

QE Diary Dates

12/02/15	Ironbridge Parents Meeting
13/02/15	Inset Day
16-20/02/15	Half Term Week
23/02/15	Book Week
24/02/15	Author Visit - James Campbell
25/02/15	Writing Workshop
26/02/15	Pyjama Day
27/02/15	Dress up as Book Character Day
27/02/15	3H Class Assembly, 2.40 pm
03/03/15	Orchestra Rehearsals for music festival @ Northmead School
03/03/15	Hooke Court Meeting @ 3.20 pm
05/03/15	Choir Rehearsals for music festival @ Bushy Hill School
06/03/15	4W Class Assembly, 2.40 pm
06/03/15	PSA Disco
11/03/15	QE House Quiz - pm
11/03/15	Parents' Evening, 3.30pm-8.00pm
11-12/03/15	Year 5 Bikeability - am only
13/03/15	Year 4 Cake Sale
16/03/15	Year 6 Mock SATs all week
17/03/15	Orchestra Rehearsals for music festival @ Northmead School
17-20/03/15	Year 4 Residential Trip to Ironbridge
18/03/15	Music Festival @ GLive
21/03/15	PSA Bingo Night
23-25/03/15	Year 3 Residential Trip to Hooke Court
26/03/15	Day of Difference
27/03/15	Last Day of Spring Term - 1.15 pm finish
13/04/15	Start of Summer Term
17/04/15	Easter Pause Day
22/04/15	Class & Sports Team Photographs
04/05/15	Bank Holiday
07/05/15	Polling Day - School Closed
11/05/14	SATS Week
19-22/05/15	Year 5 Residential Trip to France
20/06/15	PSA Summer Fair
26/06/15	Inset Day
25-29/05/15	Half Term Week
06-10/07/15	Year 6 Residential Trip to Little Canada
17/07/15	Last Day of Summer Term - 1.15 pm finish
20-21/07/15	Inset Days

# QE NEWS

An academy in the Good Shepherd Trust

## Excellent Progress.....!

As some of you will have seen (if you are tall enough to see over the fence!) progress on the build is moving at a fast pace despite the weather. We were hoping to have bricklayers on site this week but that has now been shifted to Monday, however work has continued on creating the drainage and foundations for the classrooms at the front of the school. I am very pleased with the way the work is progressing and hopeful that we will be able to move into the classrooms before the end of the summer term.

We had our first significant snow fall on Tuesday and I have to admit it caught me slightly by surprise. Having checked the weather before I went to bed I did not anticipate waking up to quite so much snow. I have to thank my staff for their patience on some incredibly long journeys into school and we were so pleased we were able to open. We let the children go out and enjoy the snow as much as possible and Mr Day and I both reflected on how experiences like this are really what school is all about. Many thanks to you all for following our procedure and checking the school website to see if we were closed. We had tried to get a message to Eagle Radio but they were overrun with schools trying to contact them and even when we did get through they didn't update their website.

We will only close QE if we do not have enough staff to safely run the school or if we think coming to school represents a danger to you and your children. Closing is a last resort but it is also something we have no qualms about if either of the two reasons above come into play. We are aware we have a number of key workers amongst our parent body so we will do all we can to stay open. However, should we need to close we will contact you as quickly as possible to give you time to make arrangements.

Sorry, but I am going to have another moan about parking as many parents are now asking me to speak to parents at the end of the day. I realise this advice may go unheeded but can you all at least make sure you don't park your cars across the driveways of local residents. I am sure you would not like it if the shoe was on the other foot. Please respect our neighbours and be considerate when parking.

Hope you all have a great weekend!

Mr Blackburn & the QE Staff

**In the post box this week we have been thinking about passion ...**

**What are you passionate about?**

I am passionate about piano. I love playing it and I'm good at it.



**What makes you strong inside?**

I am not always strong inside but when I am I do it for my music teacher and I don't give up trying to do a hard piece.

**Do you stand up for right?**

I am quite a quiet person when it comes to standing up for someone or something. I do feel I need to sometimes but other times I can't.

