

QE NEWS

Autumn Term - Issue 5 13/10/2017

Stressful.....!

House Point Total

This week's house point totals are.....

Wey2147

Abbot2151

Castle1883

Carroll2090

Our assembly theme this week has been about how we cope with stress. Dealing with strong emotions is an important life lesson and one which the children recognise as being key to not only their life in school but their lives at home too. The pressure in schools at the moment is incredibly intense as I am sure it is with many of your jobs, with more and more expected of us with fewer and fewer resources available to support the work we do. This was very much the theme of our parents focus group meeting on Wednesday where we discussed the school's next School Development Plan (SDP). The SDP is the main document for our ongoing improvement and development of the school and is a vital part of our onwards journey to outstanding. This is a key part of my vision for QE and is something I will be talking to you about a lot more in the run up to Christmas. If you weren't able to make the meeting, you can contribute your views via the SDP consultation letter which went out today. We are setting a very tight deadline of a week for this to be returned as we want the SDP finished by half term. If you are able to complete the questionnaire please can we have it by next Thursday.

Today was also our learning styles day where we focused very much on values. The work the Governors are doing on the values of the school marries well with the Christian values we looked at during our sessions today. We have picked four key values and I hope the children should be able to tell you all about them when they come home! This is important work for us as we come into the second part of the term where we will have our church version of an Ofsted inspection.

You will all now be aware of the PSA firework evening which is taking place on Wednesday 1st November. We are really hoping this event proves to be a huge success and that you are all able to attend. It promises to be a fantastic evening and thank you to the PSA for planning the event. I am also very pleased to see the PSA quiz has sold out which is great; you are in for a fabulous evening! The PSA are still looking for volunteers to help with the Christmas Fayre so please contact the office if you are available to help.

Lastly, thank you very much to those of you who spoke to your children about not scootering on the school site. We do still have a few children on the Year 3 and 4 side who are scooting onsite. Please can you remind your children they cannot scooter on the school site. We cannot allow this to make sure everyone is safe. Have a great weekend!

Mr Blackburn & the QE Staff

Thoughtful Time....

This week in Thoughtful Time we have been thinking about how we cope with stress.....

- Do you get wound up easily?**
Not really but I seem to get wound up easily when my sister teases me, but with others, as I'm a nice, easy going person, I just let it build up which does annoy me.
- How do you cope with stress?**
Well I don't get stressed that much, only really when I find homework hard, that stresses me out a bit, but I cope by thinking that I have lots of teachers and my parents who care and they help.
- Is it ever ok to lose it?**
Yes because if you didn't it just starts building up and if you don't let it out I find it makes me worry more and it makes me feel sick.
Castle, Year 5
- Do you get wound up easily?**
No, because I'm usually calm but when I'm with my mum I'm not.
- How do you cope with stress?**
How I cope with stress is very simple. The answer is....I don't!
- Is it ever ok to lose it?**
Yes because it makes us human.
Abbot, Year 5



Weekly value

Our theme for this week's values is.....

Responsibility

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STOP PRESS

GIVE PEACE

DO YOU HELP OTHERS
STAY CALM?

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CLUBS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Magic, Chess, Drama (Years 3,4 & 5), Football (Years 5&6), Netball (Year 6)	Running (Years 3&4), Yoga, Hockey, Swimming (Y3), Dodgeball (Years 5&6)	Judo, Basketball (Years 5&6), Art, Dodgeball (Years 3&4), Maths	Cookery, Drama (Years 4, 5&6), Multi-sports, Sewing, Netball (Year 5), Pottery, Swimming (Y4)	Running (Years 5&6), Sewing, Football (Years 3&4), Cookery, Orchestra, Swimming (Y5&6)

QE Diary Dates

Next Week

17/10/17	Years 3&5 Harvest Festival am
18/10/17	Years 4&6 Harvest Festival am
19/10/17	Year 5 Trip to Natural History Museum
19/10/17	Prospective Parents' Tour 1.30pm
19/10/17	PSA Disco
20/10/17	Inset Day
23-27/10/17	Half Term

Next Few Weeks

01/11/17	PSA Fireworks Evening
01/11/17	Prospective Parents' Tour 9.30am
1-3/11/17	Year 5 Bikeability
02/11/17	Year 6 Egyptian Day
06/11/17	Prospective Parents' Tour 1.30pm
06/11/17	Sharing Successful Maths 7.00pm

PSA

Dates for your diary...

