



QE NEWS



QE Diary Dates

Spring Term

22/01/14	School Development Planning Evening - 7.30pm
24/01/14	Class Assembly - 5W - 2.40pm
31/01/14	Young Voices Concert (O2 Arena)
07/02/14	Class Assembly - 3C - 2.40pm
07/02/14	PSA Disco
12/02/14	QE Quiz (Children's House Competition)
14/02/14	Inset Day
17-21/02/14	Half Term Week
24-28/02/14	Citizenship Week
03-05/03/14	Year 3 Residential Trip to Hooke Court
07/03/14	Class Assembly - 4K - 2.40pm
12/03/14	Parents' Evening
12-13/03/14	Year 5 Bikeability
14/03/14	Day of Difference
14/03/14	PSA Cake Sale Year 4
19/03/14	Easter Pause Day
19/03/14	Music Festival 2014 at G Live 7.00pm
21/03/14	Class Assembly - 5P - 2.40pm
21/03/14	Sport Relief

In the post box this week we have been thinking about being special...

Do you think you are an ordinary person?

No because everyone is different so in this case ordinary does not mean anything.

Who do you think is the most amazing person in the world?

Nelson Mandela because he was the person who brought black and white people together.

What is special about you and who knows it?

I have not discovered what is special about me yet but maybe someone else knows it

Castle, Year 6

Do you think you are an ordinary person?

No I am VERY different but I am not saying why :)

Who do you think is the most amazing person in the world?

My best friend because she's nice, kind and everything you could wish for.

What is special about you and who knows it?

If we said, it would be less special!

Carroll, Year 4



Happy New Year!



That was some firework show, wasn't it? What a fabulous start to 2014! We have hit the ground running at QE this week. The children have settled back really well and have begun their new topics for this term. We have a lot of amazing opportunities coming up in the Spring so keep your eyes peeled for all of our dates and events this term.

I hope you all had a very relaxing holiday. It felt like a really long time to me and I managed to really relax, I hope you all did too. I spent Christmas with my brother who lives in Manchester and is a parcel courier. I told the children in assembly it was a bit like being Santa especially when we delivered to a house where a young lad was sat by the door waiting for a Christmas present to arrive. It was a lovely moment and made my Christmas a lot happier.

We have started a new assembly theme this term called 'Bee Attitudes'. It's based on bees, obviously, and Jesus's sermon on the mount. The bee theme is proving very popular with the children and next week we will be joined in assembly by two special visitors! I think we could give Monty Python a run for their money with this assembly theme and I can't wait for our first assembly with our special guests. This week we have been thinking about what makes us special and who knows it. The children's Thoughtful Times were great as usual but many feel they have yet to discover what is special about them. Let's hope that changes by the time we get to the end of this term.

I want to take this opportunity to apologise to those of you who were upset to receive a Pupil Attendance letter at the end of last term. I did send a policy update letter and asked for all parents to read it as it contained a lot of important information. One of those pieces of information was about the letters that we send out at the end of each term if a child's attendance falls below 95% or 90% respectively. I think many of you received these letters who had not had one previously and were unclear as to why they were sent out. It is a standard Surrey letter which we send out on the advice of the County's Educational Welfare Officer who monitors attendance at our school. At this stage of the year, a few days off can trigger one of these letters and even though it may be genuine sickness, we still have to send them as they are stipulated in our policy. I hope that explains the lack of personal touch in the letter.

It only remains for me to hope the weather improves and you have a great weekend.
Mr Blackburn & the QE Staff

From the PSA....

Happy New Year from the PSA!

This term there are a couple of events to look out for...



PSA Disco (Friday 7th February 2014) - This ever-popular event will be taking place again for both Years 3 & 4 and Years 5 & 6. Letters will come out closer to the time.



PSA Cake Sale (Friday 14th March 2014) - It will Year 4's turn to provide some scrumptious cakes for the sale. Please come and support the event by purchasing some of the yummy offerings!

Letters sent out this week....

All Saints' Church Holiday Club

Year 5 Residential Trip to France payment schedule, medical forms and consent forms (for those already signed up)

Change of date for Class 5W assembly (to 5W parents only)

Guildford Schools' Music Festival 2014

Young Voices Concert (O2 Arena)



QE SDP Evening....

An early reminder that it would be great to have as many parents as possible at our School Development Planning Evening on Wednesday 22nd January 2014.

This will be held in the School Hall at 7.30pm.

From the School Office....

After School Clubs... There is one space now available for Gymkatz. Please email Emma Tappenden at: emmatappenden@yahoo.co.uk if you are interested.

There are also a few outstanding payments due for this term's clubs. Please can you ensure prompt payment if you have not already done so.

Morning Sports Clubs... Further to Wednesday's judo demonstration in assembly, if anyone else is interested in joining Wednesday's judo morning sports club, please contact the office. There are also a few spaces available for Tuesday morning's yoga club and one space on Monday's Archery Club.

5W Class Assembly Date Change... 5W's Class Assembly has had to change from Friday 31st January to the week before. The Class Assembly will now take place on Friday 24th January. Sincere apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Dinner money... A reminder that dinner money due for this half term was £59.45. There are still a few outstanding balances. Please can you settle these as soon as possible. If you are unsure about your current balance, please contact the Office.

Many thanks and a Happy New Year from the QE Office!

Local Events....

'Adventure Cruise' Holiday Club... will run on Monday 17th & Tuesday 18th February 2014 at All Saints' Church Hall, Vicarage Gate, Onslow Village, GU2 7QJ 9.30 am—12.15 pm each day (You will need to attend both days). If you are in years 3, 4 & 5, come and find out about characters from the Bible and how their encounters with Jesus changed their lives and how to get on board with Jesus!

Year 6 will be doing different activities this year. In addition to the above, a trip to the climbing wall at Surrey Sports Park and a treasure hunt has been arranged! We will need a charge of £7 per child in total for this activity only, this will cover both days. Please enclose your money with your application form (cheques payable to 'All Saints Church Guildford'. Application forms were sent out (via Parentpay / paper copy to those not signed up) earlier this week.



'Stars at Clandon'... on Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th January, 6-8pm. Join us for an evening of stargazing at Clandon. Indoor and outdoor activities with expert advice. Shop and restaurant open. Adult £2, Child £1

Family Classics—Fun with music!... Southern Pro Musica at G Live. Sunday 26th January 2014 at 3pm. Tickets available online from: GLive.co.uk or by phone: 0844 7701 797. Adults £12 (one free child ticket with every purchased adult ticket!)

Midday Supervisor Vacancy....

At Queen Eleanor's School

12.10 - 1.10pm, Monday to Friday, term time only.

Come and join our friendly team, supervising the children during lunchtime.

For further details and an application form, please contact Sarah Mackenzie on 01483 561323.



BEE ATTITUDES

BEE SPECIAL

DO YOU LIKE YOU?

*Happy are the poor in spirit
for the kingdom of heaven is theirs.*