



***Ecole Trafalgar Elementary School***  
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**Newsletter #19**

**Friday, June 2, 2017**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Wow! Trafalgar sure has talent! Congratulations to the 18 Intermediate students who presented at our Talent Show today, in front of the entire student body. Not an easy task. Thank you to M. Chiasson for organizing the Talent Show. His time with auditions, rehearsals and organizing the assembly is greatly appreciated. They all did an amazing job and we are so proud of them. Bravo to Ella (cello), Lilah (piano), Oliver (piano), Ethan (guitar/singing), Gina (zither), Lauren (tap dance), Danica (piano), Brendon (piano), Emerson (tap dance), Anthony (piano), Juliette & Andaya (unicycle), Tricia (violin), Bella (dance), Catherine (piano), Daniel (erhu), Rebecca (singing), Jacky (rap song) and Artemis guitar/singing).

And, in the afternoon, another 40 students performed in the play "Singing In the Rain" with the Lights Up after school program. They will be presenting again this evening to parents and family members. Great job!! We are so proud of all the hard work that went into preparing for these events.

Hard to believe that June is already upon us! Thank you for your ongoing support, as we race to the finish line. Stay tuned for upcoming year end events and information.

Sincerely,

Mme Lavoie  
Principal

## **Bike to School Week**

Bravo Trafalgar for your outstanding participation during our Bike to School week this week! It was wonderful to see so many bikes on our school grounds this week. We hope families will continue riding their bikes to and from school. We know this initiative and successful event would not have been possible without the work of many parents. A big thank you to Janice Johnson for championing this event, and to the other parent volunteers Emma, Jessica, Emily, Amy, Selina, Gina, Chloe, Maggie, Jessica. Students were also instrumental so thank you to Jilly Gaherty, Gabby and Alice Barton, Hunter and Tanner Scarlett, Max and Isabel Archibald and Nicola Henderson.

## **Track and Field**

The Trafalgar track and field team has finished their season with a great showing at the final meet at Point Grey Secondary. Hundreds of students from all over Vancouver competed in long jump, high jump, shot put, relay races and sprints and Trafalgar athletes rocked! Thanks to Ms. Cai, Mr. Kabele, Mme. Ashley, Mme. Grainger, Ms. Macfadden, Mme. Louise, Mme. Laure, Mr. Chiasson and Mr. Rupert for coaching this year.



## **Year End Canada Party**

Wednesday, June 28th from 4-6pm, Trafalgar's PAC will host a year end party to celebrate Canada's 150th birthday! Food trucks, live music, entertainment, and a school wide scavenger hunt with all things Canadian will take place. An event for all students and parents alike! Join Us!



## Students Not Returning

If you are not returning to Trafalgar Elementary, please let the office know as soon as possible. Call 604.713.5475 or email [studentrecordstrafalgar@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:studentrecordstrafalgar@vsb.bc.ca). Please include your students name, grade, division and what school they will be attending next year.

**Green In Action!**

- Pick a pack of free seeds. Leave your contact info.
- Plant seeds in your yard or in a recycleable container.
- Email a picture of your planting, a sprout or blossom to [oddgreentothecity@gmail.com](mailto:oddgreentothecity@gmail.com)
- Receive a lovely prize just for you!

Illustrations include: a green sprout, a 'free' sticker, a notepad, a purple rainboot labeled 'old rainboots', a milk carton labeled 'milk carton', a butterfly, a small plant, a flower, a 'Thank' card, a gift box, and a 'Way to Go!' sign.

All of this action will be taking place in the undercove area today afterschool. Add greens to the

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The City of Vancouver & Districts Office

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Congratulations to Emily of Div. 9 and Jessica of Div. 6 for their initiative in organizing this! Great Job! We are very proud of you!

## Lost and Found


Please have a look through the ever-growing pile of Lost and Found items (located in the front hall) next time you are in the building. All unclaimed items will be sent to a local charity on June 30<sup>th</sup>.

