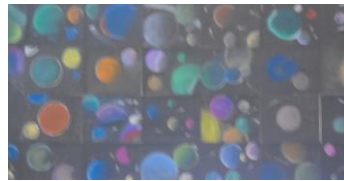


HAPPY NEW YEAR!

This week in assemblies we have been talking to the children about new beginnings which is an opportunity to reflect looking backwards and make improvements moving forward into the new year. As a Federation we also want to take this opportunity to do this as we work in partnership with you. Therefore, if you have any concerns, queries or praise please do share this with your child's class teacher or a member of the staff team. We want to positively work together for the good of the children. We have enjoyed welcoming everybody back to the start of a new year and new term. The staff and children have begun their new topics with enthusiasm and excitement and have produced some wonderful results already.



Year 6 'bush tucker trials' to kick start their topic, 'I'm a pupil, get me out of here!'



Year 5 created a solar system montage for their topic, 'Our Universe.'



Year 3 created some cartouches for their new topic.

Fitzwilliam Class trip to the mosque:

On our school trip to the Mosque in Cambridge, Fitzwilliam Class explored the pretty Islamic gardens, walked through cool areas like the portico and atrium, and then explored how people who follow the Muslim faith freshen up before going into the prayer hall. Inside, the prayer hall was peaceful and made us feel connected. We liked the creative architecture and learnt a lot about this eco-friendly Mosque. It was an enriching experience, and we all had an amazing time!



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>

Friday 19th January
Choir trip to Young Voices at the O2 Arena

14th February
Trinity trip to Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology

15th February
Wolfson trip to Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology

Friday 16th February
OPAL Non uniform day and parts donation (more information to follow)

Thursday 7th March
World Book Day and dress up day

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

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



Eco Squad trip to Waterbeach Recycling Centre:

The other half of the Eco Squad visited the recycling centre with the other half of the Perse's Green Team. At this time of the year, the site is super busy with all the extra recycling from Christmas. We found out some interesting facts: Did you know that 17 million Brussel sprouts are thrown out each Christmas? And, did you know every year, 227 000 miles of wrapping paper is discarded – which is almost the distance between the Earth and the Moon!

As a result of our trip to the recycling centre, we have come back with lots of exciting ideas. We would like to raise money to buy some more waste bins and some new composting bins. We are hoping to have a jumble sale to raise some funds. **If you have any unwanted, high quality items (clothes, books, toys, household items), please could you donate them to our jumble sale.**

Communication is key:

Talk to us - we are here to support your child with their learning and navigating their way through primary education. We are here for you. There are many ways to get in touch: share with the teachers at the end of the day on the playground or member of staff on playground in morning; contact the office for an appointment; scheduled parent consultations and open classrooms; information on the website, Google Classroom and through the weekly newsletter. If there is an issue, please make contact sooner rather than later; don't forget that we also like to hear about your child's successes and what is working well. We strongly believe that communication between school and home is of the utmost importance so that we can support our children as much as possible. We aim to communicate the positives but it is sometimes necessary to inform when a child has received at Time Out B or C. This will now be communicated via email, rather than a hard copy of the letter being sent home with the child.

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

Our annual STEM event will take place at Trumpington Meadows from 3:30pm – 5pm. It has been hugely popular in the past and we are grateful for all those members of the STEM community who have volunteered previously. In order for the event to take place this year, we will need a whole host of volunteers once more. We ask the following of volunteers:

To plan and resource a STEM activity of your choosing.

To run this activity from 3:30pm – 5pm.

If you have any background in STEM and would be happy to volunteer, please contact Katie Fisher (kfisher@trufed.org.uk) Please do also contact me if you have any queries about volunteering.

Census Day Thursday 18th January:

Next week, on Thursday, it is Census Day. For school meals on this day, there will be burgers (beef and Quorn). A reminder, with the menu, will be sent out via email at the beginning of next week.

REMINDERS

Cars:

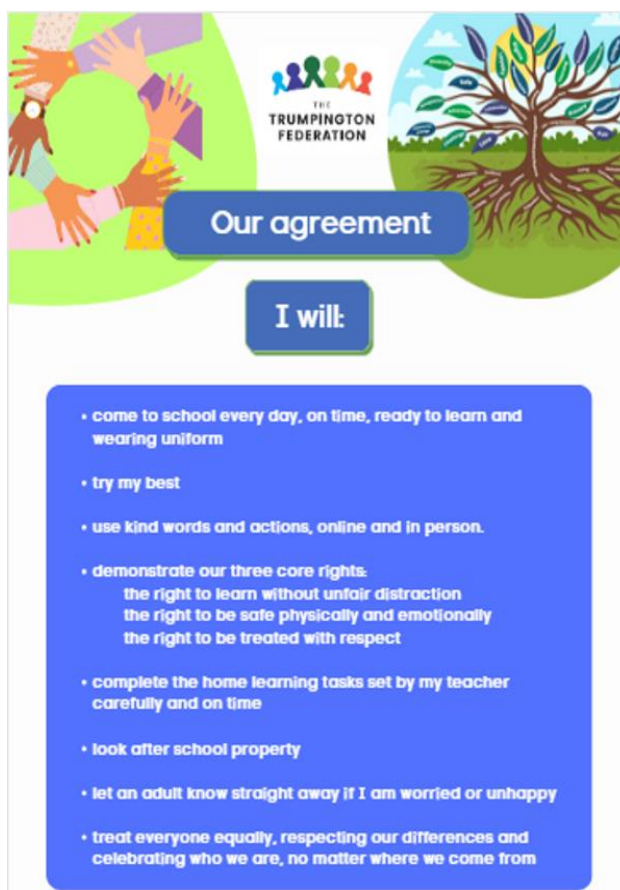
We would like to encourage people to travel to school in a way that is eco-friendly. If you are driving to school, please remember to be extra vigilant and that parking on Alpha Terrace is strongly discouraged. We will be participating in the Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel event again this year which inspires pupils to make active journeys to school to improve air quality in their neighbourhood.

Home School Agreement:

In order for families to make the most of their time at the Federation we all need to work together. To achieve this, we ask that all families agree and actively promote the home school agreement.

Home School Agreement link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1zYCinKdsiEo0Zpwea1oyJFnTcA-yL1f0Yl0Yloenaxc/edit>



The graphic features the Trumpington Federation logo at the top center, flanked by illustrations of hands and a tree. Below the logo is a blue box with the text 'Our agreement' and another blue box with 'I will:'. A large blue box contains a list of commitments.

Our agreement

I will:

- come to school every day, on time, ready to learn and wearing uniform
- try my best
- use kind words and actions, online and in person.
- demonstrate our three core rights:
 - the right to learn without unfair distraction
 - the right to be safe physically and emotionally
 - the right to be treated with respect
- complete the home learning tasks set by my teacher carefully and on time
- look after school property
- let an adult know straight away if I am worried or unhappy
- treat everyone equally, respecting our differences and celebrating who we are, no matter where we come from

Reception Reminder:

In order to ensure your child's for entry into primary/infant school in September 2024, please note that applications must be completed and returned to the Admissions Team by the closing date of 15th January 2024.

There are two ways to make your application for your school place. It can be done either:

Online via our website: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/admissions.

On a paper application, available by calling 0345 045 1370.

Please note that if you apply on paper, you will need to wait for your postal offer, and will not receive an email on the offer date. Please note that if your child has a statement of Special Educational Needs, you should contact the Student Assessment Team (SAT team) on 01480 372600. If you submit an application after the closing date, it will be less likely that you are allocation your first choice of placement.

Allergy Reminder:

Food allergies are currently on the increase. Research shows that 1 in 10 children less than 5 years old have food allergies. Up to 2% of the population will have food allergies for life and we do have children at Fawcett with such allergies. An allergic reaction triggered by a small amount of food eaten or touched can be rapid in onset and progress quickly to a life threatening emergency.

According to the Education Department's duty of care obligations to students, schools are required to ensure all students feel safe and supported at school. This includes supporting and responding to students with mild to moderate allergies. An allergic reaction can be traumatic for the student and others witnessing the reaction.

It is important to be aware that some students with an allergy may not wish to be singled out or seen to be treated differently. Common allergens include: peanuts, tree nuts such as cashews, eggs, cow's milk, wheat, soy. These are just to name a few. As a school we need to implement risk minimisation for our at- risk children. Many of the strategies have been in place for a very long time but it is important that we adhere to the following:

- Food may not be shared between students and washing hands before and after eating is encouraged.
- No food containing nuts is allowed
- **No egg sandwiches, hard boiled eggs, quiche or omelette are allowed**
- Teachers plan for children with food allergies when planning any fundraisers, cultural days or community events by sending notices to parents requesting food allergy information for each event and discouraging specific food products.
- Food rewards are discouraged and non-food rewards encouraged.

Careers Related Learning (CRL):

At the Federation, we are incorporating into our curriculum a 'careers related learning' approach. Research (conducted by The CEC, 2021) has shown that by 6 years old children start to adopt stereotypes based on gender, ethnicity and social background. At 9 years old children start to abandon fantasy careers and start to become more aware of potential constraints on their futures. The aim of the approach is four- fold: to challenge bias and stereotypes, to make links explicit in the curriculum, to forge meaningful encounters with local employers and to engage parents.

To open up the world of work to our children, **we are looking for volunteers to talk about their job and workplace at an assembly. We are also seeking out people willing to invite us into their place of work to learn more about it. If this is something that you are able to contribute to then please email Miss Fisher:** kfisher@trufed.org.uk.

Apply now



for a Reception school place for September 2024

If your child will
be aged 4 by
**31st August
2024**

You need to
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for a School
place



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**Apply by
15th January
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