

Continuous professional development (CPD) is something we take very seriously at the Federation and all staff undergo regular training to develop their skills and improve our practice. Recently, we have adjusted the way we teach reading in school and teachers have observed each other and reflected on this, whilst including evidence-based practice into how we teach children to read fluently. If your children come home and talk about 'echo reading', for example, this will be one of the strategies we are using to develop this area. We have some teachers taking part in a local authority project aimed at developing practice in fluency across Cambridgeshire and the findings from this research will then be brought directly into our classrooms.

As always, we want to share and celebrate the learning that has taken place in the classrooms this week. Please read on to find out more!

Mrs Calverley

This week at Fawcett

Year 5 trip to AstraZeneca

Year 5 had a fantastic morning visiting AstraZeneca's Discovery Centre this week - we are so lucky to have this opportunity just down the road. We had an exciting session in the STEM inspiration lab where we practiced our pipetting skills and learnt about the stages of drug development. We also experienced a tour of the new facilities and saw scientists at work!



PTA AGM Friday 6th December at 12pm



This is a key date in our PTA calendar. Please do join us to find out what has been going on and what the plans are for the future. We would really value your support.

A link will be sent out closer to the time as this meeting will be held virtually.

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>

Monday 2nd December at 4pm

SATs information session for families

Friday 6th December at 12pm

PTA AGM

Wednesday 11th December at 9:15am

KS1 Christmas Performance

Thursday 12th December at 2pm

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Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch

Friday 13th December, 3:30 - 5pm

Federation Winter Fair

Wednesday 18th December at 2:15pm

Reception Christmas Songs Performance,

Wednesday 18th December, 11:45 - 12:45

Nursery Stay and Play

Friday 20th December

End of term

Tuesday 7th January 2025

Children return to school

Trumpington Federation Winter Fayre, Friday 13th December 3:30pm – 5pm



Please do join us for some festive fun at our Winter Fayre. There is something for everyone, from games to festive foods and treats. It is a chance for the whole school community to come together and share good cheer.

If anybody would be interested in volunteering to run an activity or stall, please sign up using this link: <https://forms.gle/S871BeEVsEQDvxUu7>

If any parent or teacher wants to have a commercial stall at the TF and TDAG winter fair they can email trufed.pta@gmail.com

Rainbow hampers

As the weeks whizz by it is time to start thinking about Christmas! Each year, as part of our Christmas celebrations, we make rainbow hampers. Each class is assigned a colour and we ask members from each class to donate an item in this colour. For example, if a class is purple, children are asked to bring in purple items such as a purple candle, purple soap or bubble bath, confectionary that may be packaged in purple wrapping etc. When then raffie the hampers at our Christmas Fair. Example hampers are below:



Classes have assigned the following colours:

Nursery – Red	Year 3 – Blue
Reception – Orange	Year 4 – Purple
Year 1 – Yellow	Year 5 – Silver
Year 2 – Green	Year 6 – Gold