## Class Placement Input

During the month of June, staff will be working on our organization and class placements for next year. Please note that once again, we will not be distributing a class placement form for families to complete, as this form is not a requirement of the VSB. Teachers will be meeting to create class lists. Should you have any critical information that needs to be shared about your child and their placement, please contact Mme Lavoie at [jlavoie@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:jlavoie@vsb.bc.ca). **Please note that if your email contains a request or comment on a specific teacher, we will not be able to accommodate your request.** We ask for parents to respect teachers' professional judgment when placing your child in the next grade.



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### Immunization Clinics Summer 2017

Pacific Spirit Community Health  
Centre

School age immunization clinics will be held  
**Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings and  
Monday afternoons**  
July 4 to August 28, 2017

Call **604-261-6366** to make an appointment

Pacific Spirit Community Health Centre|  
2110 West 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue  
Vancouver, BC  
604-261-6366

Not sure if your child is up-to-date?  
Check the B.C. Immunization Schedule on  
[immunizebc.ca](http://immunizebc.ca) or [healthlinkbc.ca](http://healthlinkbc.ca)  
Immunizations are also available from some family doctors and  
pharmacies.

*If you go to your family doctor or pharmacy for the  
immunizations, please give your school a record of those  
shots.*

## Group Photos

Group photos are posted on the bulletin board across from the staff room. If you would like to order any group photos the deadline is Monday, June 5. Please hand in your envelope to the office.

## School Fees

At this time of year, we are required to inform you about any possible fees for the upcoming school year. Attached you will find a letter in this regard. Please note that we are NOT requesting funds at this time. It is for information purposes only.

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### SCHOOL FEES for (2017-2018)

Important Information – Please Translate

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Важная информация! Переведите, пожалуйста

## GENERAL \$25.00 SUPPLY FEE



The Vancouver School Board offers the service of purchasing basic school supplies in bulk at wholesale prices and passing the cost savings on to families. The School Supply Fee for 2017 – 2018 is \$25.00 per student.

This fee covers basic consumable school supplies used for students' personal use such as paper, writing tools, glue sticks, erasers, exercise books and art supplies. Supplies are provided for the full year.

\*\* The 2017/2018 school year is the final year that school supplies will be purchased for a set fee by the school district. Starting in September 2018, parents will need to purchase items on their own, or arrange directly with a supplier to purchase supplies in a 'bulk' format. More information will be available to parents about this change.

## SUPPLEMENTARY FEES

### Student Agenda/Planner – \$10.00

Students at Trafalgar Elementary will be using an Agenda/Planner in grades 1-7. School agendas/planners are a valuable tool for teaching children how to organize and plan for school. While students are not required to have an agenda/planner it is designed to assist students with the skills of organization and time management and is a very useful communication tool often used between teachers and families.

### Field Studies – To be determined throughout the school year at the classroom level

Throughout the school year your child's teacher may plan supplementary learning opportunities at locations outside of the school and request monies towards entrance fees, transportation or equipment rental. Your child's teacher will communicate this information to you directly.

### FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

As a reminder, the Vancouver School Board will not deny a child access to the school supplies required for his or her educational program because of financial hardship. Nor will any child be excluded from activities where a fee is charged. If at any time there is a financial challenge, please contact the school Principal, (insert name). All requests will be treated confidentially.



## Sea Smart Summer Camp



Find out more at  
[SEASMARTSCHOOL.COM](http://SEASMARTSCHOOL.COM)

# Ocean SUMMER CAMP AT THE BEACH

JULY 17-21 | JULY 31-AUG 4 | AUG 14-18, 2017

Love the beach?  
Then you'll love exploring our oceans with fun games and activities in Sea Smart's outdoor summer camps at Acadia Beach!



Camps are filling up fast!  
Don't miss out on giving your kids this amazing opportunity to learn about our oceans from a real marine biologist!



