. If your child does **not** currently have a hot lunch in school (UIFSM) but would like a hot lunch on this day, **please inform the School Office by the morning of Tuesday, 27th September at the latest.**

Menu

Margherita Pizza
and
Cheesy Tomato Pasta
With Mixed salad

Homemade Sponge Cake

Special dietary requirements who are registered with us will be catered for accordingly. However, please advise us if your child has a special diet but does not usually take up the option of a Universal Free School Meal.

If your child usually has a hot school lunch you need do nothing.

Parent/Carer Workshops

Thank you to those of you who attended the English information meeting this week. We hope that you found it useful. Please can we ask you to pop to the School Office, to complete or take away an evaluation, so that we know what you found useful and what else we could do to support you in the future.

May we also remind you of the following parent/carers workshop dates:

- **Monday, 26th September** we will be holding a **Maths Workshop** and on
- **Monday, 3rd October** we will be running a **Science Workshop**

Both Workshops will take place in the School Hall, starting at 9.10am. Please call or email the School Office if you would like to attend.

DEC Pakistan Floods Appeal Cake Sale – Friday, 30th Sept

One of our parents has asked us to let you know that there will be a cake sale in the playground after school on **Friday, 30th September** with funds going to the DEC Pakistan Floods Appeal.

Super floods in Pakistan have left 3.4 million children in need of “immediate, lifesaving support,” according to UNICEF. The floods - caused by record monsoon rains and dubbed by one minister as “the worst humanitarian disaster in a decade” - have impacted 16 million children in total. Pakistan has been declared a state of emergency, with many battling diseases diarrhoea, malaria and dengue fever.

A JustGiving page has been set up if you would like to make any donations
<http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/CakeSale4Pakistan>

Any cake donations would also be gratefully received, and can be left in the office on the morning of the cake sale, or brought to the playground after school. Thank you.

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 31 Mar-14 April

Summer Term:

17 April-21 July 2022

- Half Term 29 May - 2 June

Proposed Inset Days for the 2022/2023 academic year.

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

Plea for Newspapers



If you have any old newspapers that you would be willing to donate for use in school, we would be very appreciative.

Please bring them to the School Office. Thank you in anticipation.

Join our wonderful team of Volunteer Reading Helpers



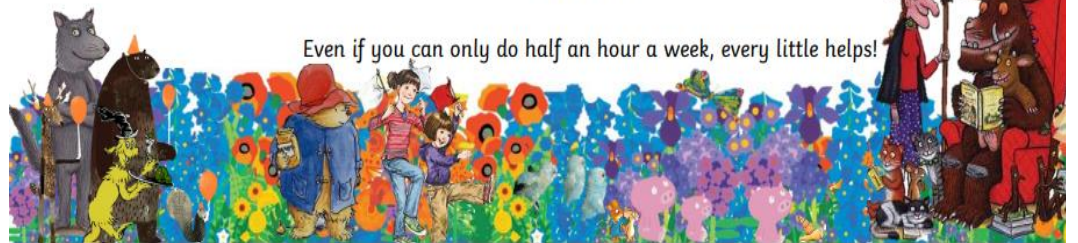
Become a Trafalgar Reading Hero!



Visit us weekly, and listen to children read and help us to keep our school library tidy and organised.

Email office@trafalgarinfant.com (or pop into the office) to let us know what day/time you could visit every week.

Even if you can only do half an hour a week, every little helps!



The Reading Corner



Did you know....?

“Children who see adults reading, and enjoying it, are much more likely to want to read themselves”

<https://www.pearson.com/uk/learners/primary-parents/learn-at-home/help-your-child-to-enjoy-reading/why-is-reading-so-important.html>

Challenge(s) of the week...

Set aside some time this week to visit the library with your child/children. If you/they don't have a library card (or it has expired), re-join! It's completely free and means you can access books in any library in West Sussex! Ask a member of staff if they can show you and your children around, and tell you all about how it is organised, how they can find/reserve/borrow/return books, and what the rules are. Borrow a book and set aside some time to spend reading it!