

Another half term has whizzed by and comes to a close. We are very fortunate at the Federation to provide children with a wide range of opportunities. With Year 2 starting after half term, all children will have had time in Forest School, our KS2 children will all have the chance to swim each academic year, we have specialist Music and Spanish teachers, and we employ specialist PE teachers. This week, to keep up our Olympic theme, Mrs Prentice and Miss V attended a training event and met Max Whitlock – we did try and persuade him to visit our school later this year but apparently he's got Parisian plans in the summer.... Have a restful half term and see you all on Monday 26th February.



Open Classrooms/Parent Consultations

We will be opening the doors to the classrooms on Wednesday 28th February after school from 3.15-4.00. Do please come into the classrooms and take the opportunity to have a look at your child's work! Parent consultations will take place in the first two weeks of next half term – check your emails for the details of how to book an appointment.

Great Fire of London!

Last week, a highlight of the curriculum took place when the Year 2 children, who have been learning about the Great Fire of London this half term, recreated the event. They have been making Tudor houses as part of their DT work only for Mr Taylor to (safely) burn them (the children knew this was going to happen all along!)



Staffing

Congratulations to Mrs Clayton-Smith who is expecting twins in the Summer! In other news, Mrs Lewis heads off on maternity leave today and we wish her family the very best. Ms Stringhini will be heading to Fawcett so Ms Gomez will be joining us from Fawcett to cover Spanish and PPA. Ms Azimi, TA in Year 2, leaves us today. Good luck and thank you! We look forward to Ms Alsaheb joining us after half term as a new teaching assistant.

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>

Monday 19th February - Friday 23rd February
Half Term

Wednesday 28th February
Open Classrooms

Thursday 7th March
World Book Day

Friday 8th March
Year 6 Science Trip

Tuesday 12th March, 3:30 - 5pm
Federation STEM Event

11th - 22nd March
Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel event

Friday 15th March
Red Nose Day

Wednesday 20th March -9am
Reception Maths Café

Wednesday 20th March (pm)
Year 3 and 4 Performance

Thursday 21st March
Year 4 Trip to MAA

Thursday 21st March
Class Photo Day

Friday 22nd March (am)
Year 3 and 4 Performance

OPAL Update

With the weather being particularly unpleasant in recent days, please do ensure your children have suitable wet weather gear and wellies in school. We will be sending the children outside unless the weather makes it unsafe – this is a key OPAL principle!

**Volunteers for Trumpington Federation Science Event,
Tuesday 12th March, 3:30pm – 5pm**



Our annual STEM event will take place at Trumpington Meadows from 3.30-5pm. It has been hugely popular in the past and we are grateful for all those members of the community who have previously volunteered. In order for the event to take place this year, we will need a whole host of volunteers once again. We ask that volunteers plan and resource a STEM activity of their choosing and run the activity from 3.30 to 5pm. If you are able to volunteer, please contact Miss Fisher (kfisher@trufed.org.uk). Many thanks.

Reception Bus Trip

As part of their transport topic, Reception took the Park and Ride into Cambridge last week. They had to have their eyes peeled at all times as they completed their traffic survey, and sang The Wheels on The Bus, with the driver joining in with the horn!



Year 6 Bake Sale

Year 6 will be hosting a cake sale after school on Friday 1st March. They will be selling cakes and biscuits on the school playground to help fundraise for some Year 6 activities later in the year – please do pop along at the end of the school day.

Reception Maths Café

The Reception team would love to welcome you into their classroom on Wednesday 20th March at 9am for their Maths learning café. There will be activities for you to complete alongside your children as well as being an opportunity for you to see how Maths is taught to early years children and what you might be able to do to support at home.

First Aid

Clearly, keeping your children safe is our highest priority. All our teaching assistants are first aid trained with some having more detailed training to support with more complex cases. We will only send you an email if your child has a head injury but will always communicate with you if your child has an injury or issue that we think needs your immediate attention.



WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**

7TH MARCH 2024



Create a book character of your
choice using a humble potato



Potato Heads Competition!

Potatoheads is back! This World Book Day
we would like you to get creative and turn a
potato into a book character of your choice.

Will it be Where's Wally? The Hungry Caterpillar, or, Captain
Underpants? The only rule is that your character must feature in a book!
Find some examples here and much more inspiration online.

PLEASE BRING IN ALL ENTRIES TO BE JUDGED IN SCHOOL ON
THURSDAY 7TH MARCH.

Winning entries will be shared in the school newsletter!

