

QE NEWS

Spring Term - Issue 4 27/01/2017

The First Cut is the Deepest...

House Point Total

This week's house point totals are.....

Wey1019

Abbot913

Castle957

Carroll1045

You may well have heard this week about the focus on school budgets and how it's leading to a funding crisis in Education in general. It is clearly a worrying time and with the County Council's recent decision to propose a 15% increase in Council Tax, you would think that naturally some of that will go to schools but it is unlikely to be the case. At QE we are very, very committed to working with our money the best way we can and ensuring that as much as possible we protect the staff and services we have and ensure the children have the best possible educational experience they can. The Governor's Finance committee met this week to look at a range of issues affecting the school and we are lucky to have such committed volunteers working with us at school. We are about to re-advertise for a Parent Governor vacancy, so if this is something you think you would like to contribute to the school, please catch me on the gate and I can talk it through with you.

On a travel to school note, we launched the Living Streets programme again this week. It is a great way to get the children to walk or cycle to school and they are rewarded by knowing they have helped ease the parking problems around school. We always encourage children to walk, cycle or scoot if they can so hopefully this will give them the motivation they need.

We are looking at our clubs provision for next year and are keen to extend our current offering. We have a number of parent run clubs and would love to add to that number. If you feel you could offer a paid for club then please contact the office for a discussion on what you could potentially do.

This week we seem to have had a number of adults picking up children from QE who are not quite sure where they park or collect the children from. If you are having someone new collect your child it's always best, if possible, to have dry run first where they can see what our procedures are. If not, please could you explain to them as clearly as possible what they need to do or direct them to either myself, Miss Silvester or the office.

Lastly, the road outside has been very busy in the morning this week. We have had a number of children cross the road at QE between parked cars and run across the road in between traffic. Please can speak to all of your children and remind them to look carefully before they cross. We will be picking this up in assembly next week too. Have a great weekend.....

Mr Blackburn & the QE Staff

Thoughtful Time...

This week in Thoughtful Time we have been thinking about being calm....



1. Are you a calm person?

No, I am not a calm person because I always rush about and I am always busy and never have time to be calm.

2. What irritates you in life?

Lots of things, here are a few of them...
Siblings, Spiders, Chickens, Homework, Having to tidy my room and ILTs.

3. What happens when you use your calm?

I normally go to my room and listen to music and write in my diary about what's happened and then I calm down and go downstairs.

Wey, Year 5

Weekly value

Our theme for this week's values is.....

Consideration and Kindness

THE MAGIC OF...

CALM

What makes you angry or scared?

Be a Star!

CLUBS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Magic, Chess, Drama (Years 3&4), Football (Years 5&6), Netball, (Year 5)	Running (Years 3&4), Yoga, Dodgeball (Years 5&6), Hockey, Dodgeball (Lunchtime)	Judo, Basketball (Years 5&6), Dodgeball (Years 3&4), Netball (Year 4), Maths	Cookery, Drama (Years 5&6), Multi Sports, Sewing, Netball (Year 6), Pottery	Running (Years 5&6), Sewing, Ball Skills, Football (Years 3&4), Orchestra, Cookery

QE Diary Dates

Next Week

03/02/17 3G Class Assembly, 2.40pm

Next Few Weeks

08/02/17 Parents' Focus Group Meeting 7.00pm

09/02/17 Year 3 Cake Sale

10/02/17 INSET DAY - School Closed

13-17/02/17 Half Term

20-24/02/17 Book Week

21/02/17 Book Fair in class

23/02/17 Pyjama Day

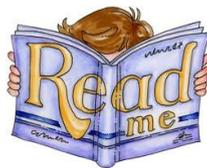
24/02/17 Fancy Dress Book Character Day

24/02/17 5H Class Assembly, 2.40pm

03/03/17 Day of Difference

08/03/17 House Quiz pm

FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE....



Clubs... On Friday 3rd February (next week) the Summer Term Clubs Application Forms will be sent home with your child - this will be a paper copy only. Please look out for them.

Day of Difference... Many thanks to those parents who have offered to help out on our Easter DOD. We still need a few more helpers in the afternoon. Please pop into the office and let us know if you can spare the time. Many thanks

Borrowed Uniform... If your child has borrowed uniform from the office during the day, please can you remember to return it to the office washed. We have a certain amount of uniform that we keep for emergencies. Thanks in advance.

A red micro scooter has gone missing from the scooter rack by the gazebo. If you have any information regarding this please contact the office. Thanks.

LETTERS SENT OUT THIS WEEK...

- Year 5 Bikeability
- Consent /Medical Forms for Normandy Residential



PSA

Future dates....

Thursday 9th February - Year 3 cake sale

We still need more helpers. Please email Jo Lee if you can help at this event . Her email address is joannalee_7@hotmail.com

Saturday 25th March - Easter Bingo

Thursday 30th March - School Disco

Friday 21st April - Happy Circus



QE Vacancy for Teaching Assistant (TA)

Start date: March 2017.
Salary: (SP3): £15,307 - £17,316 FTE
Hours: Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 3.15pm, term time only.



We are recruiting for a Teaching Assistant to work in partnership with our Teachers, and under direction from our SENCO, to provide additional support to our pupils. We are looking for someone who is enthusiastic, adaptable, and willing to work hard in order to encourage our pupils' success. Previous school experience is preferable but energy, flexibility and a sense of humour are pre-requisites for this role. Applications Close: Noon - Thursday 9th Feb. Interviews: Wednesday 22nd February. Application forms are available on the school website, via eteach or at the office.

Vacancies Midday Supervisor

We are recruiting for Midday Supervisors - Monday to Friday, Term Time only, 12.10 -1.10pm. Come and join our friendly team, supervising the children during lunchtime. For further details and an application form please contact Annabel Morland on 01483 561323.

Application forms can be picked up from the school office or downloaded from our vacancies page on our website. Closing date midday 6th February. Interviews 9th February.



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