



QE NEWS



QE Diary Dates

AUTUMN

26 –29/11/12	Level 2 Bikeability (Year 6)
26/11/12	Parent Focus Group meeting @7pm
29/11/12	Prospective Parents Coffee Morning @ 9.30am
30/11/12	Day of Difference
4/12/12	Level 2 Bikeability (Year 6)
5/12/12	QE Factor
5/12/12	Mufti Day for the Christmas Fair
7/12/12	PSA Christmas Fair 6-8pm
11/12/12	Carol Service @ Guildford Cathedral 10am, Parents welcome.
12/12/12	School Development Plan eve 7pm
20/12/12	Christmas Lunch for children
20/12/12	Christmas parties pm
21/12 12	Last day of term - 1.45pm finish

SPRING

7/1/13	Start of Spring term
15/2/13	INSET - school closed for children
18/1/13	Class Assembly - 5P @ 2.45pm
1/2/13	Class Assembly - 5W @ 2.45pm
28/3/13	Last day of term - 1.45pm finish

SUMMER

15/4/13	Start of Summer term
6/5/13	Bank Holiday
24/5/12	INSET - school closed for children
1/7/13	INSET- school closed for children

In the post box this week...

This week we have been thinking about bullying and falling out with friends.

Have you ever fallen out with your friends?

Well yes! Everyone has? We fight over the most silly things and the person you have fights with seem to be the person I trust and a close friend.

How did it make you feel?

I felt really annoyed and hurt about what someone said, although we are all as bad as one another.

Have you ever bullied someone?

No, and never want to. I guess I have been nasty to some people but I don't have the perfect life so it does make me get like that when I too lost family.



Beat the Bullies...!



It's been a very interesting and incredibly useful week at QE as we have been following the National Anti-Bullying Week with our own activities. The children have been given a lot of time to reflect on these really important issues and the lessons I have observed in class have been relevant, enjoyable, thought-provoking and also much appreciated by the children. We have balanced out the week with activities on friendship issues, recognising bullying and also giving the children some very real advice on how to cope if things are not going right outside. The picture above is of our PE sessions which have also been related to Anti-Bullying Week. The children were playing team games and had to communicate and cooperate with each other to achieve their shared goal. We have worked a lot on communication and getting on with others this week so it was a really nice way to complement what was going on in the classroom. Later today you will get a letter about changes to our key policies in school which have been reviewed as part of our Anti-Bullying Week. It's really important that you do read them as they contain a lot of changes from our current policies. Mr Day also delivered some much needed e-Safety training so please take some time, if you haven't already, to talk to your children about this.

We also had our Statutory Inspection of Anglican Schools on Wednesday which was a hugely valuable experience. It's a bit like the Diocese version of Ofsted but it's not Ofsted. It went very well and we are really looking forward to the report which will be available to us in 10 working days' time. It will be posted on the website and you will all get a paper copy. It has left us with lots of really good actions to put in place but I was so pleased to see the vision and ethos of the school so clearly described by the children, teachers, Governors and parents that the Inspector spoke to.

You will also have had a Day of Difference letter today. Please can you make sure it's returned by Monday. We hope you have a great weekend!

Mr Blackburn & The QE Staff

From the PSA....

PSA Christmas Fair...Please look out for the letter being sent home today. We still need lots of help to make the Fair a success so please let us know via the reply slip, if you can help in any way.

Save your Textiles...QE PSA will be running a 'Phil the Bag' after Christmas, so please save any fabrics including shoes, bags, curtains and clothes in any condition. Good quality items go to third world countries, while the rest is recycled, but the company pays the school for the weight of fabrics donated. Look out for more information.

From the School office....

Day of Difference.. You will today receive a letter listing the activities available for your child to take part in on the Day of Difference next Friday. Please talk to your child over the weekend about their choices and complete the attached slip. Please return the slip first thing on Monday.

A Day at the Races...We have been given a small number of tickets for The Tingle Creek Festival at Sandown Park Racecourse on Saturday 8th December. Children under 18 can go free, so if you would like some tickets, please come to the office. Tickets will be given out on a strictly first come, first served basis.

Christmas Lunch...Please note that we can take no more orders for the Christmas lunch on the 21st December as our Catering Manager has now placed her food order.

Letters sent out this week....

Day of Difference - help required

PSA Christmas Fair - more info and appeal for help

Day of Difference - choices

Update to Key School Policies



Local Events...



**Guildford County School
Christmas Fair
Friday 23rd November 6-8.30pm**



Craft & Gift Stalls

Mulled Wine & Mince Pies

Tombolas

Fun & Games for all the Family

Delicious Hot Food

Raffle

Sport at QE....

Cross Country

Our Cross Country team took part in a race at Tillingbourne school yesterday afternoon. The conditions were less than favourable, with high winds and lots of mud after the rain of the last few days.

The race got off to a very fast start; a little too fast for some of the children from other schools, who ended up walking part of the way! QE children are made of sterner stuff and all of them RAN the whole race.

A huge "Well Done" to all our team with special mentions to Eleanor M who came 3rd for the girls and to Joseph D who came 10th for the boys.

Football & Netball

Our Year 6 Football team were scheduled to play against Holy Trinity on Wednesday and our Netball teams were due to play at Tormead on the same day. Unfortunately these matches were all cancelled due to the bad weather conditions.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH CHRISTMAS MARKET

**Saturday 24th November 3 -6pm at All Saints' Church,
Vicarage Gate.**

Come and enjoy some pre-Christmas shopping at our indoor and outdoor market. Lots of gifts, cards, raffle, tombola and refreshments. The church choir will sing at 3.30pm and 5pm, the Hand Bell team will play at 4pm (and then you can have a go!). There is also an opportunity to make an advent candle decoration, some deco-patch decorations and follow the trail to Father Christmas. All welcome!



Tingle Creek Christmas Festival - Sat 8th Dec Sandown Racecourse, Esher

The Tingle Creek Christmas Festival is a festive jump racing tradition, attracting the sport's leading horses and jockeys to Sandown Park. The Saturday, Sportingbet Tingle Creek Chase Day, is the pinnacle of our jump season, featuring the Grade 1 Sportingbet Tingle Creek Chase, which is named after one of the most famous horses of the 1970's.

Off the track, the Saturday offers plenty of complimentary festive cheer for all the family including traditional sleigh rides from Esher station, Santa's Grotto, Christmas games and a live Sleeping Beauty pantomime – there's even a prize for the child with the best panto outfit! Enjoy a unique book signing opportunity with popular children's author Ian Whybrow too. Enquiries: 01372 464348

STICKS & STONES

*'Sticks and stones may
break my bones, but words
will never hurt me'*