# Newsletter

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# This week

### Mrs Wheeler Leaving

Mrs Wheeler, who has worked for a number of years across Key Stage 2, is relocating with her family outside of London and will be leaving Trafalgar at the end of next week. Her support for individuals and work with groups has been invaluable but please rest assured that the important support she provides will continue to be covered by another additional Teaching Assistant. We wish Mrs Wheeler the very best of luck in her new chapter and thank her for all of her hard work.

#### Welcome

Welcome to all our new Reception children and their families who started on Monday. The children have all settled well and have been enjoying their first week at school.

#### **Reception Phonics and Reading Workshop**

There is a Reception Phonics and Reading Workshop on Monday at drop off for Reception parents in the hall at Meadway.

#### Y1 and Y2 Reading Books

Y1 and Y2 will be bringing home their Phonics Reading Book today. This is their practise book. They will have already read it with a grown up at school. Please ensure that your child's reading book and reading diary are in their book bag every day.

#### Meet the Teacher Sessions

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Meet the Teacher Sessions this week. You should also have received the slides via Parentmail. If you have not received them, please let us know.

# <u>School Food Matters - Young Marketeers Summer Sale Schools</u>

We would like to share with you the letter attached from the Felix Project about the money raised from Summer Sales which will enable them to deliver enough food for 1712 meals for people in need across London.

# **Open Mornings**

Open Mornings for prospective parents have been arranged on

Tuesday 26 September at 9.15 am at Meadway Friday 10 November at 9.15 am at Meadway Tuesday 28 November at 9.15 at Meadway

Would you mind sharing these dates with your friends and family within the community. Thank you.

# Golden Games (Y1 & Y2)

For Golden Games the children will need a change of footwear – ideally trainers, as they may get muddy or wet when on the field. Thank you.

#### Y4 & Y5 Author Visit

We are delighted to announce our first author visit of the year! Nadia Shireen, author of the *Grimwood* series, will be visiting Years 4 and 5 next Tuesday afternoon (19 September) for a special talk that will inspire reading and creative writing.

Nadia Shireen is a highly acclaimed author (see Waterstones review here) who has featured as a World Book Day and *Authorfy* author. We are sorry not to be able to offer the event more widely but have been asked to restrict numbers.

There will, however, be a signing event from 2.30 - 3.00 pm and we have a limited number of books here in school to buy. Those who buy books, or already have them in their possession, can meet Nadia and have them signed. As always, we will buy copies for the school library so that everyone can read her books.

The books are available to purchase (on a first come, first served basis) through ParentMail.

# - https://www.waterstones.com/book/grimwood/nadia-shireen/9781471199318



#### Reminders

#### Nuts

Please remember not to send in nuts with your child, either in lunchboxes or club snacks. You will be aware that we have children in school who have nut allergies who are affected by this. Thank you.

#### Dog Fouling

Please do not allow your dog to foul the streets and residents' gardens without picking it up in a bag and disposing of it in a bin. This is an offence and you can receive a fine of up to £1,000. The Community Police are aware this has been issue and will be patrolling regularly.

#### Headlice

There have been a number of cases of headlice recently. Over the weekend, could you check your child's hair, and treat is necessary.

#### Clubs

Karate starts on 19 September for Juniors, and 20 September for Infants.

# **Admissions September 2024**

If you have a child who was born between 1.9.19 and 31.8.20 you need to apply for a place in Reception 2024, even if you already have a child attending the school. Go to <a href="https://www.richmond.gov.uk">www.richmond.gov.uk</a> and click on School Admissions to make your application.

Closing date for applications is 15 January 2024.

Children who are in Y2 need to also apply for a place in the Junior School in September 2024. Go to <a href="https://www.richmond.gov.uk">www.richmond.gov.uk</a> and click on School Admissions to make your application. Closing date for applications is 15 January 2024.

#### Community

#### The Mayor & Leader of Richmond Upon Thames Christmas Card Competition

The Mayor & Leader of the Council are searching for budding artists to design their annual Christmas cards. Winners will have their designs made into real cards and will also be invited to have tea with the Mayor & Leader.

Closing date Friday 10 November 2023. For more details on how to enter please visit the website www.richmond.gov.uk/mayor

#### **Trafalgar Bootcamp**

See attached flyer about Trafalgar Bootcamp at Meadway on Thursday mornings.

# **Girls Only Football**

The girls only football training sessions are back on Saturdays in Bushy Park. See flyer attached.

# Musical Theatre and Pop



# Soundsteps Music School

See attached flyer about Soundsteps Music School and free piano/keyboard taster lessons.

# Mother Science Holiday Camp

See attached flyer for October Half Term Holiday activities.

# Halliford School, Shepperton

Open Morning – Saturday 7 October, 9.00 - 11.30 am
Visitor Mornings – Thursday 9 November, 9.00 - 11.00 am and Tuesday 14 November, 9.00 - 11.00 am
Go to <a href="https://www.hallifordschool.co.uk">www.hallifordschool.co.uk</a> for more information.

# <u>Open Evening at Teddington School</u> – Message from Teddington School

I am writing to invite families at Trafalgar Junior School to our Open Evening on 11 October 2023 between 5.00pm and 8.00pm. During this event, families will have the chance to explore our facilities, learn about extra-curricular activities and be able to engage with members of staff while having their questions answered.

Families can reserve tickets for Open Evening and Open Mornings by visiting our website <u>Teddington School Open Evening.</u>

# **Diary Dates**

FORTHCOMING FEDERATION EVENTS		
Please note these dates may be subject to change.		
DATE	YEAR GROUP	EVENT
Thurs 5 Oct	All	Curriculum Open Evening at 6.00 - 7.30 pm – see attached
23-27 Oct	All	Half term – school closed
Mon 30 Oct	All	Inset day – school closed
Thurs 16 Nov	All	Individual school photographs
Thurs 21 Dec	All	Last day of term
INFANT ONLY DATES		
Mon 18 Sept	Reception	Reception Reading and Phonics meeting for parents at 9.15 am
JUNIOR ONLY DATES		
Tues 19 Sept	Y4 & Y5	Author visit from Nadia Shireen
Fri 22 Sept	Y4	Brass lessons start (Richmond Music Trust)
13-17 May	Y6	SATS
17-19 May	Y5	Residential to Juniper Hall
21-24 June	Y6	Residential to Kingswood