The Trumpington Federation

Newsletter





News from the Federation – 26 April 2024



Art Club Update

This term, we are very fortunate to be able to offer an after-school art club as a result of the dedication from Mrs Godfrey and Miss McDonald. They have had an exciting start and would like to share their activities to date. 'We have all made our own sketchbooks using cartridge paper, different types of paper and fabrics. This week, we started exploring with 2B, 4B and H pencils, watercolours and acrylic paints. We used shells, animal skulls, dried flowers and our own imagination to inspire our artwork.'





Communication between teachers and families

We really value open communication within our school community. Teachers are available on the playground at the end of each day and appointments can be made for meetings through the office. If you wish to contact a teacher via email, please ensure that emails are sent to the school office.

Scooter Donations

As part of our OPAL development, we have a few scooters in school which are proving to be hugely popular. As they are being enjoyed by so many children, we would like to increase our fleet! If you have any old scooters at home, or know of anyone else who does, please could you consider donating these unwanted scooters to a very welcome home!

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.

Dates and Events

Term Dates

These can be found on our website using the link: https://www.trumpingtonfe

deration.co.uk/page/?title= Term+Dates&pid=133

Wed 1st May

Year 6 Quiz Night at 5:30pm

Mon 6th May Bank Holiday

Mon 13th May KS2 SATs Week

Mon 27th - 31st May Half Term

<u>Fri 7th June</u> OPAL Afternoon for families

Mon 10th June
Online Residential Meeting
for parents, time TBC

Wed 19th June Sports Day

Sat 29th June
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School Fete, time TBC

Wed 3rd July Year 6 Play, time TBC

Thurs 4th July Year 6 Play, time TBC

Wed 17th July, 5 - 6:30pm, Year 6 Disco

<u>Fri 19th July, 9am</u> Year 6 Leaver's Assembly





Fawcett - Spring 2024

We have now completed our second term of OPAL (outdoor play and learning). We think both the children and adults in school would agree that introducing this project has been one of the best things we have done in our schools.

In the last term, we have introduced a number of areas which have extended the opportunities for play. These include: a small world area, a quiet area for sitting and enjoying a book and a creative area. In addition, we have introduced our 'box play' activities which include: vehicles, soft toys, fancy dress, Lego and Duplo/Megablox. We have also added scooters to our playground equipment.

Our playgrounds really have been transformed! Play opportunities are now so much more varied and there is something for everyone to do and enjoy!





Date for the diary

On Friday 7th June we will be inviting parents in for a 'play afternoon'. On this day, we invite you to join us for a brief presentation about the OPAL project followed by the opportunity for you to join your child/ren to enjoy our wonderfully exciting play provision! The session will start in the school hall at 2pm and we will head out to play afterwards. You will be able to take your child/ren home at the end.

Thank yous

Thank you for all your donations for our non-school uniform day. It was a great success, we have been able to add lots of bits to our play provision already. Other bits will come in useful when equipment inevitably runs out/needs replacing.

Uniform

A note that our uniform policy will soon be officially updated to include wellies and waterproof clothing (a coat is essential, waterproof trousers/overalls are optional but advisable). Please ensure your child has these in school at all times so we can go out all weathers.

Can you help?

We are currently looking for **art and craft materials** to replenish our stocks.

Old scooters, buggies and bikes

Please leave all donations in the Opal drop-off point or speak to the school office Many thanks for your ongoing support with this!