

QE NEWS

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Record breaking September...

With the news reporting that September has been the warmest on record, it has been great to see the children being able to use all the outdoor spaces including the field and swimming pool. It has also meant that the teachers have been able to incorporate some outdoor learning into their lessons, especially Year 6 with a long division hunt. It has been great to see all the children settle so well into their new classes and life at Queen Eleanor's, in particular the Year 3 children and those in other year groups who have joined us since September. I would like to take this opportunity to point you in the direction of the year group pages on the school website where you can find more information on what the children are learning this term as well as find pictures of what the different classes have been up to.

Mrs Davies... We look forward to welcoming Mrs Davies back to school on Monday 16th October.



Attendance... On Monday the 2nd of October, for the first time in Mrs Robson's long reign in the office, all 346 children were in school meaning we had 100% attendance! It was great to be able to share this with you and, to reward the children, we gave the whole school an extra 15 minutes break time! Let's hope that this will be the first of many days when we are all in.

Harvest festival... On Tuesday 3rd October, the whole school went to All Saints Church and took part in a Harvest Service led by Reverend Beverly. Courtesy of the Faith Team (who read their readings beautifully), the children learnt all about the history of the Harvest festival and it was great to hear the children in full voice as they sang along to the Harvest Samba—thank you to Mrs McCorkindale and Mrs Prawitt for teaching the children the songs in class assemblies and Miss Mclean for organising. Thank you very much for your kind donations which have all been gratefully received by the North Guildford Food Bank.



Fund raising at Queen Eleanor's... Celebration Collective Worship on the 22nd September was a colourful affair with the children wearing yellow and bringing in money for Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. In assembly, we learnt about some of the great work that the Children's Cancer and Leukaemia Group do and we managed to raise an impressive £281.47. A huge thank you to Mrs Prentki who organised this and sent off the money. The following Friday, we had the Macmillan coffee morning which was a great opportunity to meet and talk to parents and raise some money for the great work Macmillan Cancer Support do. In total, we raised £185.18.

Sporting success at QE... Y6 had their first netball match of the season last week, playing Holy Trinity at home. We put out two teams and managed to win both matches. Although the match played by Florence's team was quite even, QE had amazing shooters and won 9-2. The player of the match was Florence. Isobel's team had a very exciting, equal game whose score fluctuated throughout. QE came out on top, winning 6-4 with Ellie player of the match. Well done girls, a good start to the season. We have also participated in two cross country races (one at Prior's Field and the other at Holy Trinity) with a few children finishing in the top ten. Most impressive was Millie in Year 6, who ran both races on the same day, and finished an impressive fifth in both!



Children's Voice... It has been great to see so many children across the school putting themselves forward for the various responsibilities that we offer. Each class now has an Eco-rep, a member of the Faith Team as well as two School Councillors and Wellbeing Ambassadors. The Wellbeing Ambassadors have already received some training from The Eikon Charity and have fed this back to their classes. The Sports Captains have also been put to work by Mr Smith and the House Captains have been busy collecting house points on a weekly basis (which we will publish in our newsletter—see below) as well as leading tours for prospective new parents.

GST 10 Year Anniversary... On Wednesday the 20th September, I had the privilege of taking 27 children from Years 3, 4 and 5 to Guildford Cathedral to celebrate the 10 Year Anniversary of the Good Shepherd Trust (GST). The children learnt how the GST was formed and how they support Queen Eleanor's and all the others schools that are part of the Trust while taking part in different craft activities, including making their own sheep. The school was also given a copy of the GST Prayer

er that was written to commemorate the occasion. The children will learn this prayer in celebration collective worship and we have chosen it as the prayer of the month which you can see below.

We hope you have a lovely weekend!

Mr Papworth and the QE Staff

House points

Abbot	3770
Carrol	4207
Castle	4066
Wey	3986

Prayer of the Month

Lord Jesus,
our Good Shepherd,
you said "I have come that
you may have life
and have it to the full."
Thank you for guiding
us and
showing us how to live,
Love and serve others.



