



QE NEWS



QE Diary Dates

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
23/05/14	Class & Sports Team Photographs
26-30/05/14	Half Term Week
12/06/14	Year 4 Trip to Haslemere Museum
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
04/07/14	Day of Difference (Year 2 Transition Day)
04/07/14	PSA Cake Sale Year 3
07-11/07/14	Year 6 Residential Trip to Conover Hall
16/07/14	Year 2 Transition Day
18/07/14	PSA Disco
22/07/14	Summer Picnic
23/07/14	Last day of Summer Term finishing at 1.15 pm



We are starting off this week's newsletter with some fantastic news. Mrs Haydon and her husband Jamie are going to be having an addition to their family soon. I am sure the more observant of you may have noticed by now and we are all over the moon for the two of them.

It's been a great week at QE this week with the Year 3 children busy finding out about the human skeleton. Year 4 have been finding out about habitats in their topic and Year 5 have been studying D-Day in preparation for their trip to France next week. The Year 6 children are busy revising for SATs and I was lucky enough to teach 6CS on Tuesday. We had a break from revision and made bottle rockets using bicarbonate of soda and vinegar. It's a great science experiment and the children enjoyed making and then flying their rockets. I also learnt a thing or two about being careful when launching bottle rockets. Shows you are never too old to learn!

Our assembly theme started in earnest this week with a fantastic visit from our regular visitor Lieutenant Colonel Geoffrey Marchington-Quickly. He came and shared with us some of his stories and told us what we should do if we were ever stuck up a mountain. He is definitely a very prepared man! He also bears an uncanny resemblance to Mr Day.....strange that. I am sure over the coming weeks we will have lots of useful tips on how to survive a number of worst case scenarios. I am looking forward to them already.

Sadly, I have to report that we have not managed to repair the Pupil Progress Gateway (PPG) in time for the weekend. We are carefully checking the data to see it is correctly populated and that all the user names and passwords are correct. Again, many apologies for the delay in repairing the PPG but we want to make sure it's working properly before we open it up to you all again.

Just a reminder for Year 3 parents that there is a questionnaire about the residential trip to Hooke Court on our Latest News page. There is also a questionnaire for parents who children didn't attend so if you have two minutes it would be great if we could have your feedback.

It's been a funny start to term with our INSET day this Friday and no school on Monday because of the Bank Holiday. At least the weather has really improved over the last couple of days which is nice. It only remains for me to wish you all a good weekend and I hope the weather holds out.

Mr Blackburn & The QE Staff

In the post box this week we have been thinking about where we are going in life ...

Do you have a plan for your life?

Yes I want to be a zoo keeper looking after giant tortoises as it would be quite a slow, steady paced job.

Do you follow God's light?

I'm not really sure just yet.

Jesus said 'I am the light of the world' what do you think he meant?

I think he meant to bring light to darkness. When people don't believe in me I try to bring light. **Abbot, 3H**

Do you have a plan for your life?

When I'm older I would either like to be an artist or a gymnast.

Do you follow God's light?

I hope so but I am not completely sure.

Jesus said 'I am the light of the world' what do you think he meant?

If you feel like your life is dark and horrible then follow him as a light that will lead you in the right direction. **Wey, 5W**



From the PSA....

PSA Summer Fayre... Saturday 21st June

Jolly Jam Jars... An urgent appeal for Jars and fillers, please bring to the school office so the PSA can collect.

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.

Extraordinary Meeting... Please join us on Tuesday 6th May at 7.30 pm in the Staff Room.

Letters sent out this week....

PSA Summer Fayre—Jam Jar Appeal

Year 4 Visit to Haslemere Educational Museum

Saturday Activities Centre Leaflet



Sport....

Cross Country

Last Wednesday our Year 5 and 6 Cross-country team took part in a race at St Bede's Junior School.

The course, which took them through the woods and across the fields, was just over a mile long. Our whole team performed extremely well, with Charlie, Eddie and Thomas finishing among the top five boys; and Nova and Holly finishing in the top ten girls.

Well done to all QE participants from Mrs Wilkinson and Mrs Clement-Smith!

Netball

Year 4 play a tournament at Tormead this evening - we wish them every success and look forward to hearing how they got on in next week's newsletter!

