

QE Diary Dates

13/10/14	Prospective Parents' Tour
15/10/14	Parents' Evening
22/10/14	Prospective Parents' Tour
23/10/14	Year 6 Egyptian Day
24/10/14	6CD Class Assembly
24/10/14	PSA Disco
27-31/10/14	Half Term
03-07/11/14	Year 6 Bikeability Level 2
03/11/14	Prospective Parents' Tour
07/11/14	Hotdog Sale
10-14/11/14	Year 6 Bikeability Level 2
12/11/14	Prospective Parents' Tour-Headteacher Tour
14/11/14	5P Class Assembly
14/11/14	PSA Quiz Night (change of date)
17-21/11/14	Friendship Week
18/11/14	Prospective Parents' Tour
21/11/14	6CS Class Assembly
24/11/14	Parent Focus Group
27/11/14	Prospective Parents' Coffee Morning
28/11/14	Day of Difference
03/12/14	QE Factor pm
04/12/14	Prospective Parents' Tour-Headteacher Tour
08/12/14	Carol Service (Cathedral)
10/12/14	Prospective Parents' Tour
11/12/14	Children's Christmas Lunch
11/12/14	Sharing Successful Maths
12/12/14	PSA Christmas Fair
18/12/14	Children's Christmas Parties
19/12/14	Last Day of Autumn Term - 1.15 finish
05/01/15	Start of Spring Term
09/01/15	Prospective Parents' Tour
09/01/15	Year 3 Trip to Butser
13/01/15	PSA Meeting, 7.30pm
27/01/15	Young Voices Concert
13/02/15	Inset Day
16-20/02/15	Half Term Week
17-20/03/15	Year 4 Residential Trip to Ironbridge
21/03/15	PSA Bingo Night
23-25/03/15	Year 3 Residential Trip to Hooke Court
27/03/15	Last Day of Spring Term - 1.15pm finish
13/04/15	Start of Summer Term
22/04/15	Class & Sports Team Photographs
04/05/15	Bank Holiday
07/05/15	Polling Day - School Closed
19-22/05/15	Year 5 Residential Trip to France
20/06/15	PSA Summer Fair
26/06/15	Inset Day
25-29/05/15	Half Term Week
06-10/07/15	Year 6 Residential Trip to Little Canada
17/07/15	Last Day of Summer Term - 1.15 finish
20/07/15	Inset Day
21/07/15	Inset Day

QE NEWS

An academy in the Good Shepherd Trust

Fear of the unknown.....

We have been thinking about fear this week in our assembly theme with our Hero of the Week being the war poet Wilfred Owen. He had a very fearful time when serving in the First World War and the children were told how the support from his fellow soldiers helped him overcome his fear of fighting. The children's Thoughtful Time responses reflected their fears in life. As you can imagine we had everything from spiders to clowns to the inevitable fear of what happens to us at the end of our lives. That's the power of Thoughtful Time for me, it gives the children time and space to think spiritually about themselves and to ponder important questions about all of our lives. We are currently developing a values based system for assembly that will integrate with our current themes that should start after Christmas. The revised Ofsted framework puts a lot of emphasis on how we, as a school, prepare children for life in modern Britain and we feel this will help us to address this very open ended target. We will be writing to you over the next half term and sharing with you our thoughts on how we deliver this and as usual your feedback is very welcome.

We are rapidly approaching the Christmas Fayre and this year the PSA are going to produce a calendar. This will be very similar in quality to the type you would buy in the shops and will be created from pictures taken of each class. We are in need of a photographer so if you are able to volunteer some time to come in and take the pictures we would really appreciate that. This is something I did in a previous school and it was very popular with parents and children alike. If you are able to help, please speak to Liz Godfrey or Jo Sellen or contact the school office.

Can I give you all a reminder as well about our fantastically unpredictable British weather and coats. We had a very mixed period of weather on Thursday and many of the children were not properly attired. We will always try our best to keep the children outside but they do need to have a waterproof rain coat to use.

Also, my final reminder that it is parents evening next Wednesday (15th October) so please return your slip asap if you haven't done so already. Have a great weekend.

