



Newsletter

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Summer Term - 17 April 2026

QUESTION OF THE WEEK – Talk Topic (Voice 21)

**Is it always important to tell the truth?
Are there any exceptions? Why?**



COUNTDOWN - Earth Day at Meadway (3.00 - 6.00 pm) Friday 24 April

Competitions

Please see poster in the community section.

We are excited to announce that it's that time of year again with two popular English competitions coming up, so get reading and writing!

The Wimbledon Book Fest Young Writers Competition has a deadline of **Tuesday 5 May** for entries to be emailed to their class teacher. See the attached PDF for details and inspiration.

The SPARK book awards, where children are book critics and vote for their most popular book. Voting begins on 1 June.

As always, we can't wait to see/hear your children's brilliant ideas.

Y4 Children's Fundraiser

We are doing a fundraising event for these charities – Dementia Uk, Parkinson's Uk, David Adams Leukaemia Appeal Fund. The event takes place on **Friday 8th May** outside the school gates on **Elmsleigh Rd**. We will be selling lots of things like cakes, drinks, jewellery, toys, books and games. (See our colourful posters around the school.)

Please support our charities by bringing **cash only**.

Thank you from.

Clara, Annabelle, Sophie K, Zuzu, Lilly and Isla. (Y4)



Safeguarding: Keeping Our Children Safe Online Important Reminders for Parents

As technology continues to evolve, it's more important than ever to help our children stay safe online. Here are some key reminders and practical steps you can take:

Essential Online Safety Tips

Talk regularly with your child about their online activities

- Ask them what apps, games and websites they're using
- Keep conversations open and non-judgmental so they feel comfortable coming to you with concerns
- Make it clear they won't be in trouble for telling you about something that's worried them online

Set up parental controls and privacy settings

- Use age-appropriate filtering on devices and home internet
- Review privacy settings together on apps and social media platforms
- Set time limits for screen use where appropriate

Know the warning signs

- Changes in behaviour after using devices
- Being secretive about online activities
- Receiving messages or friend requests from people you don't know

- Unexpected gifts or money

The Growing Use of AI and Image Generation

We want to make you aware of a growing trend: younger children are increasingly using artificial intelligence (AI) tools, particularly those that generate images.

These AI tools can:

- Create realistic-looking photos of people who don't exist
- Manipulate or alter existing images
- Generate inappropriate content

What you should discuss with your child:

- Not everything they see online is real – AI can create very convincing fake images
- Never share personal photos that could be manipulated by others
- Understand that creating or sharing inappropriate AI-generated images can have serious consequences
- Report anything that makes them uncomfortable

Useful Resources for Parents

The NSPCC's online safety guides include resources for parents and carers, Internet Matters has practical tips and 'advice hubs' on key internet safety issues, and Childnet has resources including advice for parents and carers for talking to their child about online safety.

Travelling to School

At Trafalgar Infant School, we encourage active travel to school through walking, scooting or cycling. Please ensure anyone travelling by bike wears a cycle helmet.

For families who need to drive, we ask that you please be mindful of parking restrictions and respectful of our neighbours, who share their community space with us each day. Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

School Uniform

Please ensure that your child comes to school in the correct uniform. This also includes shoes and appropriate hairstyles and no jewellery. Further information on school uniform can be seen on our website.

