



QE NEWS



QE Diary Dates

Spring Term

03-05/03/14	Year 3 Residential Trip to Hooke Court
05/03/14	QE Expansion Drop-in Sessions
07/03/14	Class Assembly - 4K - 2.40pm
10/03/14	World Book Pyjama Day
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
21/02/14	PSA Family Bingo Night - 6.30 pm
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
28/03/14	Year 5 Enterprise Sale
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
07-09/05/14	Year 5 Residential Trip to France
12-16/05/14	SATs
21/06/14	PSA Summer Fayre

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

Are you a strong person?

I think I am a strong person. I can stay strong in tough situations, but most of the time I can hold my temper.

Who is the strong person in your life?

Everyone around me is strong in different ways, my friends and family all support me and keep me firm.

When in your life do you have to be strong?

You have to be strong in anything that challenges you. It could be a physical challenge, everyday jobs or a test of mental strength. God will give you strength.

Abbot, Year 6

Are you a strong person?

Yes, I am very sensitive but I like celebrations and I never give up even if I have to.

Who is the strong person in your life?

Everyone is because everyone is strong in their own way, even nature and God.

When in your life do you have to be strong?

In tests because if you don't know the answer, you have to be strong and figure it out.

Castle, Year 3



What A Grand Trip!



What an exciting week it has been at QE and the Year 3 children had an amazing time at our first residential of the year to Hooke Court. They loved it and as you can see from the pictures above, the activities were varied, fun and very history based. I think it's one of the best trips I have been on and the behaviour of the children was immaculate. They were superb and everyone commented on how well behaved they were when we went out in public. Well done all of you! I do think we could run a caption competition for my photo above....any thoughts? I also want to thank everyone for such positive feedback on the Twitter updates we ran. I know a number of you followed us and we will keep it going for the other residential trips this year. Back in school, the Year 3 children who stayed behind had an equally amazing time with Mrs Haydon doing lots of Roman based activities. They all look significantly less tired as well!

We also had our consultation for our proposed new building on Wednesday and thank you very much to those of you who attended. I will shortly be posting a copy of the plans on the school website so you can all see if you missed the evening. I think it's an excellent use of the school's current space and will work very well for us in terms of class groupings and flow around the school. I will let you all know when we receive the final proof from the architects.

This week in our assembly, we have been thinking about strength and what it means to be a strong person. A difficult concept sometimes, as the children often equate strength to physical prowess, or a talent such as running or playing football. We have been focusing on inner strength and what it takes to be able to cope with situations as and when they arise. A definite life skill and one which we all could work on I think.

I know the Year 6 children found out this week which secondary schools they will be going to in September and it has made me realise we are getting close to their final term...this year has flown by. Before we know it we will have our next set of 90 new Year 3 children as well.

It only remains for me to wish you all a peaceful and enjoyable weekend... until next week...

Mr Blackburn & The QE Staff

From the PSA....

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 Family Bingo Night (Friday 21st March 2014) Doors open @ 6pm, bingo starts 6.30—8.30pm. Licensed bar selling beer, wine and soft drinks.

PSA Summer Fayre (Saturday 21st June 2014)—Please save the date!

Letters sent out this week....

PSA Cake Sale

Chase-ups—Y5 Normandy Trip

Chase-ups—Y6 London Trip

Chase-Ups—Y6 Condover Hall

World Book Day book vouchers

Year 3 Sports kit outstanding—reminder

Dinner money reminders

G Live Choir Rehearsals



Sport....

Football

Y5 Indoor Tournament on 24th February 2014

Y5 came 5th in the District Indoor Football last week. The team started quite slowly and unfortunately lost the first two games. The third match versus Northmead ended in a thrilling 3-3 draw and meant that the same two teams played off for 5/6 place. Again both teams played some great football and again the result was a draw, this time 2-2. A huge well done to all the players but a special mention to Poppy who was the QE Player of the Tournament (and also the only girl in the whole event)! Also, the goalkeeper Elliot who made some excellent saves.

Y3 v HT, St Josephs and St Bedes on Thursday 26th February

Our Year 3 boys played in a friendly 4 team festival. Despite the hail, rain and mud the boys played some really good football and were a credit to the school.

Y4 v HT and St Josephs on Thursday 26th February

The Year 4s played a 3-team festival on the same day. There was some excellent play from all three teams in terrible conditions with some great goals and saves. Well done to both teams.

Netball

Last Saturday our Y6 team played in the Cupcake Tournament. There were 6 teams and everyone played hard. We also ate lots of cupcakes! We came 5th but there was a shooting competition which we won!

On Tuesday the Y5A team played at St Thomas'. QE played really well, particularly Nova and Lily for the Y6s and Rebecca, Esther and Megan for Y5. I must also mention Holly (Y5) who stepped into the Y6 team at the last minute and played magnificently. We won both games.

Y5 won 11-3 & Y6 won 6-3

From the School Office....

Dinner money... There are still a handful of dinner money payments due and reminders have been sent out today detailing any outstanding balances. Please can you ensure prompt payment. Dinner monies should be paid in advance. Many thanks.

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.

World Book Day Pyjama Day... Please remember that this coming Monday, 10th March, is our World Book Day Pyjama Day and we would encourage the children to wear their pyjamas (an optional dressing gown). Please ensure they have suitable outdoor clothing for break times.

Residentials... We have had to send out an increasing number of reminders for payments and missing information for the Y5 & Y6 residential trips. There are also still a few copies of passports missing for Y5. Please note the final instalment for the Y6 visit to Condover Hall is 24th March.

Basketball... Just a reminder that the after school Basketball Club has been cancelled on Wednesday 12th March for Years 5&6. Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

G Live... If anyone has any spare tickets for the G Live Concert on 19th March, please let the school office know.

School Uniform... Please can you check your child has the correct uniform / PE bags this weekend as we have had more instances this week of children's clothing / bags (which have been clearly labelled) that have gone astray.

Bikeability Level 1 (Year 5) Wednesday 12th & Thursday 13th March... For those children taking part in the Bikeability courses next week, please ensure that your child remembers their bike, helmet and appropriate clothing.

Post Box... Please don't neglect our lovely post box should you wish to deliver any slips and please can you ensure that any payments come in envelopes.

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.

Day of Difference... Your child will be informed of their activities next week.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers... The school is collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers again. We would be very grateful for any vouchers that can be 'posted' by your child into the box by the School Office.

Many thanks

Local Events....



Safeguard are having a Charity Open Day to celebrate 90 years on Saturday 29th March from 10am—4pm @ Ridgemount Garage, Guildford Park Road, GU2 7TH.

There will be children's activities, heritage bus rides, barbecue and much, much more.



Easter Panto 2014 is Peter Pan performing at Dorking Halls on 3rd April. For tickets please call the box office on 01306 881717 or visit

Year 4 Oxfam Book Project....

The children in Year 4 had been finding out about the work of Oxfam and are taking part in their 'Book Project'.

This project involves the children donating books that they have finished reading to the local Oxfam Charity Shop.

We would appreciate your support with this project and would ask you to send any books you have finished with into school by Friday 14th March, please bring them to either 4K or 4W classrooms. The books can be suitable for adults or children; in fact any book that is in reasonable condition to be sold.

BEE ATTITUDES



Strong

When have you had to be strong inside?

**HAPPY ARE THE PERSECUTED
THEY WILL BE REWARDED**