

It has been a busy week of trips this week – Year 5 had a magical day at the Harry Potter studios, escaping the roaring dragon, riding broomsticks and finding their way around Hogwarts whilst Year 4 explored the Fitzwilliam Museum and Year 2 attended the Clay Farm Library. There are some more details below! Thanks to all the teachers for organising these exciting opportunities and to the volunteers who helped out. We also had a visit from a representative from Cambridge United who ran an assembly on anti-bullying. It is important to us at the Federation that we continue to provide these different experiences across the curriculum.

You will have received a letter alongside this newsletter from Mrs Dalton about the leadership team at TM moving forward. In the letter, there is also a link to a form where you can leave a goodbye message to Miss Buckerfield. Please do contribute so we can present these to her next term.

Year 5 Trip to Harry Potter Studios

The much-anticipated Harry Potter studios trip saw the group take part in a workshop exploring costume design including seeing some special costumes not normally on display to the public. The class also had the chance to explore the studios and immerse themselves into the world of Harry Potter!



Year 4 Fitzwilliam Museum

The Year 4s were spoken to by a member of the Fitzwilliam team who introduced the children to a range of Greek pots, exploring their purpose and the different colouring techniques the Greeks used. They then had time to explore the rest of the museum and sketching some of their favourite pieces.



PTA Meeting

We will be having a virtual PTA meeting next Thursday at 9.30. Please come along if you think you could be able to volunteer any time at all to help run or contribute to our school events! We would be delighted to see as many people as possible there.

<https://meet.google.com/zhq-vxbs-vbj>

Dates and Events

Term Dates:

<https://www.trumpingtonfederation.co.uk/page/?title=Term+Dates&pid=133>

Y3 Pantomime Trip
Mon 4th December

Y6 SATS Information Meeting
Mon 4th December at 4pm

Christmas Lunch Day
Wed 6th December

Christmas Jumper Day
Thurs 7th December

Y4 Pantomime Trip
Thurs 7th December

Lego League Trip
Fri 8th December

KS1 Christmas Performance
Mon 11th December (am), Tue 12th December (pm)

Rec Christmas Performance
Wed 13th December (9.30am)

Y5/6 Pantomime Trip
Wed 13th December

Federation Winter Fayre
Fri 15th December from 3.30pm

Last Day of Term
Wed 20th December

The OPAL Project

Please see our school's social media pages on Facebook, X and Instagram to see what we are collecting to improve our playtimes. If you can help, please drop off your donations at the allocated points for your school.

We'd also be delighted to hear from any more parents who would be willing to share information about their jobs with the children.

Children in Need:

A huge thank to all the people that made Children in Need such a success. We raised £167.83! Thanks for your contributions to such a worthy cause!



Giraffe Project:

The giraffe is nearing completion – particular thanks must continue to go to Miss Woolsey who has been chief designer and lead advocate for all things giraffe in school! We are struggling as a school to settle on a name: Gillie, Giles, Gilbert and Galileo have all been among the contenders – we'll update you next week with the final decision....

Philosophy Club:

Mr Walton has launched a philosophy club at lunch, open to all children in KS2. He launched the club in assembly this week asking children different open questions from 'Would you rather be really rich or really clever?' to 'Would you rather sweat lemonade or have your breath smell of garlic?'

Phonics Support:

You can now help at home using the website below which includes all of the sounds your child will learn alongside an audio file to aid with pronunciation.

<https://syntheticphonics.com/the-english-alphabetic-code-with-audio/#page-content>

Rainbow hampers:

Each year, as part of our Christmas celebrations, we make rainbow hampers. Each class is assigned a colour and we ask members from each class to donate an item in this colour. For example, if a class is purple, children are asked to bring in purple items such as a purple candle, purple soap or bubble bath, confectionary that may be packaged in purple wrapping etc. We then raffle the hampers at our Christmas Fair. Example hampers are below:



Classes have been assigned the following colours:

- Nursery - Red
- Reception - Orange
- Year 1 - Yellow
- Year 2 - Green
- Year 3 - Blue
- Year 4 - Purple
- Year 5 - Silver
- Year 6 – Gold

Volunteer opportunities for Trumpington Federation Winter Fair are now open. Please use the following link to go to the signup sheet:

<https://volunteersignup.org/4BBKR> To sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do. Thank you for volunteering!