* Thursday 19th October	Disco
* Wednesday 1st November	Fireworks
* Friday 17th November	Quiz & Chill night
* Friday 8th December	Christmas Fayre

The PSA is now in need of volunteers to assist on a Christmas Fayre Committee, the roll involves attending circa four evening meetings between now and December to co-ordinate and organise the event. If you are interested please email Howard Moss at hfmoss@aol.com

TA Vacancy

1:1 Classroom Teaching Assistant (TA) – Key Stage 2

Start date:	January 2018
Salary:	(SP3): £15,307 - £17,316 pro rata per annum, Full Time Equivalent
Hours:	Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 3.15pm, term time only.
Contract :	Fixed Term 1 Year

Queen Eleanor's is seeking to appoint a Teaching Assistant to work in partnership with our Teachers, and under direction from our SENCO, to provide additional support to our pupils. We are a popular local Junior School and are recruiting for TAs to join our fantastic team from January 2018. We are looking for someone who is enthusiastic, adaptable, and willing to work hard in order to encourage our pupils' success. Previous school experience is necessary and energy, flexibility and a sense of humour are pre-requisites for this role. You will become a key member of our friendly and highly committed staff.

We are looking for someone who:

Has recent experience of working with Primary aged children
Understands and supports pupil social emotional wellbeing
Is committed to making learning fun, relevant and enjoyable
Has good numeracy and literacy skills
Is a good communicator and works well in a team

We can offer:

Children who love learning
Friendly and supportive staff and a committed governing body
Excellent resources.

Applications should be made using the attached form (CVs are not acceptable). Completed applications can be emailed to admin@queen-eleanors.surrey.sch.uk

Closing date: Monday 30th October, 2017 at midday.

Interviews: Monday 6th November, 2017.

FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE....

Important Info

- After Half Term we will no longer be accepting the old £1 coins. We will return any back to you should we receive them.
- If you haven't already returned your Year 3&4 flu immunisation form please can you sign it and send it back. Please return it signed even if you do not wish your child to have the vaccination.

Residentials....

- * Ironbridge second instalment of £45 is due by (today) 13th October.
- * Normandy second instalment of £84 is due by 20th October.
- * Little Canada first instalment of £71 is due by (today) 13th October.

Many thanks

We will be selling Poppies after Half Term in the Playground during break and lunchtimes.

Minimum donation of 20p.

As the office is very busy, we will not be selling them over the hatch during the day.



Letters Sent home

- * Harvest Festival
- * PSA Firework Night
- * PSA Quiz Sold Out
- * Parents' Evening Letter
- * Day of Difference
- * End of Year Parental Survey Summary
- * School Development Planning Consultation



Office Assistant Vacancy

Start Date: November 2017
Salary: Surrey 3, £15,308- £17,316 per annum pro rata
8.30am – 4.45pm, Monday -Thursdays, term-time only

We are looking to appoint a welcoming, organised and friendly person to join our busy and successful Office Team. The office is at the heart of our school and we believe this key post will continue to maintain and build on our successes and help us to develop for the future.

The successful candidate must demonstrate a professional approach with excellent communication and organisational skills. The applicant should be highly proficient with Microsoft packages, including Excel and Word and be able to demonstrate good numerical skills. The applicant should have the ability to manage a range of varied tasks, provide administrative support to the school and be a key point of contact for pupils, parents, staff and visitors. Experience of working in a school setting and cash handling would be an advantage.

Queen Eleanor's is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, and the successful applicant will be subject to satisfactory DBS clearance. The successful candidate will also need to undergo first aid training in order to provide basic first aid to pupils and staff.

Closing date for applications: Monday, 16th October 2017, midday
Interviews: Friday, 20th October 2017