



### News from the Federation – 22 March 2024



It is nearing the end of another busy term and there is lots to look back at and celebrate: The children have been able to take part in so many wonderful experiences and we are so pleased and proud to be able to offer these enrichment opportunities. There has been: Young Voices, Y2 visiting the Mosque, World Book Day, Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel event, a successful STEM event celebrating Science week, Y5 visit to the Chemistry festival, Y5 author visit at The Perse to name but a few. This will be the last newsletter for this term as it is the last day of term on **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March**. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April**.

#### Year 5 Science Festival Trip

On Tuesday Year 5 walked down to the Department of Chemistry, as part of the Science Festival, to watch their 'Just Add Water' lecture. Professor Peter Wothers showed us lots of different reactions involving water, many of which exploded. Here are some of our reactions:

'My favourite experiment was the Rice Krispie one because when it was set on fire there was loads of smoke'. (Romeo)

'My favourite experiment was the one where Professor Wothers filled an iron flask to the very top with water, screwed on the top and froze the water. As it froze, the iron flask exploded.' (Ben)

'An experiment I liked was when they had really pure water and they cooled it to -4 degrees C. When they touched it, it turned to ice. (Nadav)

'I jumped out of my seat when he lit the huge balloon and it literally burst into flames!' (Fred)



#### Reception Maths Café

Step into our Fawcett Maths Cafe, where we recently hosted a captivating event focused on early mathematics learning. After a brief presentation, parents gathered in our reception area and our families immersed themselves in hands-on maths activities in the classrooms, creating maths learning memories while reinforcing key concepts. Laughter filled the air as teachers, parents and children bonded over the joy of discovery of numbers, making the event fun a morning enjoyed by all.



#### 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 25<sup>th</sup> March 9:30am**  
LKS2 (Year 3 and 4) play

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March,**  
**11:30 - 12:30**  
Nursery Easter Stay and Play

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March**  
**LAST DAY OF SPRING TERM**

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April**  
**FIRST DAY OF SUMMER TERM**



#### Medicine in school

If your child has medication that needs to be administered in school please bring it to the school office and do not leave it in children's bags. We will ask you to complete a form and it is stored securely. Thank you.



### LSK2 Play Performance of Dragon Days

We are so proud of all our Year 3 and 4 children who performed magnificently in their production of 'Dragon Days'. The acting was Oscar-worthy and they sang with voices of angels! A big thank you to all the staff who helped to make the play such a success and also the all the adults from home for being such a supportive audience.



### Online Safety and Age Appropriate Apps

For children growing up with technology and the internet, online life and offline life is just life. Technology can move at an extraordinarily fast pace. So it can be difficult to know how to start talking to your child about what they're doing online, who they might be speaking to or discussing the potential risks and issues. At school, we teach and promote online safety regularly and it is vital that the same message is being given at home. It is important that families are aware of the age limits of the popular apps and are monitoring how their children are using technology. Please refer to the NSPCC website for guidance:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-child-online-safety/>



### Being Vigilant:

As well as helping our children to be safe online, we also need to reinforce how to be safe in the real world. If children are allowed to be out and about on their own, please can they be reminded about the importance of being where they say they will be and also reporting anything out of the ordinary to adults at home. This is a helpful resource:

<https://clevernevergoes.org/>

### Your help please!

Could you spare half an hour to look at the Federation website? We want to make sure that information is easy to find, and would love to have your help. Please email Liz Woodham, Co-Chair of Governors on [chair@trufed.org.uk](mailto:chair@trufed.org.uk) if you can.