

Trafalgar Newsletter

11th March 2022

Well done to our Year 11s for completing their first week of mock exams; we have seen some great work ethic and attitudes and we know you will continue this through to the second week of tests, the timetable for which can be found inside this bulletin.

Thank you to everyone who attended our virtual Year 9 Options event last night. For anyone unable to attend, all the information can be found on our website. Year 9 RAP meetings will be taking place next week and this will give parents and students a chance to discuss options choices with their child's form tutor.

In this edition of the bulletin you will find information about a phone amnesty we are holding next week, where students can go to our IT rooms during break and lunch to receive expert help and guidance on how to secure their devices and privacy settings. You can also learn how we as a school have been responding to the crisis in Ukraine and some of the things we are doing to support and help. Next week we will be holding a non-uniform day where students and staff can wear blue or yellow clothing and donate a pound or whatever they can afford. More details can be found below.

Take care and stay safe,

Team Trafalgar

Hot Chocolate with the Head

This week's Hot Chocolate with the Head is awarded to our wonderful Student Voice team!

These students spoke to external visitors earlier this week and represented themselves and their peers brilliantly!

Well done Millie, Kyle, Quinn, Scarlett, Archie, Chloe and Tegan!

#ourstudentsarethebest #futureleaders
#teamtrafalgar



Key Dates

2022

Wb 14th March - Year 9 RAP Meetings

Friday 18th March - Inset Day - school closed

Monday 21st March - Inset Day - school closed

Reminder about essential equipment:

Please ask students to check their bags before they come to school and make sure they have all essential equipment with them. Due to Covid restrictions, we are still unable to lend out equipment, so please ensure your child has everything they need before they get to school!



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Ukraine

This week, students have been supported to discuss the current situation in Ukraine through community circles and assemblies.

Students are understandably keen to show their support and are currently thinking of ways we can contribute as a school - we would encourage you to talk about this with your child and remind them to share any suggestions with their form tutor.



Non uniform day - Wednesday 16th March

The DfE have requested schools help raise money for the Ukraine Disasters Emergency Committee and therefore, students and staff are allowed to wear blue or yellow to school on Wednesday 16th March and are being asked to contribute £1, or whatever they can afford, to this cause.

Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable

MOCK EXAMS – 14 March 2022 (Timetable Week 1)

	Lesson 1 (8.50-9.40)	Lesson 2 (9.40-10.30)	Lesson 3 (10.50-11.40)	Lesson 4 (11.40-12.30)	Lesson 5 (13.20-14.10)	Lesson 6 (14.10-15.00)
14 March	Maths Paper 2 90mins (131)		French and Spanish Listening Foundation – 35mins Higher – 45mins (41)		Geography 90mins (51)	
15 March	History – Germany/Elizabeth 60mins x 2 (71)				PE GCSE Paper 2 75mins (12)	
16 March			English Literature 90mins (131)			
17 March			Maths Paper 3 90mins (131)		Food Prep 90mins (55)	
18 March						

Online Safety

To support students to stay safe online, we are holding a mobile phone amnesty on **Monday 14th March and Tuesday 15th March.**

On these days, during break and lunch time, students can get expert help from our IT Team to check their privacy settings and location settings.

If your child would like help ensuring their mobile devices are secure, please encourage them to come along to the Computing Department!



Community Circles Update

This week our tutor community circles were answering the following check in question:

“Would you have your sense of humour removed for a million pounds?”



Students were very engaged and surprisingly philosophical about it. Some said it would depend on their age, whilst others said they'd rather have less money than be boring!

How do you think your child answered? Ask them, get involved and let's keep the conversation going. #joinin

Maths Department Update

In Maths our Year 7s have been making 3D shapes from nets.

The net of a 3D shape is what it looks like if it is opened out flat. A net can be folded up to make a 3D shape.

There may be several possible nets for one 3D shape.

You can draw a net on paper, then fold it into the shape. Why not have a go at home?

#maths #3Dshapes #nets



Parents/Carers - We Need You!

At Trafalgar School, we value your input and would be grateful for your feedback as we begin to plan our priorities for the next academic year.

Many thanks in advance #teamtrafalgar

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Art Department Update

Year 10 Fine Art students have been learning about portraiture and developing their own expressive portraits.

They have all begun by taking photos of each other, using our photographic studio and lighting, then creating accurate, realistic portrait drawings.

They are now developing these by looking at artists such as Jenny Saville and Francoise Nielly to help develop their own expressive styles in ink, paint and oil pastels.



Year 11 Photography students have been showing some outstanding experimentation and creativity in the development of their portfolios.

Inspired by a variety of artists and styles, they have begun creating their own styles of work using our ring lighting, graphics tablets and creative cloud software to push boundaries within their work.



Safety Card: Reddit



Reddit is an entertainment, social networking, and news platform where registered community members can submit content, such as text posts or direct links, making it essentially an online bulletin board. You can download it as an App on to your phone or visit the website online. The idea of Reddit is that the best content, or most popular will make it to the front page of the platform.



Stay safe on Reddit using the instructions on **Reporting**, **Blocking** and **Privacy** below.


Report

Report a post using these simple instructions:

- On the post you want to report, tap on ●●●
- Tap on **Report**.
- Select a reason for your report and follow the instructions.
- The user has now been reported.


Block

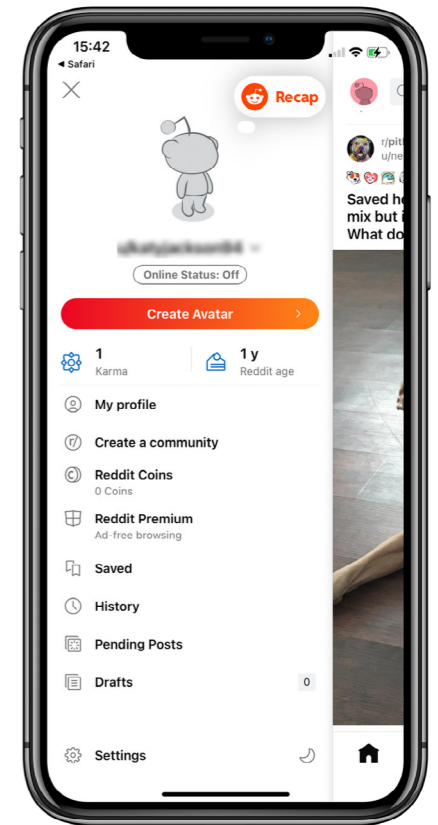
Block a user using these simple instructions:

- On the users profile tap on  in the top right corner.
- Tap on **Block User**.
- Tap on **Block**.
- The user is now blocked.

Privacy

Configure your privacy settings:

- On your home screen tap on  in the top right hand side.
- Scroll down and tap on Settings and then your username at the top.
- Scroll down to Blocking and Permissions.
- Here you can configure your chat requests, who follows you and direct message requests



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