<https://trafalgarfederation.org.uk/Parents/Uniform/>

DATES

FORTHCOMING FEDERATION EVENTS

Please note these dates may be subject to change

DATE	YEAR GROUP	EVENT	
Fri 24 April	All	EARTH DAY at Meadway (3.00 - 6.00 pm)	
Fri 1 May	All	Class Reps meeting	
Fri 8 May	All	Y4 children's Fundraiser	
Fri 22 May	All	Staff training day – school closed to children	
25 – 29 May	All	Half term	
Fri 12 June	All	Non-uniform day – jars for the summer fair	
Fri 19 June	All	Class Reps meeting	
Fri 26 June	All	Non-uniform day – bottles for the summer fair	
Sun 28 June	All	Summer Fair	
EYFS and KS1 DATES			
Week beg' 8 June	Y1	Phonics Screening Check	
Thurs 11 June	Y2	Visit to The Stockyard as part of the curriculum	
Thurs 15 June	Rec & KS1	School Photographer in	
Thurs 18 June	Y1	Visit to London Zoo as part of the curriculum	
Mon 29 June	Rec	Reception classes assembly TBC	
Wed 1 July	Y2 Scarlet	Class assembly TBC	
Thurs 2 July	Y1	Class assembly TBC	
Friday 3 July	Y2 Orange	Class assembly TBC	
KS2 DATES			
20 April -1 May	Y6	Cycle Training	
11 – 14 May	Y6	SATs week	
Fri 15 May – Sun 17 May	Y5	Residential to Juniper Hall 18 May - Juniper Hall - Rest Day (Y5 Not at school)	
Wed 20 May	Choir	Rose Theatre Singing Festival	
Week beg' 1 June	Y4	Multiplication Check	
Thurs 18 June	KS2	School Photographer in	
Fri 19 June Mon 22	Y6	Residential to Kingswood trip Tuesday 23 Kingswood Rest Day (Y6 Not at school)	
Tues 7, Wed 8 July	Y6	Y6 production	
Wed 8 July	Y4	Wetlands TBC	

COMMUNITY

Announcing Two Earth Day Competitions



Competition 1

- Are you a budding inventor?
- Can you invent something to help the world?

Calling all budding inventors, scientists and engineers! There are so many amazing technologies we use to help the environment, like solar power, recycling centres, electric cars, and moss walls. But there's always more we can do.

We need your help to keep our planet happy, and life sustainable. And everyone knows that kids are the most creative people in the world.

So, can you invent something this Earth Day that could be the next big thing in the fight to protect life on our planet?

Just like one of our inspirational books: *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind*.

To enter all you need to do is think of an environmental issue, and invent something that could possibly help. You can submit a design or make a prototype of their invention (Do not worry we are not expecting functional machines) with a description of what it is, does, and how it would help the planet. Our Earth Day event would be the deadline and we have a prize for the best idea. Open to all children. Please give all entries to the office or Miss Dowling.

Competition 2

Our Art competition

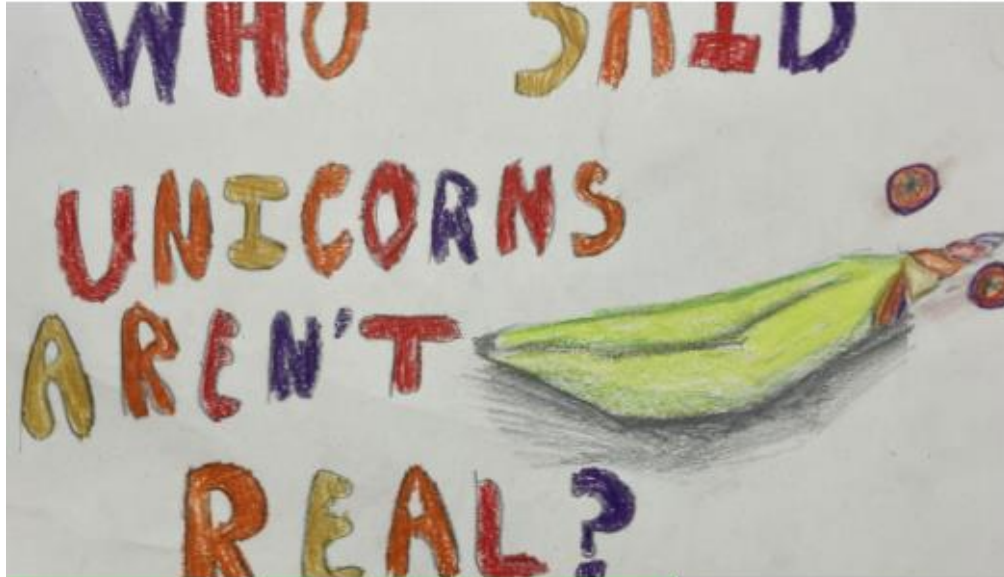
Your task is to create a piece of art in any form (painting, sculpture etc.) about Planet Earth. Be as creative as you want. The closing date is Earth Day. All entries to Miss Dowling.

All Entries for the competitions will be judged at the Earth Day event.

Any questions please feel free to ask the class teacher or Miss Dowling

The Baking competition will be announced after the Easter Holidays.

