



News from the Federation 24th January 2025



A highlight of this week was the Performance Assembly in which children who wanted to play their instrument to the school had the opportunity to share their musical talents. It was delightful! Well done and thank you to all the children that participated.

Gathering the opinions of our children is very important to us at The Federation. In this week's newsletter you can read about the feedback we have had from the children regarding their learning and how much they enjoy it. This is just one element of pupil voice, we regularly talk to the children in all year groups to understand how our children are feeling and what they are thinking and to ensure they are feeling safe and prepared to learn in our classrooms.

Mrs Calverley

What's been happening this week

Year 4

Year 4 have been learning how to weave. We have learned that the Anglo-Saxons made their own cloth and have been enjoying making our own. It was tricky to start with but we have all got to be so good that we have asked to make a second one!



Year 2

Year 2s have been busy creating amazing Tudor house models out of cereal boxes!

Later this term, they will be part of an exciting (and fiery) history lesson as we recreate The Great Fire of London. A hands-on way to bring history to life.



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>

Week beginning Monday 3rd

February

Children's Mental Health Week

Wednesday 5th February

Young Voices - Choir trip

Thursday 6th February

Year 2 Trip to the Mosque

Week beginning Monday 10th

February

Safer Internet Week

Tuesday 11th February

Year 4 trip to the Fitzwilliam Museum

Thursday 13th February at

2.15pm

KS2 Internet Safety Event

Monday 17th February

HALF TERM

Monday 24th February

RETURN TO SCHOOL

Wednesday 26th February

Book Fair

Thursday 13th March, 3:30pm - 5pm

Federation STEM Event

Friday 21st March

Red Nose Day

STEM EVENT – Thursday 13th March

We are hoping to hold our annual STEM event again this year. In order to run this event, we are solely reliant on volunteers from our community. If you have any background in STEM and are willing to run a stand which you decide on the activity for and provide all the resources, please contact Miss Fisher via email: kfisher@trufed.org.uk



Pupil Voice

As a Federation, we regularly gather feedback from our pupils about their learning. Subject teams look to collect pupil voice annually and use that feedback when they are thinking about their action plans to inform goals for the future. Recently, pupil voice has been collected by our teams who focus on: Science, Reading and Maths.

Some Science Pupil Voice

WHY IS SCIENCE IMPORTANT?

"..because we learn about the human body. That is very important."

"It's important cause scientists answer questions that people doesn't know."

"...Because in later life you could be a scientist."

"..because to keep our teeth healthy."

This year, the English team has introduced a new reading curriculum that is focussed on whole class teaching and the explicit teaching of reading. As part of developing the new reading curriculum the team has mapped out high quality, age appropriate texts that each year group will use in lessons throughout the year. In establishing the curriculum they have collected pupil voice to see pupils' thoughts on the new lessons.

Some Reading Pupil Voice

Do you enjoy reading lessons?

It's better this year. It's interesting. I liked the football text best as I support Liverpool.

I like that we get to explore more texts and that it's all together - we work more like a team.

I like it more this way. Everyone has a chance to read and you can hear everyone. I like when the teacher tells us to read a bit with a partner and we follow with a pencil. I like that we're reading chapter books.

The Maths team have introduced a new calculation policy which supports children in making choices over the methods that they use for calculations. There has also been a focus on raising the profile of times tables and our investment in TT Rockstars with children and their adults.

WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT MATHS?

"I like that we talk about what we learned last year - it makes it easier to remember."

"I like using the expanded column method for addition and subtraction."

"We are learning about line graphs. They look like squiggly lines but they are actually data."

"I really enjoy using multi-link cubes to help me work out tricky questions."

"Adding lots of big numbers together can be tricky, but I know if I keep going I can work it out."

"I like how we get to work together during our Maths lessons. It makes it more fun."

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