



QE NEWS



QE Diary Dates

Spring Term

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
*25/02/14	Year 4 Ironbridge Information Evening *
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
24-25/03/14	Year 6 Speedwatch
25-28/03/14	Year 4 Residential Trip to Ironbridge
28/03/14	Class Assembly - 3H - 2.40pm
31/03-03/04/14	Year 6 Mock SATs
04/04/14	Last day of Spring Term finishing 1.15pm

In the post box this week we have been thinking about whether we are kind to others...

Are you a kind person?

I try to be kind but I don't think people know and they ignore me.

When were you last kind?

Yesterday when my mum wasn't feeling very well I brought her some water.

Is it easier to be cruel or kind?

I don't know, I know I can be both. I never know when I'm kind or cruel.

Abbot, Year 3

Are you a kind person?

It depends what mood I'm in because if I'm in a good mood I'm normally kind but if I'm in a bad mood I'm normally grumpy.

When were you last kind?

Today when I got a yoghurt for my brother because he couldn't reach.

Is it easier to be cruel or kind?

It's easier to be kind because you get a reward so then you will carry on doing it but if you are mean you will go through the stages of telling off.

Carroll, Year 5

What a performance.....!



What a fantastic performance we had at the O2 last week. The concert was amazing and the children were incredible too. They made us all very proud and their behaviour was superb despite a six hour rehearsal and wait between arriving and the concert starting. The Young Voices is something new for QE that Miss Hines brought with her and I know the children will join me in thanking her for all of the time and effort she put in to making this a once in a lifetime experience for the children. Miss Hines's dad even made the banner we had! I also want to thank the PSA for paying for that as it helped a lot of parents find us in the crowd. There were over 7,500 children in the arena that night and you could certainly hear it during the pop medley. We also made it onto YouTube. If you search for Young Voices 2014 Friday and go above 2 minutes in, you'll spot a very tired and grumpy looking Headteacher.....Not sure who that could be?

This week we have been thinking about being kind which has come at an opportune time as we have had quite a few incidents this week of children being very unkind to each other. Let's hope everyone takes a deep breath at the weekend and we don't see any of that behaviour repeated next week as that will be a sad way to end this half term. As usual, I have set the children a weekly challenge to be kind to someone they don't know this week. I hope we get a lot of hands up when I ask the children how successful they have been on Monday!

It's the disco tonight and I bet the children are very excited. I know we are all looking forward to it. Can I just remind you to drop your children at the main entrance to get in and collect them via the hall at the end.

We have so far had 20 responses on the SDP questionnaire with Year 4 the clear leader so far. We are closing the survey on Friday 14th February so please pop on line and fill one in if you haven't already. It can be found on our 'Latest News' webpage.

I have seen a rather depressing weather report for the weekend which I hope turns out to be incorrect. Whatever you do, have a rest and I will catch up with you next week.

Mr Blackburn & The QE Staff



From the PSA....

PSA Disco (TODAY! - Friday 7th February 2014)



Years 3 and 4 [6.00-7.00pm]
Years 5 and 6 [7.15-8.45pm]

Disco drop off - please wait with your child(ren) outside the reception until the front doors open.

Disco pick up – please wait outside the green gates until they are unlocked at the end of the disco, then collect child(ren) from the side of the hall at the French windows.

If you have children at more than one disco, **please collect the younger child(ren) from the side of the hall first**, before dropping older child(ren) at the front.

Please take coats home after dropping off your child(ren) at the disco.



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

PSA Meeting... Thank you to all of you who attended the PSA Meeting on 29th January. There are lots of exciting events to plan for. Please watch this space for further details...

Letters sent out this week....

Year 5/6 Football Match—selected pupils
BSC booking form—regular attendees
Morning Sports Clubs



Year 3 Hooke Court—Chase Ups

Year 5 French Trip—Chase Ups

Guildford Schools Music Festival (G Live) - Tickets and arrangements - (Choir)

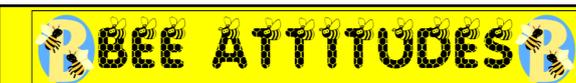
Guildford Schools Music Festival (G Live) - Tickets and arrangements - (Orchestra)

Sport....



Netball... Two Y5 teams played St Teresa's at home last week. I was very proud of how they played—with enthusiasm, energy and skill. Both teams did well and I can't pick anyone out this time—everyone was good!

Results: A Team won 5-0



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FOR THEY SHALL RECEIVE MERCY

From the School Office....

Dinner money... There are still a handful of outstanding balances. Please can you settle these as soon as possible before half term. Account statements and money for next half term will come out next week. The total amount due for next half term is £61.50 (Year 3 attending Hooke Court - £55.35; and Year 4 attending Ironbridge - £53.30). If you are unsure about your current balance, please contact the Office.

Year 3 Residential Visit to Hooke Court... There are still three outstanding instalments and **medical forms/NHS numbers** for Hooke Court. Please could you send these in as soon as possible.

ParentPay... We are aware that some of you are receiving ParentPay communication from the school twice. We are **still** dealing with the issue and apologise for any ongoing inconvenience. A few other schools have also been affected and ParentPay are still trying to deal with the issue. Please can you inform the office if you are still getting duplicates. Many thanks.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers... The school is collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers again. Any vouchers would be gratefully received and can be 'posted' by your child into the box by the School Office.

Help... We would still really like some newspaper for a papier mache activity! Please send this in to any year 3 class. Many thanks!

SDP Questionnaire... Please remember to complete our questionnaire. This can be accessed via a link on our 'Latest News' page on the school website. It would be great to have as many responses as possible.

Absent... When ringing in to notify us that your child is absent, please could you also state if your child usually has a school dinner. If your child is likely to be in later in the day, please let the office know whether they will be in to have their lunch (12.10 pm) or not.

Before School Club... You can book your child into BSC up to 24 hours before they attend. Due to staffing considerations, we would not be able to accept children on the day as we could not ensure there is an appropriate adult-child ratio. **Please do not send your child to Before School Club without booking their place first.**

Parents Evening (Wednesday 12th March)... Slips to book your time slot will be going out on Monday 24th February.

Bikeability Level 1 (Year 5) Wednesday 12th March... Letters to book onto this year's Bikeability (formally Cycling Proficiency) for year 5 will also be going out on Monday 24th February as well.

Local Events....



Running Scared!... Can't run, won't run, scared to run? Get started in our new, small and friendly group with a walk/run circuit around Onslow Village. Meet in Molly's to register after school run on Thursdays, we set off about 9.10am for a measured workout. Lead by local mum, Sharon, who is a qualified Run England leader, all abilities welcome and it's FREE! Email: familygarner@gmail.com for more details.

Holiday Club at Chantry Woods... 18th & 19th February—10.15 am - 4.00 pm. It encourages children to explore themselves and their environment while learning and having fun. For more details please visit schools@wild-learning.net

Denbies Wine Estate... February Half Term, craft activities starting from £1.50. There will be Lego Build, Punch & Judy, Fancy Dress, Teddy Bear Disco and much

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.

