

News from the Federation 24th October 2025

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How to keep children safe online is an issue we know many parents are concerned about – the challenge is enormous: children today have access to far more concerning material online than ever before, and, if we are honest, are often more proficient than the adults at accessing things we may not want them to see. As part of our PSHE and Computing curriculum, children will discuss these dangers and how to keep themselves safe online, but there is a difference between being taught in class and the reality of manoeuvring through the world on a phone. Sometimes, the risks do not come from obvious places.

The site Quora, on the face of it an innocent information site that is unlikely to be blocked by online filters, has been used to host inappropriate material that children should not be seeing. It is therefore very important that parents are vigilant to their child's use of the internet, and please do discuss this with your child at home! There are some useful resources for parents to support with what is an increasingly challenging area.

[Teaching Your Child about Internet & Online Safety | NSPCC](https://www.halesvalleytrust.org.uk/page/?title=National+College+Online+Safety+Posters&pid=60)

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I hope everyone enjoys a resultful half term break and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on 3rd November.

Mrs Calverley

Fitzwilliam Trip to Clay Farm Library:

Over the past week, both Year 2 classes visited Clay Farm Library. Our topic this half term has focused on The Stories People Tell, including some key authors; Roald Dahl, Julia Donaldson, Oliver Jeffers, Nadia Shireen and Anthony Browne. Whilst at the library, Year 2 were able to learn how the library works, in addition to exploring the different areas and choose some books to take out. The children really enjoyed listening to a book by one of our key authors too. They represented the school really well!



OPAL news:

We would like to say a huge thank you to all the adult volunteers who came to support us last week. We were able to achieve so much as a result of the overwhelming support which means that children are able to enjoy their OPAL playtimes to the fullest.

On **Friday 7th November at 2:15pm**, we are inviting families to come and join an OPAL playtime with their children. Please do come to the main gate if you are able to join us. There will be a presentation in the main hall first and then families will be able to join their children on the playground.

Dates and Events

These can be found on our website using the link:
<https://www.trumpingtonfederation.co.uk/page/?title=Term+Dates&pid=133>

Term Dates:

24th October, last day of half term
(24th-31st Oct half term break)

Monday 27th October - Monday 3rd November, HALF TERM

Friday 31st October, deadline for secondary school admissions

3rd November, welcome back to school for the start of the second half of the autumn term

Wednesday 5th November,
8:20am - 8:40am and 3:10pm - 3:45pm, Open Classrooms

Friday 7th November, 2:15pm
OPAL stay and play

Friday 7th November, Trumpington Federation School disco @

Trumpington Meadows: Year 1 and 2, 4 - 5pm; Years 3 - 6, 5:50 - 6:30pm

Parent consultations, wk/b 10th November

Wednesday 19th November, Year 4 trip to the Fitzwilliam Museum

Friday 28th November, Year 5 trip to Harry Potter World

After half term we are going to be using Sway to share our newsletter. We have listened to your feedback, using Sway will make the school information sharing more accessible for all.

Wednesday 5th November, 8:20am – 8:40am and 3:10pm – 3:45pm, Open Classrooms:

We will be opening our classrooms at the above times for families to come and see what we have been up to this term. The children are so proud of all their work so please do come along.

Week beginning 10th November, Parent Consultations:

The online booking system is now available for families to book an appointment with their child's class teacher. Please to take this opportunity to meet with your child's teacher so that they can share how your child is settling in and academic progress to date. An email will be sent with instructions about how you can make an appointment.

Friday 7th November, Trumpington Federation School Disco:

