



### News from the Federation – 12 July 2024



#### Schools Out

As we end our year, staff have been reflecting together on our successes and celebrations as a school of which there are many. Staff have given the children an incredible array of experiences, both inside and outside of school and it has been a joy to watch children of all ages thrive and grow.

We are proud of the achievements of our Year 6 children and know that we send them on to their new secondary schools having had some wonderful, memorable learning experiences, with strong basic skills and a love of learning.

Thank you once again for working with us to ensure our children are safe and happy and encouraged to dream, believe and achieve as they work towards their goals and ambitions. We hope that everybody has a well-deserved rest and we look forward to welcoming children back to school on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September.

#### 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>

##### Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September

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#### Year 6 Disco

Year 6 had great fun celebrating their time at Primary School on Wednesday evening at their Leavers' Disco! They sang and danced their time away on the dance floor with their friends and enjoyed lots of treats - including an ice-cream from the ice-cream van! A big thank you to Esther Brand for making the evening so special for the children.



#### Teddy Bears' Picnic

We had a great time getting to know our new Reception children in the Forest School area. They brought their teddy bears to share their picnic lunch and we had fun exploring the area, talking about our new classes and our summer holiday plans.

#### OPAL Update

Some of our new equipment has finally arrived - we have new balls, space hoppers, hoops and spades for the digging area. These will all go out on the playground in September. We couldn't do this without money raised by the PTA so THANK YOU for continuing to support all of our fundraising events. The outdoor speakers have been introduced to playtimes and the children are having a super time dancing. We have an OPAL playlist that keeps everyone dancing including the adults! In September we will recruit and train pupils to be OPAL DJs to oversee the equipment.



#### School Meals

Our catering contractors have advised us that due to high labour costs (including a big increase in the National Living Wage) they will be increasing the cost of a pupil meal to £2.60 up from the present level of £2.50 with effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024. Regrettably we have no choice but to pass on this increase. Please note therefore that any paid pupil meal taken by children in Nursery class and year groups 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be charged at the new rate of £2.60 from the new academic year starting in September.

If your child is currently in Yr. 2 and moving up to Yr. 3, they will no longer be entitled to Universal Infant Free school Meals. This means that parents of these children will need to pay for school meals from September should their child have a school prepared meal.

For year groups 3, 4, 5 and 6, families may be entitled to Free School Meals if on certain benefits, please click on the following link to check entitlement.

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/schools-learning/help-with-school-learning-costs/free-school-meals>

#### After School Club and Breakfast Club

From September, ASC will be charged at £16 per session with a 10% discount for siblings. ASC starts straight after school and finishes at 5.45pm. Please note that children collected after 6pm will be charged at £1 per minute.

Breakfast Club doesn't require you to book, you can just drop your child off from 7.50am. Breakfast Club is charged at £5.50. Children will be given breakfast at the club but please make sure there is enough time for your child to have breakfast before school. Children that arrive after 8.30am will not be served breakfast as there is not enough time for them to eat which would make them late for registration.