

QE NEWS

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House Point Total

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

Wey1465

Abbot1389

Castle1475

Carroll1307

You may say I'm a dreamer But I'm not the only one....

Our thoughts this week are very much with the people of Manchester following the tragic loss of life following the Ariana Grande concert earlier in the week. This was such a sickening attack and its impact has been felt across the country given that the focus of the attack was a concert where the fan base was so young. I know the city very well, my brother lives and works in Manchester and I have been touched by the overwhelming sense of community spirit that has been very evident since the attack. These are values that we as a school strive to instil in our children. Our assembly focus this week has been peace which is so relevant to what's going on not only in Manchester but across the world. We want all of our children to experience life wanting to do their best but also to do their best by other people. This is as vital to us as teaching them to read or multiply and is something that is core to our values as a school. Acceptance of others regardless of their religious views or where they were born is key. At QE we are very lucky to have such a diverse intake and this is something we need to value more as a school. We have citizenship week when we come back after half term and the teachers are currently planning activities for the children which will focus on diversity and understanding that we need to focus less on our differences and more on our strengths as a community. Please set aside some time when we come back after half term to discuss what the children have been learning about in citizenship week. We can only be effective if we do this as a partnership and we are all keen to ensure that the children understand the world they live in as much as possible.

It has been a great week at QE and the lovely weather has certainly helped the children to get the proper amount of energy discharge they need to fully focus on their work. Can we ask that you do check the weather forecast and ensure your children has a water bottle and if it's going to be very hot, has applied sun screen. We are using the fantastic outdoor spaces as much as we can this term and the children are out in the sun a lot so a hat would also help on very hot days. We are fortunate to have climate control in all of the classrooms now meaning we can at least keep the classrooms cool during the day as we do tend to get a lot of sun on the building.

We had a great Year 5 trip to France last week, and I want to thanks the Year 5 staff and TAs for making it such a great experience for the children. Everyone had a great time, despite the weather, and their behaviour was superb as usual. I do just want to point out the Twitter feed we run captures the children when they are often not expecting it meaning that sometimes they are not smiling. This isn't an indicator they are having a bad time but are just focused. I only mention that as I know a couple of parents were concerned by this. I also wanted to apologise for the swimming pool being out of use. This is due to a problem with the pool heater and we are working to fix this as quickly as we can.

I am sure it's not escaped your notice that it's half term! The weeks seem to have flown by and we are rapidly approaching the end of the school year. It's always a very busy time and there are a number of events coming up which are all included on our website and the newsletter. Please can we ask that you read this information as regularly as you can to make sure you don't miss any key dates. Have a great weekend!

Mr Blackburn & the QE Staff

Thoughtful Time....

This week in Thoughtful Time we have been thinking about when we feel at peace....

- What makes you angry in life?**
When my mum asks me the same question three times in a row and I always answer the same reply.
- What do you do to feel at peace?**
To be alone and to watch You Tube
- Why isn't there peace in the world?**
Because police officers will have nothing to do (and some people just don't like each other).



Abbot, Year 4

- What makes you angry in life?**
What makes me angry is seeing people treated differently because of their nationality, skin colour or religion, which is not far.
- What do you do to feel at peace?**
Take a long walk to clear my mind.
- Why isn't there peace in the world?**
There isn't peace in the world because we are all different and different people make different decisions. Some people's decisions may be wrong but we can't change it. You are only responsible for your own decisions.

Wey, Year 5

Weekly value

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

Responsibility

METAL FRUIT

MAKE
PEACE



Peace and Peace
How CAN YOU BE A PEACEMAKER?

CLUBS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Magic, Chess, Drama (Years 3&4), Football (Years 3&4) Netball (Year 5), Swimming (Y6)	Running (Years 3&4), Yoga, Hockey, Swimming (Y3), Football (Years 5&6)	Judo, Basketball (Years 5&6), Athletics (Years 3&4), Netball (Year 4), Maths Club	Cookery, Drama (Years 5&6), Cricket/ Rounders, Sewing, Netball (Year 6), Pottery, Swimming (Y4)	Running (Years 5&6), Sewing, Athletics (Years 5&6), Orchestra, Swimming (Y5)

QE Diary Dates

Next Week

29-02/6/17 Half Term

Next Few Weeks

07/06/17 Parents' Focus Group Meeting - 7.30 pm
09/06/17 4E Class Assembly - 2.40 pm
09/06/17 PSA Movie Night
12/06/17 5H to Henley Fort
13/06/17 5R to Henley Fort
13/06/17 Year 6 Little Canada Parents' Meeting 3.20pm
14/06/17 Sports Day
16/06/17 5R Class Assembly
19/06/17 5W to Henley Fort
21/06/17 Reserve Sports Day
22/06/17 Year 6 Trip to Junior Citizen Event
22/06/17 Year 4 Trip to Haslemere Museum (4E & 4G)
23/06/17 Year 4 Trip to Haslemere Museum (4K & 4P)
26/05/17 INSET DAY
28/06/17 Year 6 Leavers Service at The Cathedral
05/07/17 Year 6 County School Transition Day

FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE....

- Uniform... May we remind you to clearly label all uniform especially jumpers/cardigans as these tend to get left on the field after break and lunchtime.
- Class Photos... All proofs went home with your child on Wednesday. If you want to see a full size version please pop in to the office as we have a copy.
- Day of Difference... Friday 7th July... If you can spare a day or half day to help on our Day of Difference we would be very grateful. It will be our busiest one with the Year 2s joining us so additional helpers are vital.
- Swimming... The heater in the swimming pool has broken down therefore there will be no swimming until after Half Term.
- Normandy 2018... First instalment of £84 is due by 30th June.

Letters Sent Home

- * PSA Movie Night
- * Year 3 Cooking
- * Parents' Focus Group
- * Ironbridge 2018 Instalment Letter



Many thanks and have a lovely Half Term.

FUTURE KEY DATES...

**POLLING DAY - THURSDAY 8TH JUNE
THE SCHOOL WILL BE OPEN AS USUAL.**

MONDAY 26TH JUNE - INSET DAY

**FRIDAY 7TH JULY - THERE WILL BE NO CLUBS AFTER
SCHOOL AS IT'S DAY OF DIFFERENCE**

**THE LAST DAY OF THE SUMMER TERM IS FRIDAY 21ST
JULY. SCHOOL FINISHES AT 1.15PM.**

INSET DAYS FOR 2017/2018

MONDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER

FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER

FRIDAY 9TH FEBRUARY

FRIDAY 22ND JUNE

MONDAY 23RD JULY

Local Events

Summertime Fun
Summer Activities for Kids



**FREE HALF TERM
ACTIVITY DAY**
Wednesday 31 May,
11am - 3pm
The Marquee at Guild-
ford Cathedral, GU2 7UP

Everyone is welcome to get stuck into our free construction themed activity day. Children of all ages are invited to join our artist Lindsey Southworth as we build and decorate a cardboard cathedral for everyone to play in. There will be construction themed creative crafts, treasure hunts and story telling, plus a nail bar! Bring a picnic to enjoy in our extensive grounds. Cathedral, shop and Refectory open. Visit www.guildford-cathedral.org for more information or contact louise@guildford-cathedral.org to find out more.

PSA



Movie Night will be on Friday 9th June.
6.00pm-8.30pm - Letter has gone out.



Friday 30th June - PSA Picnic
Details to follow.



Friday 7th July - Year 5 & 6 Cake Sale