# The Trumpington Federation

# Newsletter





# News from the Federation – 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024



# Year 6 Play

We are so proud of all of Year 6s, including all the adults, for their spell-binding performance of 'Aladdin'. The show was all-singing and all-dancing with enthusiastic participation from the audience. The jokes were flowing and a good time was had by all. It will be one of those productions that goes down in Fawcett history. Well done, everybody!



# Year 5 trips to the Museum of Classical Archaeology

From Churchill Class, Fred has written this report: My favourite activities were handling the objects and finding out what they were and what their stories were. The other activity that I enjoyed was going on the scavenger hunt to answer questions as well as drawing pictures of the casts.





## **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

Mon 8<sup>th</sup> - Wed 10<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 Residential

Mon 8<sup>th</sup> July Reception Animal Experience

Wed 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2:15 Reception Sporty Fun

Wed 10<sup>th</sup> July, 11:30 -12:30 Nursery and St Catherine's Class Stay and Play

Wed 17<sup>th</sup> July Teddy
Bears' Picnic, 11:45 
12:30
For children moving into

Reception

Wed 17<sup>th</sup> July, 5 - 6:30pm Year 6 Disco

Fri 19<sup>th</sup> July, 9am Year 6 Leaver's Assembly

#### **Transition Day**

Monday morning began with an air of excitement in the school playground as children and adults prepared themselves to spend the day getting to know their new classes. Any nerves were quickly dispelled as the children quickly got stuck into all the fun activities the teachers had planned.



Year 2 investigating which objects make the best bubbles



Year 5 made Golden Snitches in preparation for the Harry Potter topic

# The return of the Summer Fair

Last Saturday saw the Federation community out in force at our Summer Fair. The sun was shining and it was so wonderful to see so many families taking advantage of the weather and the activities that the PTA had put on offer. Mr Monro and Mrs Calverley more than stepped up to the mark as they had wet sponges thrown at them to raise much needed funds. Thank you to all those people who made this such a successful and enjoyable event.

### **After School Club Vacancy**

We are recruiting for After School Club. If you are interested in joining our dedicated team and share our passion for children's well-being please do get in touch. Further information and how to apply can be found on our website: https://www.trumpingtonfederation.co.uk/page/?title=After+School+Club+Playworker&pid=1422

# **Parting Message from the Executive Head**

Dear All,

I just wanted to thank you all for your support over the last 7 years that I have been the executive HT at the federation. It has been an incredible time and we have achieved so much together. This has been achieved by staff, governors, children and parents working in partnership for the benefit of the children of Trumpington. I know that I am leaving the federation in great hands and a good place although school funding is becoming harder and harder and difficult decisions will have to be made by all schools moving forward.

The staff at the federation really are incredible. They put your children first every day. The OPAL project has transformed playtime and lunchtime. The curriculum staff have designed is brought to life through meaningful trips and visits and the enthusiasm staff have for the subjects and curriculum content they deliver. We have a swimming pool. Forest schools is part of our curriculum and provides the opportunity for children to learn and appreciate the outdoors, work together and supports their emotional wellbeing. Many staff give up their time to run clubs and after school activities. It can be sometimes easy to take these things for granted.

The involvement of parents and your support is and has been essential. The difference you can make by reading with your child for 5 minutes every day is measurable and makes a long-term difference to outcomes, employment and life expectancy! We believe in teamwork and collaboration.

Post COVID, things have been difficult for many families. Inflation and increased costs are putting pressure on family and school budgets. We are all being asked to do more with less. Our family support workers and inclusion team are there to support and help. Believe me not all schools offer this level of support.

Sometimes, it is easy to take for granted what is provided. We know that we can always do better and are constantly seeking to improve. However, what has happened post COVID for all schools, local authorities and OFSTED is an increase in the number of complaints. At the federation, we believe in catching pupils in. We know that being persistently positive is what makes a difference and inspires and motivates pupils to reach for the moon.

So, as I leave the team at the federation, what I would ask is that you put trust and faith in the professionals that the staff at the federation are. It takes many years of training to become a teacher, and school leader. Our support staff are highly skilled and qualified. Our governors are volunteers who invest their time, knowledge and skills in contributing to the development of our schools. Each and every child counts at the federation and we all want the best for your child/children. This has to be achieved within an inclusive community of learners with finite resources and by working together.

Mrs Dalton