



# Trafalgar Junior School

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## MESSAGES FROM MR ALLEN

I had hoped that I would be writing this message to you from the Year 6 residential in Kingswood, still beaming from having just won the Euros, but sadly it wasn't to be... Our residential trip was called off at very late notice due to the number of Kingswood staff having to self-isolate, and England, well, I don't need to tell you what happened there!

However, we always on the lookout for silver linings and are happy to report that we have been able to rebook the Y6 residential for the final week of term. And as for England team, well I think we can still all be very proud of them; a team that got further in the competition than many of us predicted, and a team who fought for school meals, backed the NHS, knelt against racism and wore the rainbow with pride. The future looks bright!



And with the future in mind, please see the information below regarding classes and staffing for next year. Further on, you can also read about our own Trafalgar-based sporting successes!

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2021-22

A number of people have been asking if we will still operate a staggered timetable in September. It is likely that such details will have to be confirmed much closer to the time, as they will depend on the latest advice. However, we are hoping to be able to introduce one 'soft start' for all year groups to avoid waiting for different times for different age groups.

As for new classes and teachers, all children were told this afternoon who their teacher(s) will be for September. This information is set out in the table below. The plan is that all children will then meet their new teachers this coming Thursday. Please bear with us if any cases of self-isolation prevent this.

	<b>Current class</b>	<b>Teacher for 2021-22</b> <small>(Year Team Leaders in bold)</small>	<b>Class name for 2021-22</b>
<b>Y3</b>	Mixed Y2	<b>Miss Marns</b>	3M
	Mixed Y2	Mrs Brown	3B
<b>Y4</b>	3M	<b>Mrs Ram</b>	4R
	3C	Mrs Jain (Mon–Wed) & Mrs Craik (Thu & Fri)	4JC
	3B	Miss White	4W

<b>Y5</b>	Mixed Y4	<b>Mrs Johnstone</b> (Mon, Wed, Thu & Fri) & Mrs Jenkins (Tue)	5J
	Mixed Y4	Miss Sloan	5S
	Mixed Y4	Miss Ash (Mon–Wed) & Mrs Bradon (Thu & Fri)	5AB
<b>Y6</b>	5J	<b>Ms Patterson</b>	6P
	5AB	Miss Duffy	6D
	5JP	Mr Sargentoni	6S

At the end of this school year, we will be saying **goodbye to Miss Condon**, our Y3 Team Leader and Reading Lead. Miss Condon has been with us for five years but is now getting married and relocating. We wish her the very best for the future and thank her for all of her dedication and passion in teaching and promoting reading in her time with us.

It is not quite a goodbye but **Mrs Pannall** is moving from being one of our class teachers to being one of our regular cover teachers. We thank her for all of her hard work in Year 5 and look forward to continuing to work with her in the future. We welcome **Mrs Craik** to Y4; she has worked with us as both an interventions teacher and a cover teacher.

### SPORTS DAYS

The children enjoyed a fantastic (morning, or afternoon) of sports! Each year group enjoyed various sports activities, working together whilst trying to score as many points as possible for their teams. It was a fun, friendly atmosphere and we saw some brilliant teamwork on show. They then had the option for competitive races against other teams; the atmosphere was electric! Well done to Team Houghton (pictured) - our 2021 Trafalgar Junior Sports Day winners!



### FOOTBALL FESTIVAL

Our year 6 footballers enjoyed an afternoon of football with Coach Justin and Mr Sargentoni playing against other schools. The comradery and teamwork on show was very impressive - both our girls' and boys' team not only won every game, but did so as a **team**. There was a conscious decision to field two mixed ability teams, rather than an A and B team and this paid off with very player scoring at least 1 goal (apart from our goalkeeper, who performed brilliantly between the posts). A great representation - well done Trafalgar!



### GOLD CERTIFICATE ASSEMBLIES

Our Friday Golden Achievement assemblies are linked to the school's Golden Rules and here are some of the latest proud recipients of the weekly certificates. Congratulations to all of the children pictured for making a really noticeable effort.



## **CATERING UPDATE**

As our contract for school meals with ISS is expiring end of July, the Local Authority has informed us that a new contract has been awarded to Caterlink from September 2021 following a competitive tender process. Caterlink is a well-established company, a subsidiary of WSH who are one of the UK's largest catering contractors. Caterlink already provides services for schools in many London boroughs, including Islington, Camden, Sutton and, more recently, Merton. Further information for parents on the school meal provision from Caterlink have been sent along with this Newsletter.



Under the new contract, the school will be charged an increased amount per meal, partly accounted for by inflation and partly to enable them to pay their staff the London Living Wage. The new price per meal from September 2021 will, therefore, be £2.50 per day. For students entitled to free school meals there will be no change to the current arrangements.

If your financial circumstances have recently changed and you wish to find out if your child is entitled to free school meals, please send an email to [juniorinfo@trafalgarfederation.org.uk](mailto:juniorinfo@trafalgarfederation.org.uk) to advise us if you wish a check to be completed on your behalf.

## **TEST AND TRACE SUPPORT PAYMENT**

For people on a low income who must self-isolate for 10 days and cannot work from home during this period you may be entitled to the Test and Trace Support payment. Please visit the web page below for more information: [https://www.richmond.gov.uk/services/wellbeing\\_and\\_lifestyle/health\\_protection\\_information/coronavirus\\_information/where\\_can\\_i\\_find\\_help\\_or\\_support/covid-19\\_support\\_for\\_residents/isolation\\_payment](https://www.richmond.gov.uk/services/wellbeing_and_lifestyle/health_protection_information/coronavirus_information/where_can_i_find_help_or_support/covid-19_support_for_residents/isolation_payment)

## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

We are pleased to be able to start adding more dates in to our end of term diary but please note these may be subject to change due to COVID.



DATE	YEAR GROUP	EVENT
Tue 13 <sup>th</sup> July	5JP	Marble Hill House Visit
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> July	All pupils	Deadline for ordering class photos
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> July	All pupils	School reports out
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> – Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Y6	Rescheduled residential trip to Kingswood
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Y3 & Y5	Year group discos – Y3 5:30 – 6:30 and Y5 7:00 – 8:15pm
Weds 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Y4	Year group discos – Y4 5:30 – 6:30
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	All pupils	'Bend the Rules' mufti-day (see poster below)
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	All pupils	Last day of school – normal finish times
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept	All pupils	First day of the new school year for pupils



# BEND THE RULES Day

## FOR ONE DAY ONLY...

- ✓ Wear your uniform back to front
- ✓ Wear your own top, football shirt or hoodie
- ✓ Wear nail varnish
- ✓ Wear sunglasses to school
- ✓ Change your name for the day
- ✓ Wear big hair accessories or a hat
- ✓ Wear your pyjamas to school

**Thursday 22nd July**  
**- Pay on the day**

**50p**  
per rule  
you break