

Trafalgar Newsletter

14th October 2022

Welcome to the latest edition of our Parent Bulletin!

Last night we held our Open Evening for prospective Year 6 students. It was a fantastic evening with lots of fun and interactive areas set up by departments and the turn out was so spectacular that the evening didn't finish until nearer 8:30pm! A massive thank you to all our students who came back and helped with the evening, you represented yourselves and the Trafalgar community brilliantly. You should be very proud of yourselves because we definitely are!

Inside this edition we have a Black History Month quiz, created by one of our student leadership team. This is a great interactive way to learn about this important awareness month so well done to Elsie for putting this together for students to do in tutor time. Why not have a go at home and we will publish the answers in next week's parent bulletin!

Don't forget that choices forms for Activities Week are due back next Friday! Please ensure your child's name is on the form and that 3 choices are selected for each day. Then sign the form and get it back to your child's tutor! Any questions please don't hesitate to contact activitiesweek@trafalgarschool.org.uk.

Take care and stay safe,

Team Trafalgar

Hot Chocolate with the Head

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

Last month Casey competed in the Commonwealth Karate Championships, representing the UK. He fought hard and came 9th place which is a great result for his first international competition!

Most recently Casey competed in the Elite International Championships, where he fought his heart out and came home with two Bronze medals and one Silver medal!

Well done Casey!



Key Dates

2022

Monday 17th Oct - WEX Virtual Information Evening 5:30pm

Monday 24th - Friday 28th Oct - Half Term

Monday 7th - Friday 11th Nov - Year 8 RAP Meetings

A quick reminder - if you have not yet signed up to our parent portal, Class Charts, please do so immediately as this will be our only method of communication this year. To get your personalised log in details please email studentservices@trafalgarschool.org.uk.



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Awareness Month - Black History Month Quiz

Elsie from our Student Leadership Team has put together a short quiz on Black History Month that students have been doing in tutor time. Have a go at home and see how many you can get right! We'll publish the answers in next week's edition of the bulletin!



1) When did the celebration of Black History month begin?

- A. 1970
- B. 1926
- C. 2003

2) Which US President first officially recognised Black History Month?

- A. Barack Obama
- B. Jimmy Carter
- C. Gerald Ford

3) When did racial discrimination become illegal in the United Kingdom?

- A. 1932
- B. 1965
- C. 1954

4) What is the first name of this famous tennis player (pictured right)?

- A. Sarah
- B. Stacey
- C. Serena



5) Who was the first African American to refuse to give up their seat on a bus?

- A. Rosa Parks
- B. Claudette Colvin
- C. Louise McCauley

6) How long did the Montgomery bus boycott last?

- A. 13 months
- B. 2 years
- C. 4 days

7) Who presented the "I had a dream" speech?

- A. Malcolm X
- B. Martin Luther King JR
- C. Frederick Douglass

8) Who was the first African American to play professional basketball?

- A. LeBron James
- B. Michael Jordan
- C. Moses Fleetwood Walker

9) Who was the famous Black nurse who died in London after saving many British soldiers during the Crimean War?

- A. Mary Seacole
- B. Harriet Tubman
- C. Mary Elizabeth Mahoney

10) What was the name of law that enforced segregation in the US?

- A. Segregation law
- B. Discrimination law
- C. Jim Crow law



Year 7 Parent Survey

Our Year 7 Parent Survey is still open! It will close next Friday, so make sure to get your responses in and have your voices heard. [Click here to complete the survey.](#)

Activities Week 2023



Our Activities Week Brochure is on our website! Time to make your choices!

A reminder that the completed forms are due back by **21st October!** Make sure that students have selected 3 choices for each day and that their names are on the forms along with parental signature.

Completed forms should be handed to tutors!

For more details view our [website](#).

GUIDE TO POPULAR PLATFORMS

AN ONLINE SAFETY SHAREABLE

Messenger

An instant messaging app developed by Meta, popular for group chats, sharing images and videos. This app is also popular for playing games with friends. Can allow young people to connect with strangers, receive message requests from strangers and video call.

16+

Yubo

A live-streaming platform designed to help users "meet new people" from all around the world. There have been multiple reports of young people being harassed into sending sexualised or nude images and videos.

17+

WhatsApp

A popular messaging platform which allows group chats, video and audio calls. WhatsApp users have been subject to scams and malware spreading through the platform.

16+

Reddit

A platform which allows interactions through communities and discussion forums based on particular interests. There are no age verification systems for NSFW channels and can be easily bypassed to view inappropriate content. (NSFW forums are 18+)

13+

Kik

A mobile messaging app which allows one-to-one chatting, group chats and anonymous chats. Since Kik allows chatting with random strangers, it leaves children open to exploitation and grooming. Once messages are deleted, they cannot be retrieved.

16+

Telegram

A cross-platform messaging app which allows communication between individuals, small and large groups of up to 200,000 people. The ability to connect with others in the area may lead to young people to disclose locations and personal details that could lead to grooming or harassment in-person.

16+

Discord

An instant messaging social platform, in which people enter 'servers' so they are part of a group - commonly used for gaming communities. Some servers are NSFW (Not safe for work - often meaning inappropriate/adult content) and may have content age-inappropriate for younger users.

13+

Snapchat

A popular image sharing and messaging app that lets users exchange pictures and videos (snaps), with photo effects and filters, which disappear after a period of time. The 'disappearing snap' feature of Snapchat can lure young people into a false sense of security, and they may send images they would not normally send.

13+

Instagram

An image and video sharing app. Users can share content that followers can interact with by viewing, liking and commenting. Instagram may push a narrative of a 'perfect world' to young people, and they may feel pressured to post perfect, polished images of themselves.

13+

YouTube

A popular video sharing and social media platform. Videos can be commented on, liked and shared. Cyberbullying can occur through YouTube comments and age-inappropriate content may slip through moderation strategies deployed.

18+

TikTok

A free video sharing app which allows users to capture short video clips, share them and watch other user's videos or live streams. Age-inappropriate content which can be accessed through public feeds, especially any live streams. This may be unsuitable for young people and can be the origin of bullying trends.

13+

BeReal

A once-a-day photo sharing app - Users are given a 2-minute window to share a photo of themselves and their surroundings to their friends. If young people accept contacts they don't know, it is easy to build up a picture of routines in daily life, for example, school uniforms, bus stops and regular locations.

13+

Twitch

Twitch is a live streaming video platform which allows creators to broadcast and users to watch content, usually about games, including eSports. Twitch streams are often live and are therefore difficult to moderate.

13+

NETFLIX NOW Disney+

Streaming services which often involve paid subscriptions which offers a variety of TV shows, movies, gaming streams and more. Netflix shows such as 'Squid Game' and '13 Reasons Why' went viral and attracted the attention of young people, despite not being appropriate for under 18s. Parental controls which restrict access to age-inappropriate content e.g. profile PIN codes.

13+
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18+

Vault Apps (Decoys)

Apps which allow users to secretly hide photos, videos and files behind the premise of another app, for example a calculator which can only be accessed through a numeric pin code. Can become dangerous 'stash' of youth produced sexual imagery.

17+