

TOP STORIES #51

There is not much big news this week, but there is still enough news that is interesting.

The [biggest Mobile technology conference of the year is about to kick off in Barcelona](#), which promises to be very interesting, and there will be a lot of news next week!

If you are new to this newsletter - welcome!

You can catch up on the previous weeks letter [#50 here](#).

You can invite colleagues to [join here](#).

Hardware

Microsoft Adding Support for AMD Neural Processors

Microsoft is adding support for AMD's NPU's (Ryzen 8000 and upwards) to the Task Manager. Intel is already supported. This is the next big step forward in AI computing, where your computer will support AI capability using its own computing power, rather than having to connect to the cloud. [You can read more here](#).

Intel On track with Arrow Lake and Lunar Lake

Based on the latest disclosures, Intel is on track with their next generations of CPUs that will include tiles from TMSC - however, it seems Panther Lake will only be ready in 2026. [You can read more here](#). What is clear from this roadmap is that you can't lock yourself into buying notebooks with exactly the same specifications for more the 18 months (probably less).

Microsoft Makes an AI deal with Intel

Microsoft has done a deal with Intel to manufacture chips designed in-house by Microsoft on top of Microsoft already announcing that TMSC is also going to be making chips as well. [See more about this here](#).

Microsoft

Security Patches without reboots coming to Windows 11 24H2

This feature is not new, it had been enabled for Windows server 2022, but now Microsoft is planning to add it to the big release of Windows this year that almost got called Windows 12. [Read more here](#).

New Teams Video Clip feature coming in April

Microsoft says that in April, you can now [use Teams video clip in the channel](#), in addition to chat. Record yourself, your screen, or an audio-only clip and attach the video clip to your channel post or reply.

Publisher coming to end of life

Microsoft publisher has not ever been very popular, but is nevertheless used by some. For those few, this is an advance warning that Publisher will be gone by 2026. Libre Office and Corel Draw will still support importing Publisher files. You can read more about the [demise of Publisher](#) here.

Are people actually using CoPilot?

[Here is an interesting story](#) with examples of how people are using CoPilot to enhance their work. What is clear is even though it is early days, it is very important to be experimenting with AI as you must remember this quote: *"AI is not going to replace humans, but humans with AI are going to replace humans without AI."*

Again it is so important to get ready for AI and to get into the Workshop that we are offering, see ["What's up at FTG below"](#).

Cloud & AI

The Rise of Sovereign AI

[This is a very interesting interview with the CEO of NVIDIA](#) talking about how datacenters in the near future will be limited in their scope and access to single countries and companies as they start to realise the raw material of AI is data, and maybe you do not want to put it on the internet for all to scrape.

Adobe adds AI to Acrobat

If you are an Acrobat user, you will have noticed that Generative AI capability has been added,

and it is actually pretty nifty - you can ask it to help you with the document you have open without having to jump through hoops to get your other AI to chew on it. It is in beta, and currently for free - [you can read more about it here](#) .

Security

Opponents of US are gearing up for an AI assault

This report may be a bit overdramatic, but it serves as a sobering reminder that AI will be used for good and bad in equal measure, and you need to keep adapting to ensure that the bad guys do not catch you out. Microsoft's response to this is to rollout CoPilot for Security which is really just part of a bigger ongoing arms race. [You can read more about this here](#) . Of course, Phishing attacks are already a lot more sophisticated thanks to AI.

What's up at FTG

FTG is offering an [M365 CoPilot Readiness Workshop](#) to help you get ready. You can [register here](#) .

An Insider View of Microsoft Security CoPilot

BUI is excited to personally invite you and your team to an exclusive one-on-one demo session we are hosting featuring Microsoft Security Copilot. It's a fantastic opportunity for us to showcase this cutting-edge technology to you. [Sign up here](#) .

Nintex AI-Powered Process Automation - want to know more?

Join First Technology Digital as we delve into the transformative realm of Nintex's AI-powered Process Automation.

When

29 February 2024, 10h00 to 11h00

Where

Online webinar, register [here](#)

Movies

Now Playing: [Demon Slayer: To the Hashira Training](#)

Now Playing: [Frankie end Felipe](#)

Now Playing: [Oppenheimer \(re-issue\)](#)

Now Playing: [Miller's Girl](#)

1 March: [Jungle Bunch 2](#)

1 March: [Dune Part 2](#) (this may be the biggest release of 2024 - only Deadpool 3 on 26 of July may beat it)

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