DRAWING MATTERS



'Drawing Matters' is run by experienced practicing artists, Stuart Simler and Tahira Mandarino, who bring with them a broad range of skills from Fine Art and Ceramic backgrounds at BA, MFA (Hons)

This course is for all pupils who have an interest in Art and especially drawing, which is an important part of childrens creative development. We encourage freedom of expression alongside learning new techniques and skills.

Dates & Times:

21st April - 30th June Tuesdays 3.30 - 4.30pm

Year Groups: 4, 5 & 6

Cost: £115 - 10 weeks (all materials included)

(no class: 26th May) 2026



Trafalgar



RGA
www.rawgroundarts.com
LONDON

How to apply:

If you would like to book a place for your child on these classes please email: Tahira: tahiramandarino@icloud.com

Payment terms BACS: Company name: Raw Ground Arts Limited

Sort: 40-26-12 Account: 32189860

Cheques made payable to: Raw Ground Arts Limited and sent to:
56 Cedar Avenue | Twickenham | TW2 7HE

We look forward to welcoming your young artist onto the course.

Stuart & Tahira

*For terms and conditions please visit: <https://www.rawgroundarts.com/drawing-matters>



Applications are now open to join the Royal Ballet and Opera's Youth Opera Programmes.

We are inviting young singers aged 8–11 (on 1 September 2026), living in and around London, to apply to join our **Young Voices** programme and **Youth Opera Company** this September. Applications close at **midnight on Sunday 10 May.**

Both programmes are **free** and offer an exciting opportunity for young people to develop their singing, performance skills, and confidence.



Find out more and apply here: [RBO Youth Opera Programmes](#)



Useful advice for families:

www.allabout-family.co.uk/national-magazine/



BOUNDLESS ADULT DANCE FITNESS CLASSES

WHEN: Every Wednesday

WHERE: Archdeacon Cambridge's C of E Pri Sch,
Twickenham Green. TW2-5TS.

TIME: 7.30pm-8.30pm

PRICE: From as little as £5.60 per class!

GENRE: A different style of dance every week!
Please visit the website for details.

SUMMER OFFER

Please quote SU26

Sign up to the whole term with a friend, and you'll each receive a 25% discount! That makes each class just £5.60!



We have been running our Adult Dance Fitness Classes for over 9 years, and we pride ourselves on delivering very friendly and personable classes to all abilities. It doesn't matter if you have danced before, we cater for beginners through to advanced dancers. The class is taught by the fabulously fun Boundless Practitioners!

Our fun and dynamic multi-genre Adult Dance Fitness Classes are delivered in a relaxed setting, where moving and shaking makes fitness fun!

TO SIGN UP: Please visit www.boundlessarts.co.uk, and click on the 'Adult Dance Fitness' page where you will find more details on the class, and what genres are delivered.

'BE CREATIVE, BE BOLD, BE YOU'

WHETHER YOU HAVE DANCED BEFORE OR NOT, IT REALLY DOESN'T MATTER. PLEASE POP YOUR TRAINERS ON AND COME AND JOIN THE FUN! A DIFFERENT GENRE IS DELIVERED EACH WEEK; PLEASE VISIT THE WEBSITE BELOW FOR MORE DETAILS.

TO SEE A FULL LISTING OF CLASSES & THE WORKSHOPS WE DELIVER PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE.

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Are you the parent/ carer of a bullied child?



Coping with Bullying:
Parental Experiences
(COPE)

The COPE project focuses on the experiences of parents when their child is being bullied.

We're looking for parents/ carers to participate in our study

- If you are a parent/ carer of a child who is currently being bullied in school, please consider participating in our survey.
- The survey explores your child's experiences of bullying, your experiences of working with schools to address the bullying, and the impact of the bullying on your well-being.
- The survey is anonymous and should take no more than 15 minutes to complete.



Participate
here:



More information :

<https://bullyingthoughtsfeelings.com/the-cope-project/>





SOUNDSTEPS
MUSIC SCHOOL



Free Children Piano/Keyboard Taster Available Now

- Weekly 1 hour lessons available Monday to Sunday for children aged 5-13
- Children learn to read, write and play music in every lesson. we also provide keyboard at every lesson
- Termly Exams and certificate along with opportunities to sit at internationally recognised exams and perform at live events



Contacts us Now by Email, Phone, Whats App or
via our Website/QR Code to Book Your "FREE
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