Help us as we develop our
community life
so that we all have a place
and can contribute.
We ask for your blessing on
the whole Good Shepherd
family,
as we walk together into the
future.
In your name we pray,
Amen



USEFUL REMINDERS & MESSAGES



IMPORTANT LETTERS SENT HOME

19.10.2023	Year 3 trip to Butser Farm
25.09.2023	School Photograph QR codes sent home today
28.09.2023	PSD - October Half Term Holiday Camp
02.10.2023	Perfect Attendance Today!
02.10.2023	Bikeability - Level 2 - November 2023
03.10.2023	5R Class Assembly date change
03.10.2023	Author Visit - Friday 13th October
03.10.2023	Important information regarding your child's artwork and order form for Cauliflower Cards: Christmas
03.10.2023	Year 3 Roman Day - Wednesday 18th October 2023
06.10..2023	Christmas gift order forms sent home today
09.10.2023	Headlice—class 3G
09.10.2023	Year 6 SATS revision guides ands workbooks
10.10.2023	Parent Survey-School Vision
11.10.2023	Year 5—Stone Age Day
12.10.2023	Important Reminder Year 6 - Secondary School Application
13.10.2023	3T—PE Swap next week
13.10.2023	Year 3 Reminders
13.10.2023	5R—PE Swap next week



SCHOOL DINNERS

The cost of a school meal is £2.70 per day/£13.50 per week.

It is essential that school meals are paid for in advance of the meals being taken. Please ensure that your child's meal account is kept in credit on Parent Pay at all times.

Year 4 Ironbridge Instalments due so far: Monday 3 July— £50.00 TOTAL:£100.00 (excluding deposit)

Monday 2 October—£50.00

Year 6 PGL Instalments due so far: Monday 11 September—£60.00 TOTAL:£120.00 (excluding deposit)

Monday 2 October— £60.00

**** PLEASE ENSURE ALL PAYMENTS ARE UP TO DATE ON PARENT PAY****

SCHOOL GATES OPEN AT 8:30AM. UNTIL THEN, THERE IS NO SUPERVISION ON SITE AND THEREFORE CHILDREN SHOULD NOT BE DROPPED AT SCHOOL BEFORE THIS TIME. CHILDREN MAY ONLY ENTER THE SCHOOL GATES WHEN INSTRUCTED TO DO SO BY A STAFF MEMBER ON DUTY.

IF YOU NEED TO DROP YOUR CHILD BEFORE 8.30AM PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE TO BOOK A PLACE AT BEFORE SCHOOL CLUB.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

After school clubs will run as normal next week, Monday-Thursday.

Please remember that swimming club will NOT continue after October half-term.

LOST PROPERTY

Our basket is overflowing again.

In addition to QE jumpers and cardigans, we have full swimming kits, change of clothes, trainers, water bottles, shin pads and jackets. Please do try to pop in for a look before half term.

INSET DAY AND HALF-TERM

- NEXT WEEK FRIDAY—20TH OCTOBER IS AN INSET DAY—SCHOOL IS CLOSED**
- SCHOOL WILL FINISH AT 3.15PM ON THURSDAY 19TH OCTOBER (CLUBS RUN AS NORMAL AFTER SCHOOL)**
- SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED FROM FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER TO FRIDAY 27TH OCTOBER FOR HALF TERM**
- CHILDREN TO RETURN TO SCHOOL ON MONDAY 30TH OCTOBER**



DRIVERS BEWARE



This week, following several complaints from concerned parents and residents, the school was contacted by Surrey Police.

The police are in receipt of photographs and vehicle registration numbers of repeat offenders. They have been in contact with NSL, the UK's leading provider of parking enforcement services to advise them of the escalating dangers surrounding parking and driving at Queen Eleanor's.

We expect to see an increased presence of parking wardens in the area. Hopefully this will begin to alleviate the issues of:

- Parking on yellow lines at any time
- Stopping (even temporarily) to let a child out of a vehicle
- Parking on or partially on pavements
- Driving or reversing on pavements
- Stopping or in some cases parking in the middle of a road
- Stopping or parking on a corner



There are more than enough safe parking areas or stopping points for vehicles in the surrounding streets. A few extra steps is worth avoiding a painful fine, and more importantly, avoiding injury to a child. There is nothing so important worth rushing for that it threatens the safety of others. Please remain considerate at all times.



With the exception of designated parking bays, there should be **NO** parking on Queen Eleanor's Road at any time—it is especially dangerous across from the school itself where traffic builds up due to the narrowing section of the road.

