

Another busy week:

Teachers and children are continuing to enjoy getting to know each other and routines are being established. We value pupil voice at the Federation and we are proud of our democratic culture. The school council plays a significant part in our democracy and the children have been voting for their school council representatives. The competition has been stiff as there has been so many enthusiastic and worthy candidates. We would like to congratulate all those children who put themselves forward.

Year 6 WW2 Themed Day:

We had our WW2 day today. First, we made identity cards and practised hiding under the table whilst the air-raid siren sounded. Then, we used cereal boxes to make boxes that people used in WW2 to hold gas masks. After that, we created board games that children would have played whilst they were in air-raid shelters. Last of all, we painted the war-time medals that we had created using clay. [by George Griffin]



Meet the Teacher:

Meet the Teacher sessions will take place online; this gives families the chance to meet their child's/children's new teacher and for teachers to share essential information. Links for the meeting will be sent out nearer the time. The slides will also be posted onto Google Classroom for people who are unable to attend. There are ample opportunities throughout the school year for families to engage with teachers e.g. open classrooms, parent consultations etc. Communication is key; should you ever wish to speak to a teacher or member of the SLT then please do approach them on the playground or make an appointment through the office.

Online sessions for Meet the Teacher – we will be using the meeting link on Google Classrooms. You will receive the link for your meeting in an email.

Date	Year group
Monday 18 th , 9:30am	Year 4
Tuesday 19 th , 9:30am	Year 2
Tuesday 19 th , 2:00pm	Year 1
Wednesday 20 th , 9am	Year 3
Wednesday 20 th , 2:00pm	Year 5
Thursday 21 st , 2:00pm	Year 6

Dates and Events

Term Dates:

These can be found on our website using the link:
<https://www.trumpingtonfederation.co.uk/page/?title=Term+Dates&pid=133>

Meet the Teacher: Week beginning 18th September

See timetable opposite.

Welcome Event: Friday 29th September Time 4 - 6pm

This event will be held after school at Trumpington Meadows and is an opportunity for the community to connect.

Year 6 Bikeability 2nd - 5th October

Book Fair 2nd - 6th October

Year 5 Bikeability 9th - 12th October

Year 6 Trip to Duxford Friday 20th October

Half term 23rd - 27th October

Back to school Monday 30th October

Sewing Club:

Sewing club will be running again this term and Miss Sanchez would be very grateful if anybody was able to donate a sewing machine or make a small financial contribution so that more sewing machines could be purchased. As you can see from the pictures below, the children are given the opportunity to make some wonderful creations! If you are able to help in any way, then please contact the office.



School Uniform:

We believe that it is important for children to come to school dressed in the appropriate school uniform as it represents the community to which we belong and promotes a sense of unity. Our uniform policy and expectations can be found on the school website:

<https://www.trumpingtonfederation.co.uk/page/?title=School+Uniform&pid=153>

Letters will be sent out to families as a reminder if children are frequently coming to school not wearing the correct uniform.

To help with the expense of purchasing the necessary items, we have 'Free Uniform Friday'. Every Friday, there is a range of items available in varying sizes. This rail of items can be found by the main school gates at the end of the day. Please do help yourself to any items that may be of use. Clothing on this rail is free.

Secondary School Application:

If your child is in Year 6, the deadline for secondary school applications is Tuesday 31st October. **This is something that must be completed by families. The school does not make these applications.** Further information about the process and how to complete your application can be found at:

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/schools-learning/apply-for-a-school-place/secondary-school>

Welcome Event:

We would like to invite you to our Welcome Event at Trumpington Meadows. This is a wonderful opportunity for the community to come together and connect through a shared experience.



Communication is Key!

At the Federation we know that if parents are involved in their child's education then they do better at school. Therefore, we provide a range of opportunities for you to find out what is going on in school and how you can support at home.

A weekly newsletter:

Each week the school will send out a weekly newsletter. This will provide information about what is happening in the school for the week ahead. You will also see a calendar with upcoming events detailed on the newsletter. This is sent out by Parent Mail every Friday.

A Half Termly Curriculum overview:

At the start of each half-term we will send you our half termly curriculum overview. This will detail the content of the national curriculum being taught, key vocabulary and homework for the half term. This will be sent out by parent mail and posted on google classroom.

A monthly Year group newsletter:

At the end of each month, you will receive a monthly overview of what the children have been learning about.

Open classrooms:

Once a term there will be an open classroom event. This is an opportunity for parents and carers to visit classes and see the work that the children have been completing and to visit your child's classroom. These take place the week before parents evening which we do online.

Parents Evenings:

In the Autumn and Spring terms we have a parents' evening where you can meet with the class teacher and find out how you can support your child at home and how they are getting on in school. Your child's annual report is issued in the second half of the summer term. There is no parents' evening in the summer term therefore.

Other letters and information about things happening in school:

This will usually be sent out via parent mail on a Friday, for example information about trips or extra events, letters specific to your child's year group including visitors to school etc. These will usually be sent out with the newsletter.

Google classroom:

Google classroom is our virtual classroom. Your child will receive a log on and password when they start in KS1. This is a means by which teachers can send out notices to the classroom.

Please take time once a week to read the communications we send out. That way we can all be informed and aware of the many exciting things that happen in school. In addition to this, there are always adults available on the school gate, teachers are in the playground at the end of the school day and appointments can be made through the school office.

School Meal Payments:

The price of a school meal has been increased to £2.50 from this term as our catering company have increased their meals charge to the Federation. Please note that this applies only to Nursery, and Years 3 to 6 children who do not benefit from free school meals. All Reception and Years 1 and 2 children have the benefit of universal infant free school meals. If you would like to apply for free school meals, then please follow the link below. Even if your child is in Reception, Years 1 and 2, please apply if you think you may be eligible because if approved the school receives additional funding under the pupil premium grant.

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/schools-learning/help-with-school-learning-costs/free-school-meals>

Book Fair:

We will be holding a book fair, in the library, from Monday 2nd October – Friday 6th October. Opening times:

Monday – Thursday 8:20 – 8:40am and 3:20 – 4pm

Friday – 8:20 – 8:40 am only.

