

News from the Federation – 22nd April 2022

Welcome back everyone! We hope you have had a lovely Easter break. All the sunshine we have been having certainly brightens up our day!

Playground Markings

Many of you will have noticed that we have had the playground markings done at both schools and the children have started to engage in very creative and fun games on them. They were so excited when they walked in on Tuesday morning. There were many exciting sounds of awe from adults and children alike which is always reassuring, so a huge thank you to all the members of our school council who have played a vital role in designing and choosing the playground markings.



Recycling and the Environment

Children at the federation are very passionate about recycling, the environment and have always been keen to play their part in saving the Planet. This has been the case when it comes to using recyclable materials for serving school lunches, walking/cycling to school to reduce carbon footprint, limiting the use of disposable water bottles and planting our own trees. This year, Irene from year 6 has gone an extra mile with her commitment to protecting the environment by presenting her argument to our Governing body. She argued the case for using recycled paper and worked hard at giving her rationale for adopting this approach. Since the presentation, Irene has received a letter from the Governors and the federation has changed supplier to ensure that we are using recycled paper for all our needs.

At the federation, we believe all members of our community should be treated with respect.

Open Classrooms

We will be having Open Classroom on Thursday 5th May to enable parents/carers to come into school, visit their children's classrooms, look at the lovely work children have produced and chat to the class teacher and their child/ren about their learning/work. Exact timings will be confirmed very soon. We are also looking forward to relaunching the PTA (Friends of the Federation) and starting to plan future events and fund-raising ideas. Please sign up.

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

As it is the Queen's Platinum Jubilee this year, we would like to celebrate the life of the Queen at this particular milestone, as it has never been achieved by any other monarch. During the last school week of May, children will share their learning about the decades the Queen has lived through and learn about all the fascinating and significant events that have marked each decade between 1952 – 2022 which the queen would have lived through as well as many other facts. We will also provide children with a very British lunch and music from each decade will be re-visited. Children will have the opportunity to come dressed in red, white and blue or the fashion trends of the decade they have been allocated to research; so a true celebration of culture and change the Queen has witnessed throughout her reign.

Term Dates & Events

First day of Summer Term
Tuesday 19th April 2022

Open Classrooms
Thursday 5th May 2022

KS2 SATS Week
Monday 9th May 2022

Year 6 Residential Trip
Mon. 23rd May - Wed. 25th May 2022

Summer Half Term
Friday 27th May 2022

Platinum Jubilee Bank Holidays
Thurs. 2nd & Fri. 3rd June 2022

Last day of Summer Term
Friday 22nd July 2022

Reception Class Places

If you have received an offer for your child to start Reception class in September 2022, please confirm acceptance of the offer if you intend for your child to attend either of our schools by the end of this month.

Year 6 Charity Morning

Well done again to our Year 6s for raising a whopping £262.52 at their charity day. The money raised will be given to the Year 6 chosen charity - the Make-a-Wish Foundation. Thank you for all of your support in making this event the wonderfully enjoyable success that it was.

Labelling of clothes

So we can identify lost items, please could we ask all parents to clearly label



Welcome Back Mrs Calverley

We are delighted to welcome back Mrs Calverley to the team at the federation. Mrs Calverley had been seconded to Fenstanton and Hilton, as Interim Headteacher for the past 2 terms to help lead that school in their educational journey. Fenstanton and Hilton have appreciated all her hard work and dedication during this time and have valued the support provided by the federation.

Mrs Calverley has returned to the federation this term and will be bringing a wealth of new knowledge, skills and experience to the federation as a result of her secondment.

As a federation, we believe in school to school support and are proud that the skills and talents of our staff are recognised and called upon to support other schools.