24th September 2021

We're half way there and we couldn't be more proud of our students and how well they have settled into the new year.

This week we have introduced the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award Programme to our Year 9s. Year 10s will also have an assembly on this next week, all of whom are welcome to sign up.

We will have our first netball fixture in over two years next Monday, too; lots of luck to our team!

Now is a great time to make sure all our routines are in place; so please carry on encouraging your children to bring a reading book every day, be in full uniform and engage themselves fully in their lessons.

Our Open Evening for prospective Year 6 students will take place on 30th September, 4-7pm. All students will be dismissed at 2.10pm on the day and letters have been sent home with full details of this event, to those who are keen to help out! Let's be sure to use this event as an opportunity to show everyone what Team Trafalgar is about and why this is a great community to be a part of!

Team Trafalgar

Hot Chocolate with the Head

This week's 'Hot Chocolate with the Head' goes to Poppy!

Poppy has settled in well to life at Trafalgar. She is currently the highest point scorer in Temeraire House.

Poppy has demonstrated a willingness to work exceedingly hard, and has already become a valued member of the school community.

We look forward to seeing this continue throughout her Trafalgar journey.

Well done Poppy!



Key D	ates
30th 30th	September 2021 Open Evening All students early finish - 2:10pm
5th 7th	October 2021 PD Day 1 Year 7 Tutor Evening





Open Evening 2021

We are so excited to invite parents and children from our local primary schools in Year 6 to Trafalgar School for the first time in two years!

Our Open Day will be a brilliant opportunity for students to help out, of which some will have already been specially selected by departments.



London Road, Hilsea, Portsmouth PO2 9R

Alternatively, visit our virtual Open Evening here:

trafalgarschool.org.uk

LIVE from 4pm, 30th September 2021



Maths Department Update

This year as part of our drive to improve pupils' mathematics, and more importantly their attitudes towards maths, we are setting a series of puzzles for tutor groups to complete.

Each half term 5 puzzles will be set to complete, ideally one a week.

The puzzles are much more focused on problem solving skills than higher ability maths making them accessible to all in the tutor group.

Some of the puzzles can be worked on as a whole group on the board, some are better for individuals/pairs to complete - answers handed in to Ms Hodge at the end of each half term will be awarded house points.

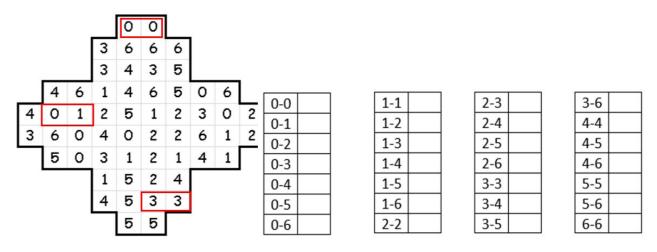
The aim of these problems is to improve pupils' attitudes towards maths so please be positive – whilst it's ok to say you find maths challenging, please don't say you can't do it!

Here is this week's puzzle for you to try at home:

Puzzle of the Week #2

Below is a grid onto which a set of dominoes have been placed. Your task is to draw lines on to show where each domino is. Some have been completed for you already. Remember:

- → You cannot have the same domino twice
- → Do not draw the lines around one unless you are sure there is only one place for it to be!



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