Mr Blackburn & the QE Staff

In the post box this week we have been thinking about overcoming fear...



What fears do you have?

Sometimes I fear growing up because I don't want to. I am also scared of clowns and spiders a little bit.

How do you overcome them?

I have felt fear when I have heard of all the hard things you have to do in secondary school.

Owen faced his fear with his friends. Who helps you and how?

My parents normally help me with my fear by reassuring me. **Carroll - Year 6**

What fears do you have?

I have a fear of china dolls because when I was young I had a tiny playroom full of china dolls and ever since I've been scared of their beady eyes that just stare at you and creeps you out!

How do you overcome them?

I never want to see a china doll so I never want to conquer my fear and never will because why would you not want to be scared of those things?

Owen faced his fear with his friends. Who helps you and how?

Nobody helps me because I don't want them to help me. **Wey - Year 6**

Letters sent out this week....

- ◇ Parents Evening
- ◇ PSA Disco
- ◇ Y3 Residential to Hooke Court payment schedule
- ◇ PSA QE Quiz & Chilli night



TOOL OF THE WEEK

SCAFFOLDING AND ROPES



How do you overcome your fears?

PSA

Dates for the diary

October 24th Disco

November 14th Quiz Night

December 12th Christmas Fayre

Please could everyone put aside some **empty jam jars** for the Jolly Jam Jar stall for the Christmas Fayre..



**We are looking for some help...
Photographer needed to take
photos of each class for the PSA
calendar.**

If you would like any more information, have any fundraising ideas or would like to help at an event please have a chat to Liz Godfrey or Jo Sellen.

Sport



QE Y6 teams had fantastic matches this week against St Joseph's. The A team swapped positions every quarter and we had 6 different shooters who all scored goals. The B team played a consistently good game with Rebecca doing particularly well at Centre.

Results:

A team won 22-0 (twenty two)

B team won 9-1

Vacancies....



Midday Supervisor 12.10 - 1.10 pm
Monday to Friday, term time only. Come and join the team at Queen Eleanor's School.

For this post, please contact Sarah Mackenzie on 01483 561323.

From the School Office....

Cancellation of Clubs... Now that the weather has changed we are more likely to need to cancel a club at the last minute. We immediately put this information on the website ticker and send out a ParentPay notification. We ask parents/carers to call or email the office to confirm receipt of the message and provide alternative pick up arrangements.

Lost Property... We have a big pile of unnamed uniform which is growing on a daily basis. If any uniform is unclaimed by the end of half term it will be recycled.

Parking... Please be mindful when dropping your children off at school that you park considerately. On a number of occasions cars have parked on the yellow zig zags and up on the kerbs outside the school.

Uniform... Please remember to name your child's school uniform. If you have written the name in on the label, please check after washing that it hasn't faded.

School Dinner Money... The daily cost is to £2.10, the weekly amount is £10.50 and the amount for this half term is £79.80.

Swimming/PE Kit... Please make sure that your child's swimming/PE kit are in school all week. I'm afraid we cannot call home if your child has forgotten it.

ParentPay... This is a quick and convenient way to receive letters from QE and to also pay for trips, clubs etc online. If you have not already signed up for this service and would like to do so, please come to the office for more details. Using ParentPay also greatly reduces the amount of paper used in school.

Residentials... Ironbridge is now full. Hooke Court is also full and the payment plan has now been sent out.

Scooters/Bikes... Please note that the scooters/bikes are to be parked under the gazebo whilst the building work taking place.

Lunches... Please note that the office needs a week's notice to change your child's lunch pattern. If your child is going to change to school dinners or packed lunches after half term we will need to know by Monday 20th October.

Many thanks

Local Events....



October Tennis Camps at Charterhouse Club

Specialist tennis camps for children from 5 to 15 years of age will be taking place at The Charterhouse Club during the October half term holidays. The camps are organised by Premier Tennis, who coach tennis classes for all ages in schools and clubs of Andy Murray. Places for the full camp are normally £159 per person but will cost just £139 for QE friends and family when booked before 15th October. The camps run from 10am to 4pm each day during October Half Term. If you would like to request a place, please email hello@premiertennis.co.uk.