



QE NEWS



QE Diary Dates

Spring Term

28/03/14	Class Assembly - 3H - 2.40pm
28/03/14	Year 5 Enterprise Sale
31/03-03/04/14	Year 6 Mock SATs
04/04/14	Last day of Spring Term finishing 1.15pm

Coming up in the Summer Term...

22/04/14	Start of Summer Term
02/05/14	Inset Day
05/05/14	Bank Holiday
07-09/05/14	Year 5 Residential Trip to France
12-16/05/14	SATs
16/05/14	Class Assembly 3E 2.40pm
20/05/14	Year 6 Visit to London
22/05/14	Polling Day—School Closed
26-30/05/14	Half Term Week
18/06/14	Sports Day
19/06/14	PSA Summer Fayre Mufti Day
21/06/14	PSA Summer Fayre
25/06/14	Sports Day if 18/06 is wet
30/06/14	Inset Day
1-2/7/14	Year 6 Transition Days for George Abbot and Kings College
02/07/14	Year 6 Transition Day for Guildford County
02/07/14	Class Changes & Year 2 Transition Day
02/07/14	Year 6 Production 7.30 pm
03/07/14	District Sports
03/07/14	Year 6 Production 7.30 pm

Amazing Ironbridge.....!



I am writing this as the children are preparing to return home from the Year 4 trip to Ironbridge. It has made me think a lot this week about the new curriculum and about the importance of experiences like this for the children. We all know some children do not thrive in a classroom environment and residential trips like this are an opportunity for them to shine which some of them have certainly taken! It has been great to see the children really enjoy themselves but also learn a lot at the same time. If you haven't been to Blists Hill I thoroughly recommend it. It is a great experience. If we become an academy, we will have the freedom to teach our own curriculum which is one of the main selling points for us, as staff. I know you will be aware that we are having a meeting on Wednesday 2nd April, at 3.20-4.15 pm & 7.00-7.45 pm, when you can find out more about why we think academy status is right for the school.

We have continued our calm theme in school this week and it's hard to think that we only have one week left. I am not sure if you are planning to go away but I have a fun-filled trip to Manchester planned which includes taking two very lucky girls for their first skiing lesson as well as a tour of the Coronation Street set. I am looking forward to a really relaxing break which I know many of the children need as it has been a long term and they have worked really hard and deserve a good rest.

I am very hopeful the Parent Progress Gateway may now be mended and will be checking it over the holiday. If you are a Year 3 parent you will be getting a letter that explains what the PPG is and how it works. Let's hope that it's the end of the minor issues we have been having!

We had Year 6 Speedwatch this week as well and it is always a real eye opener for the children. I hope none of you got caught by the Year 6 children... I know they took it very seriously indeed. That leads me nicely into another moan about parking outside school. Please be more considerate when you are dropping off and picking up.

Lastly, the plans for the new build are on the school website so please have a glance if you have not had time so far. As I said last week we are very happy with them and we are looking forward to the building work actually starting. I think that's it for now. I hope you all have a great weekend. Until next week. Mr Blackburn & The QE Staff.



From the PSA....

Family Bingo Night... We had a full house, (pardon the Bingo pun)! The evening was a great success. Thank you to all of you who bought tickets and also to the many helpers that made the event possible. Details about how much we raised will follow next week!

PSA Summer Fayre... Saturday 21st June, save the date! More details to follow.

PSA Summer Fayre Donations—Mufti Day... This will take place on **Thursday 19th June**. A letter requesting donations from each year group will come out closer to the time.

Letters sent out this week....

Year 5 Enterprise Sale
Industrial Action & Club Changes Reminder
Before School Club Booking Forms (to regular users)



Sport....



Reading FC v Burnley FC at Madejski Stadium on Saturday 3rd May, KO 12.15 pm. Prices, Adults £15, Children £5. This exclusive package offers special discounted ticket prices for you and your family whilst providing funds for the school.



Looking for something to keep the kids amused in the Easter holidays? We think we can help! We have donutting sessions, skiing courses, open practice skiing, and snowboarding taster sessions available throughout the Easter break.