Sea Smart

We have fun after school programs too!  
Check out [seasmartschool.com](http://seasmartschool.com)



As part of the Child and Youth Mental Health and Substance Use (CYMHSU) Collaborative

Join us for a special screening of

# SCREEN AGERS

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**For Ages 10 and up**

**GROWING UP IN THE DIGITAL AGE**

HOST: Vancouver Local Action Team (LAT)  
 WHEN: June 11th, 2017  
 FILM and DISCUSSION: 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm  
 LOCATION: David Thompson Secondary School  
 1755 East 55th Avenue, Vancouver

[screenagersmovie.com](http://screenagersmovie.com)

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**Sneak Peak of Fall After School Courses@Trafalgar starting September 2017**

Prior to signing up your child to after school courses off-site, please have a sneak peak at the after school courses slated to take place at Trafalgar in the fall.

**Mondays**

**Daedalus Lego Robotics; Gr 1 -7; Mondays 3:15-4:45; starting @ third week September**

Using Lego WeDo (Gr 1-3) or Mindstorms (Gr 4-7), students learn to create, build program and operate robotic animals

Registration mid-June at [info@daedalosacademy.com](mailto:info@daedalosacademy.com) 604-345-8603

### **Tuesdays**

#### **Sea Smart Gr 1-4; Tuesdays 3:15-4:45; October 3, 2017 to November 21, 2017**

Explore the world of oceans with a marine biologist in a hands-on program that develops critical thinking and collaboration

Registration OPEN at [www.seasmartschool.com](http://www.seasmartschool.com)

#### **Senior Choir Gr 4-7; Tuesdays 3:05-4:15 starting @ September 26**

Registration forms available in September

### **Wednesdays**

#### **NEW! Dolphin Kids Achievement Program Gr 2-5; Wednesdays 3:15-4:15**

Applying the latest neuro-scientific methods, Dr. Shimi Kang, Trafalgar parent and author of Dolphin Kids, has developed the I CAN DO IT program for children. Led by a masters level instructor, children will have fun, bond and learn useful coping skills through play, social connection and downtime.

Registration details later. There may also be a noon hour course for Gr 5-7.

### **Thursdays**

#### **Junior Choir Gr 1-7; Thursdays 3:05-4:15 starting @ September 28**

Registration forms available in September

#### **New and in the works! Young Entrepreneurs; Thursdays 3:15-4:15 starting @ September 28**

**(15 weeks)** An after-school entrepreneur program for kids. Kid-preneurs, ages 7-9 and ages 10-12, learn vital business skills while starting their micro-businesses in a fun and experiential way

Registration soon at [www.yelearninglabs.com](http://www.yelearninglabs.com)

#### **Young Rembrandts Drawing Gr 1-6; Thursdays 3:05-4:15 starting September 28**

Registration soon at [www.youngrembrandts.com/metrovancouver](http://www.youngrembrandts.com/metrovancouver)

### **Fridays**

#### **LightsUp Gr 1-7; Fridays 3:15-5:15**

Students learn to sing, dance and act while working towards a costumed performance for friends and family

Registration soon at [lightsuptheatre.ca/Trafalgar](http://lightsuptheatre.ca/Trafalgar).

For more information or to register contact Hilary @ 604 815 1689

#### **Xmodus Minecraft; Fridays 3:15-4:15; starting @ Sept 29 (6 sessions) Ages 8-12**

Using the Minecraft video game, kids work together in teams to solve puzzles & complete adventures

Registration soon at <http://www.xmodus.com/programs.html#minecraft-adventures>



**Xmodus Python Programming; Fridays 4:15-4:515; starting @ Sept 29 (6 sessions) Ages 8-12**

Learn new drawing techniques while having fun. Returning students will build on the skills learned previously.

Registration soon at <http://www.xmodus.com/programs.html#minecraft-adventures>

**TBA**

**Tomorrow's Playground Lego Animation** will also likely be offering a course in the Sensory Room at a time TBA

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- **Tuesday, June 13- PAC Meeting- 7:00 pm library**
- **Wednesday, June 28- Year End Canada Party- 4:00-6:00 pm**
- **Thursday, June 29- Last day of school- Year End Slide Show and goodbye assembly- Time TBA. Dismissal 3:00 pm**

# **Canada 2017**



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