



QE NEWS



Autumn Term

Issue 6

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Dates for your diary

17-20/10/11	Year 6 Bikeability—2 courses
19/10/11	Parents Evening from 3.30pm
20/10/11	Year 3 trip to Bignor Roman Villa
21/10/11	INSET - school closed to children
24 - 28/10/11	HALF TERM
31/10/11	School re-opens 8.50am
31/10/11	Year 5 Bikeability Class 5P
1/11/11	Year 5 Bikeability Class 5W
1/11/11	PSA EGM
11/11/11	PSA Quiz Night
21/11/11	Year 5 Hydro Drama Workshop
21-24/11/11	Year 6 Bikeability - two course s
25/11/11	Day of Difference (MUFTI day)
2/12/11	PSA Christmas Fair
5/12/11	QE Factor
9/12/11	Class Assembly 6CR - 2.40pm
13/12/11	Carol Service @ Guildford Cathedral - 10.30am
19/12/11	Children's Christmas Parties
21/12/11	End of Term 1.45pm



In the post box this week....

This week we have been looking at what we can rely on in our lives

I can rely on my mum and dad because they never lie to me and they won't in the future. Father Christmas provides for me because he gives me toys and games. I can't rely on my brother Harry because he never gives me what I need for school like when I had a chocolate bar and he wanted it. I gave him what he wanted but he doesn't do the same for me.

Jack C, Castle, 4B

Memories are solid in my life. Even if everything else breaks, you will still have them. My mum provides for me and that's really important. I can't rely on people who lie because sometimes they say something you don't want to hear.

Anonymous, Abbot, 6CR

Mum, God, Liars

Anonymous, Abbot, 3L



At Last!



The day I thought may never happen arrived on Monday as we finally began our new build. As you can see from the picture above, progress has been rapid and I am really excited to see what the new boys toilets will look like. I know that's a bit sad but so much time and effort has gone into the bidding process that it's just good to see it actually beginning.

We had our prospective parents coffee morning yesterday which was a great success. The last of the tours is today and I have been so pleased with the Year 6 House Captains and Vice Captains. They have done an excellent job and thoroughly deserve the praise they have received from the parents they have shown around. It gives me a huge amount of pride to show people around QE because I really think this is a fantastic school and I love being the Headteacher. It's also great to show off once in a while as well!

It's hard to believe it's only a week until half term. This first few weeks have flown by and we have been busy making preparations for the second half term including the Christmas Fayre. We have a fantastic group of parents who help on the PSA and the Fayre is one of their biggest events. They are always looking for new members so if you feel you could contribute, please contact Jane in the office.

We've been looking at building your life on solid foundations in Thoughtful Time this week and, as usual, there was an eclectic mix of thoughts and ideas. The children have really taken to Thoughtful Time and it is now one of our most popular parts of the Friday assembly. Again, it's great to hear from the children about the positive role you as parents have in their life.

Just a reminder to be on the look out for a couple of important letters either today or Monday. One is about our fantastic new music provision that the University of Surrey are supporting us with. The other is about our new Parents in Partnership scheme which we are hoping to launch next half term. It only remains for me to say, have a great weekend and we'll catch up next week!

From the PSA....

PSA Summer Fair...It does seem a long time ago now, but after waiting for all expenses to come in etc, we raised just over £3000 at our Summer Fair. Thanks to all who contributed to this magnificent total!

PSA EGM...A reminder of our EGM (Extraordinary General Meeting) on Tuesday 1st November. All welcome to attend!

PSA Quiz Night...We will be holding one of our popular Quiz nights on Friday 11th November. Look out for details and ticket order forms. We would very much like to serve food as usual, however, our regular cooks are unavailable. Is anyone willing to volunteer for this task? The regular cooks will be able to advise you on the details. Please let the office know asap if you are able to help.

Letters sent out this week....



The following letters have been sent out this week..

PSA EGM

Year 5 Football Match - team members only

Year 5 Hydro Drama Workshop - Year 5 only

Sport at QE....

**Netball...Guildford High School U11
Netball Tournament**



This tournament is always a challenge! It included the school who were runners up in the national U11 finals. The thing about QE girls is they never give up and they were rewarded by winning 3 out of 6 games (including an extra time nailbiter against Holy Trinity), drawing one and losing only 2 (one to those national runners up!). We were not in the medals but came out with heads held high. Rebekah was a model Captain and won Most Valuable Player, but everyone played well, deserving those delicious hot sausage rolls GHS provided for tea at the end. Team: Cerys, Emilia, Zoe, Isabelle, Charlotte, Amber, Rebekah, Hannah B.

Mrs McManus

From the School office....

ParentPay...Please note that if both parents would like to EACH receive letters by email, they both need to set up separate accounts with ParentPay otherwise letters will only come through to the parent who has already signed up and the other parent will receive neither an email or paper copy.

Simply SchoolWear update...We have been assured that all outstanding Uniform orders will be cleared within the next 7 days. You don't have to be online to place an order; you can call them on 0800 404 6644.

Secondary School Applications...A reminder that the deadline for completion of secondary schools is Friday 21st October.

Before School Club...



Our new Before School Club is now up and running and we look forward to welcoming new children. If you would like to use the Club, please come and ask for details and a booking form at the School Office. You are welcome to use the club on an ad hoc basis as long as you give us 24 hours notice. The club opens at 7.45am in the top hut at a cost of £2 per morning. Lots of fun activities on offer!

Local Events....

All Saints' Church Bonfire and Fireworks Night

Saturday 5th November



Short fireworks display and bonfire on the church field, Vicarage Gate

Food and mulled wine on sale from 6pm, fireworks start at 6.30pm.

Tickets cost £4 for 14s and over, £2.50 for u14s and 50p for u3s. Tickets are limited and sell out fast! You can get them from Lucy Wallis (302122) or Annie Cox (835951) from 1st October.

Why not order for Christmas from the Kleeneze Catalogue via www.HodasEZEshop.co.uk or telephone Hoda on 01483 565572 or 07984 875960. Hoda will donate 15% of the monetary value of all orders to QE.

Support Staff Training Programme..

Have you ever considered working in your local Primary/ Secondary School, either in an administrative role or in the classroom as a Teaching Assistant? **George Abbot School** are running an innovative 7 week training course which consists of 3 weeks as a taught course and 4 weeks of work experience in our placement schools. Beginning on 23 January 2012 and costing £150, the course aims to give you the necessary skills for a diverse range of support staff roles.



Information Sessions will take place on Tuesday 1 November at 9.45-10.45am and 11.00-12.00pm.

Call Mrs Gerry Newman on 01483 888048 to reserve your place or email gnewman@georgeabbot.surrey.sch.uk

Further details can be also be found on our website www.georgeabbot.surrey.sch.uk.

Wisdom of the Week

MR. DIZZY



Pride comes before a fall

(Proverb 10, 25)

What are the storms in life?