Follow the link for full details
<http://ccski.co.uk/new/easter-holiday-activities-2/>, and email us at info@ccski.co.uk for more information or to book.



Surrey Storm's Junior Roadshow is taking place on Sunday 27th April from 10.00-1.00 pm at Frensham Heights School, Farnham, Surrey, GU10 4EA. This is led by Surrey Storm players and coaches. The Road show will include: Quality Coaching, Fun Challenges, Match Play, Q&A Sessions with the players, Prizes and Merchandise.

Road Safety Consultation....

Please find below a link to the Surrey CC website (*link also available via the 'Latest News' page on the QE website*) where a consultation is taking place regarding road safety outside schools. If you have a few moments, your response would be very welcome.

<http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads-and-transport-policies-plans-and-consultations/roads-and-transport-consultations/roads-and-transport-consultations-in-surrey/consultation-on-speed-limit-and-road-safety-outside-schools-policies>

From the School Office....

Becoming an Academy... We are having a consultation meeting on Wednesday, 2nd April. This will run in two sessions; one from 3.20pm until about 4.15pm and a second session that will run from 7.00pm until 7.45pm.

Year 5 France Residential Meeting... Please note there will be a meeting on Thursday 3rd April in 5W straight after school.

Year 6 Condoover Hall... We still have a number of outstanding amounts for the Year 6 Condoover Hall trip. The final payment was due on 24th March, please can you make the last payment asap. If you are unsure of the amount you need to pay, please contact the office.

Summer Term Clubs... Please don't forget that the deadline for getting your Summer Term club letters in is on **Monday 31st March**. If any of the clubs are over subscribed, names will then be drawn out of a hat. Any applications received after this date will be dealt with on a first come, first served basis, depending on availability.

Easter Dodgeball/Multi-Sports Club... If you have not filled in your Easter Dodgeball and Multi Sports Club slip please can you do this by Tuesday 1st April. There are still space available.

Dinner money for next term... A statement of account will come out next week along with details of next term's dinner money amounts.

Before School Club... A statement of account will come out next week. Booking forms were sent out to regular users this week. However, the booking forms are also available on the school website ('Useful Information' - 'Clubs' - 'Before School Club') or from the school office.

Tissues... The children are getting through a large amount of tissues at the moment. We would really appreciate a donation of a box of tissues for your child's class.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers... From **Sunday 23rd March until Saturday 5th April**, Sainsbury's customers will receive an extra 5 bonus Active Kids vouchers when they buy 5 or more items of fresh fruit or vegetables.

Plant Sale Orders... Just a reminder that our sale of Summer Plants & Baskets is now taking place and order forms are due in by Friday 25th April. The school makes 30% profit on all sales! If you need another order form please contact the school office.

Reminders... Next week is Year 6 Mock SATs and we finish the term on **Friday 4th April at 1.15pm**.

Many Thanks

Local Events....



Special Families Support Group.... Do you have a child with special needs? Come along to our group. April to December 2014. Main meetings every 2nd Tuesday of the month in term time at 10.00 am—11.30 am @ St Saviour's Church Centre, Woodbridge Road, Guildford, GU1 4QD, 01483 455333, email: www.specialfamilies.info



Safeguard are celebrating their 90th Anniversary with a Charity Open Day on Saturday 29th March (10.00am—4.00pm). There will be: children's activities; heritage bus rides; barbecues; a chance to go behind the scenes of the new London Routemaster and much, much more. The event is hoping to raise a lot of money for Great Ormond Street Hospital & British Heart Foundation. We hope to see as many of you as possible at Ridgmount Garage in Guildford Park Road, Guildford! Please come and support these worthwhile causes.



Free Music Workshops and Performances at G Live on the 6th April, 2-6pm. There will be a range of DJ Workshops, Rock Band Workshops, Music Careers Advice, Singing Workshops, Performances, Percussion Workshops, Guitar, Bass, Drums, Keyboard Tuition and much, much more.

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