Increase of Scarlet Fever....

Please note there has been a recent national and local increase in notifications of scarlet fever to Public Health England, above seasonal expected levels. Signs and symptoms of scarlet fever to look out for are, sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting. After 12 to 48 hours the characteristic red, pinhead rash develops, typically first appearing on the chest and stomach, then rapidly spreading to other parts of the body, and giving the skin a sandpaper like texture. Please contact your GP if you have any concerns.

From the School Office....

Swimming (PE and After School)... We will let you know as soon as we are able to swim again. Apologies again for the delay, however, this is weather dependent. Please ensure your child has their swimming kit in school in the event that they can.

School Dinner Money... There are still a few dinner money accounts that need settling. Please remember that meals should be paid for in advance. A reminder that the amount due for this half term is £43.05; £41.00 (for Y6 on London Trip); £36.90 (for Y5 going on French Trip).

Dates... A reminder that tomorrow, Friday 2nd May is an INSET day and that Monday 5th May is a Bank Holiday so the school will not be open to the children. On Thursday 22nd May, the school will also be closed for Polling Day.

Year 5 French Trip... All passports and EHICs must be handed in to the office in advance of the trip and no later than Tuesday 6th May.

Year 6 Condoover Hall... We still have a number of outstanding amounts for the Year 6 Condoover Hall trip. The deadline for the last payment has passed. Please settle up asap because the final invoice needs to be paid.

Hayfever / Medicine... If your child is a hayfever sufferer, please don't forget to dose them up before school as the new season approaches; a few items of medicine have expired - please check with the office if you are at all unsure.

Plant Sale Orders... Many thanks to all those who put their plant orders in. The plants will be delivered to the school on Monday 19th May.

Sainsbury's Active Vouchers... If there are any willing parent volunteers to count the Sainsbury's active vouchers please contact the school office.

Many thanks

Local Events....

Onslow Village Garden Club... will be holding a TABLE TOP SALE in Onslow Village Hall on Saturday 10th May from 9.30am to 12.30pm. There will be stalls selling plants, cakes, books, jig-saw puzzles, greeting cards, toys, jewellery and bric-a-brac. There will be a raffle, refreshments and a competition. Do come and join in the fun and support one of your local clubs. Enquiries/bookings - 01483 563421.

Shooting Star Chase - New 'Friends Group'... Shooting Star Chase is a leading children's hospice charity caring for babies, children and young people with life-limiting conditions, and their families. We are looking to raise our profile and activity in your local area and are hoping to establish a new 'Friends Group' in the Guildford area. We are looking for volunteers who are willing to donate some of their spare time to help us raise awareness and funds through various activities and events of the Group's choice. With this in mind, we would like to invite you to an initial meeting on Saturday 10th May at 10.00 am at Weybourne House, Hitherbury Close, Guildford, GU2 4DR. To confirm your attendance, please contact Kate Law on 01932 823152. The aim of the meeting is for people to learn more about Shooting Star Chase and how you might be able to help us.



Running Club (for grown-ups) Can't run, won't run, too scared to run? Come and join our group on Thursday mornings, and we'll help you get running AND enjoy it. Suitable for all abilities! No experience needed!

Meet in Molly's at 9.15 am (Opposite the Village Hall, Wilderness Road, Onslow Village). Training will be on the Rec. Dates for this half term are: 1st May, 8th May, 15th May and 22nd May although QE are closed due to Polling day, however children are welcome to join us that day! Contact Sharon Garner on 07952 237202 or email: familygarner@gmail.com for more details.

Onslow Football Club... are looking to create a new team alongside their 1st team for the U9s age group. They will train at the Rec behind Onslow Infant School from 10-11am on Saturdays (during term time). The joining fee will be £40 per year but this will be confirmed. For more information and to register your interest please contact mathewgearon@gmail.com or davidaucott@yahoo.com



Support Kings College... This is a great opportunity to create a vocational centre for our students and our entry is to build a construction centre to provide practical work based skills for our students. Even MP Anne Milton took time out of her busy schedule on Friday afternoon to show her support for Kings College in the TES Win A Building Competition. We are thrilled to be the only school in Surrey to be shortlisted, and hope you will vote for us and spread the word amongst friends and family.

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