

We are often asked by parents what they can do to help with their children's learning at home. The first, and most important, thing is read, read, read! Parents in Year 1 will be aware that their child will be sitting the phonics screener in June so any extra practice would be very helpful in building the foundations for reading - you should have been pointed towards some resources but do speak to your child's class teacher if you have any questions. From Year 2 up, children have access to Accelerated Reader which they should be using to help guide their reading choices and to quiz on their books. Please do encourage children to use this; ideally, they would be reading at least 15 minutes every day. If you are interested, the BookTrust website shares a number of reasons why regular reading at home is so important for young children: [Booktrust research](#).

School Disco

The PTA will be hosting a school disco in the main Trumpington Meadows hall on Friday 3rd May. The Years 1, 2 and 3 disco will be from 4.30-5.30pm and the Years 4, 5 and 6 disco from 6.00-7.00pm. A group of children do need to be accompanied by an adult to the Year 1, 2 and 3 disco. Tickets are available through the link: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/fawcettprimaryschool/index.cfm?event=Shop>

We would be grateful for any adult help at either disco – please let the PTA Chair (ben.wp.pta@gmail.com) know if you would be willing to help. Many thanks in advance.



Start and end of the day

School starts at 8.40am for Years 1-6 and 8.45am for Reception. Please ensure children are in on time so they can make a smooth start to the day. School finishes at 3.10pm for Years 1-6 and 3.15pm for Reception. If you are running late, please let the office know. If you arrive more than 10 minutes late, your child will go to After School Club and you may incur a charge for the session.

Please can we also ask that anyone driving to school is particularly careful around the site at the start and the end of the school day.

Is my child too sick to send to school?

It can be tricky deciding whether your child is well enough to attend school or not. This NHS website provides some useful guidance for families: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/> if your child is too unwell to attend school, please do make sure to contact the school office every day that your child is ill.

Studybugs also links to the NHS website. If you are not using Studybugs, please sign up for the app (accessible through the usual app store on your phone) – it is a quick and efficient way to notify school of your child's absence!

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=1442>

Friday 3rd May

PTA School Disco

Monday 6th May

Bank Holiday - School Closed

Monday 13th May - Thursday 16th May

KS2 SATs week

Tuesday 14th May

Year 1 trip to Trumpington Church

Thursday 23rd May

Year 4 Trip to Wicken Fen

Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May

Half Term

Monday 10th June

Year 6 Residential Meeting - details to follow

Break and Lunch

Whilst it is lovely for children to see their parents when they are walking past school during the day, please can we ask that parents do not stop and chat to their children if they are out at break and lunch. This is important for safeguarding reasons and it can unsettle children when they then need to go back into class. Thanks for your help with this.