Year 6, Wey

**Letters sent out this week....**

- Easter Day of Difference Helpers
- Free School Meals Eligibility
- Year 6 Residential Trip to IOW -Medical Forms
- Book Week Letter



**PROMISE OF THE WEEK**

*My power is greatest when you are weakest...*

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**What are you Passionate about?**

## PSA

6th March - PSA Disco

\* Years 3 & 4 6.00pm - 7.00pm

\* Years 5 & 6 7.30pm - 8.45pm

13th March Year 4 Cake Sale

21st March - Bingo Night

20th June - Summer Fair

### Help needed

We are going to start planning the Summer Fair soon, any ideas for stalls or anyone who can help with the initial concepts and groundwork please get in touch.

If you can help please email

[liz\\_godfrey@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:liz_godfrey@hotmail.co.uk) or

[jojo\\_sellen@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jojo_sellen@yahoo.co.uk)



## Netball



Last week's Y6 trio of matches against Holy Trinity was cut short by the sudden hailstorm that completely covered the courts in seconds. Such a shame, as we were winning both the matches being played at the time! We hope to rearrange.

This week's match was for the Y6B team against Weyfield. After a slow start, the team finally got into their stride, playing varying positions and showing their versatility. Of particular mention is Rebecca who was dominant in the centre of the court. A good win. Result:

QE 12 - Weyfield 2

## School Uniform Supplier



As you may be aware we have experienced on-going problems with our current school uniform supplier, Marks & Spencer. Consequently we will now be using a new supplier, Kids-Biz ([www.kids-biz.co.uk](http://www.kids-biz.co.uk)).

Representatives from Kids-Biz will be giving a short presentation, on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February at 3.30pm, to show you the product range and explain the ordering process. Samples of all the uniform, in various sizes, will be available for you to view and order. Please collect your child from the playground in the usual way and enter the Hall via the outside door.

If you would like to purchase uniform prior to 24<sup>th</sup> February all the products are now available from the Kids-Biz website, just visit [www.kids-biz.co.uk](http://www.kids-biz.co.uk) and click on the QE logo.

## From the School Office....

**Inset Day...** Just a reminder that the school is closed next Friday (13th February) for an inset day.

**Tissues...** We are asking for donations of boxes of tissues for the classroom please. There are a lot of colds and sniffles about so one box per child would really help. Many thanks in advance.

**Violin Lessons...** We now have a Violin teacher that comes to the school on a Friday morning. If your child is interested in playing please contact Surrey Arts on <http://new.surreycc.gov.uk/heritage-culture-and-recreation/surrey-arts>.

**Book Week...** Just a reminder that Book Week is the first week back after half term. We have some exciting activities for the children to participate in including Pyjama Day and Book Character Day!

**Lost Property...** Although there has been a significant improvement, there are a few items of lost property in the basket outside the office. Please come and see if any items belong to your child(ren) before half term. Thanks.

**Snow Closure...** Please ensure you check the school website for any announcements about the school being closed in the event of snow.

**Coat...** With the colder weather here, please ensure your child has a coat in school every day.

**Running Club...** Please ensure your child gets to school no earlier than 8.10 am if they are attending running club as there will be no teacher to supervise them before that time. Thanks for your co-operation.

**Socks/Tights/Boys Trousers...** If anyone has spare socks, tights and boys trousers at home we would appreciate them as spares in the school office. With the wetter weather upon us we are needing more spares!

Many thanks

## Local Events



Don't miss out on our multi-activity day camps at Charterhouse Club, Godalming.

**We're back between 16th-20th February, from just £40 per day or £170 per week!**

We have an action packed February half term organised during your child's break from school.

The multi-functional sports hall will keep kids active as they participate in a variety of camp activities at the fitness club in Godalming. Expect sports, art, team building games and most of all - lots of fun!

Our camps are open from 9.30am to 4.30pm each day. Busy parents and carers can also add **extra time from just £4 per day** to extend their child's session from 8am-6pm.

Call our friendly team now on **0844 335 8217** (lines are open 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday) or [book online](http://www.theacademies.co.uk/book-online) to secure your place. <https://www.theacademies.co.uk/check-out/sign-in>