

News from the Federation – 14th February 2025

This week, we had a number of SCITT students completing their teacher training in school as part of their focused days looking at how teachers explain and model content. They spent some time discussing with senior leaders how we work as a school to develop teacher practice before observing in classes and noting how teachers carefully explain new learning and model how to complete new skills. This has been a big part of our teacher development; the upcoming focus of which is on small, effective strategies teachers can use to adapt learning so that all children, in all lessons, are able to make good progress and achieve well.

The students were also accompanied by an inspector from OFSTED who was exploring how teacher training programmes support their trainees to develop their teaching skills (the inspector was not inspecting us!) It was pleasing to hear from the trainees during their feedback that they felt very quickly that the school was a caring community where nurture and inclusion shone through. Have a fantastic and restful half term break.

Mr Monro

Year 2's exciting learning!

It has been quite a week in Year 2 with the children baking bread as part of their Great Fire of London, completing their Tudor houses (ahead of the fire itself...) and travelling to the Cambridge mosque, where they reinforced their learning in school and developed their understanding of features of a mosque.



Year 4 visit to the Fitzwilliam

Year 4 visited the Fitzwilliam Museum this week – they explored the Ancient Greek exhibition and were excited to see their history learning reflected in the artefacts they saw. They also spent some time looking at examples of still life art. They completed some sketching challenges such as a single line drawing of a painting created by Monet.



Dates and Events

Term Dates

<https://www.trumpingtonfederation.co.uk/page/?title=Term+Dates&pid=1442>

Wednesday 26th February
Open Classrooms (3.10-4)

Wednesday 26th February - 4th March
Book Fair at TM

Tuesday 4th March
Year 5 at Careers Fair

Friday 7th March
Year 6 at Science Event

Thursday 13th March
Federation STEM Event

Thursday 20th March
Individual School Photos

Friday 21st March
Red Nose Day

Friday 4th April
End of Spring Term

STEM EVENT – Thursday 13th March:

If you have any background in STEM and are willing to run a stand at our annual STEM event, please contact Miss Fisher via email: kfisher@trufed.org.uk



World Book Day

This year's World Book Day will take place on **Thursday 6th March**. Each class will dedicate some time to celebrating all things reading, these activities will vary from year group to year group.

Dressing Up

As always, we invite all pupils to dress up as their favourite character from a book. Please do not feel the need to spend money in order for your child/ren to take part, the home-made costumes are great, if not better! To support with this, we will organise a costume swap opportunity where outgrown/unwanted costumes can be donated – more information on this will come after half term.



Book Fair

The book fair will be back in school after half term from Wednesday 26th February to Tuesday 4th March. This will be based in the small hall after school each day – please do come along!