Thank you to those who do park considerately, and who make the effort, where possible, to walk to school. It is noted and appreciated.

The police have advised that should ANY dangerous driving or parking continue to be observed, that you contact NSL on the following number, choosing option 4:

0330 1755930

This will ensure the traffic wardens become a regular feature and not a one-off deterrent.

Make a beetle bucket

You will need

- A bucket, trug, or other durable, upcycled container
- A small craft knife
- Stones



CHECK OUT THIS FUN IDEA FOR HALF TERM...

Fill a bucket with rotting wood and leaves and make the perfect home for all sorts of beetles and other insects. Making your beetle habitat in an old plastic container means you can easily find it again to top up or examine the contents (make sure to replace everything straight away after examining).

1 Safely cut small circular holes (around 3cm wide) in the sides and bottom of the bucket for beetles to enter and exit.



2 Dig a hole just larger



4 Fill the rest of the bucket with bark chips and/or garden leaves, leaving around 10cm at the top to fill with some soil dug from the ground.

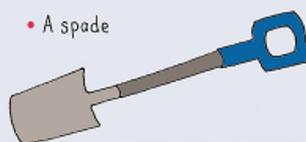


Perfect small garden

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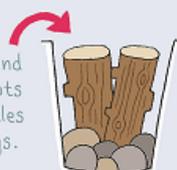


2 Dig a hole just larger than your bucket and sink it into the ground.



3 Place some large stones at the bottom of the bucket, then stand some small logs upright on top.

These will rot and make lovely spots for female beetles to lay their eggs.



4 Fill the rest of the bucket with bark chips and/or garden leaves, leaving around 10cm at the top to fill with some soil dug from the ground.



5 Top the soil with a couple more logs to tempt in beetles - from above or below!



If you'd rather not use plastic, you can simply make your beetle 'bucket' in a hole in the soil.

Perfect for smaller gardens!

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Illustration: Corinne Welch © Copyright: Royal Society of Wildlife Trusts 2011

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Perfect small garden

www.wildaboutgardens.org.uk

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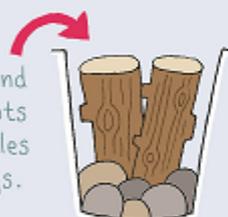


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FUNWEEKS

BOOK ALL 5
DAYS FOR A
10% DISCOUNT!

SCAN TO BOOK



OCTOBER HALF TERM ACTIVE CAMP

QUEEN ELEANOR'S C OF E JUNIOR SCHOOL

MONDAY 23RD - FRIDAY 27TH OCTOBER 2023

£27.50 PER DAY | 9AM - 3PM

FOR CHILDREN
IN YEARS 1 - 7

FREAKY FRIDAY
HALLOWEEN
DISCO!

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info@thepsdgroup.org.uk



0203 397 7409

Be a Chorister for an afternoon

Join the Holy Trinity Choristers for an afternoon in the choir! Play singing games, try on robes, make new friends, and give a **performance of evensong at 6pm**

The Holy Trinity choristers sing on **Thursdays and Sundays every week** and receive a **free musical education**, including singing lessons. Join our choir now to sing at Christmas carol services, Civic Services for the Mayor, and trips to major Cathedrals. There is no cost and no audition.

Sign up for **free** at [HT-choristers-2023.eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.ht-choristers-2023.eventbrite.co.uk)
Contact music@holytrinityguildford.org.uk



Boys, aged 6-11
Sunday 8th October, 4-7pm

Girls, aged 6-13
Sunday 15th October, 4-7pm

Holy Trinity Church, Guildford High Street, GU1 3RR

An exciting sensory adventure this October half-term

14 – 29 October 2023

Children
go free!

We're Going On A Bear Hunt

Wakehurst

Visit [kew.org/wakehurst](https://www.kew.org/wakehurst)
Pre-booking strongly advised



CALENDAR OF EVENTS AUTUMN TERM 2023

Week 1

Friday 1st September 2023

Staff Training Day - School Closed

Monday 4th September 2023

GST Staff Training Day – School Closed

Week 2

Tuesday 5th September 2023

Back to School
Homework Diaries and Curriculum Maps sent home

Wednesday 6th September

Y3 and Y5 Meet the Teacher @3.20pm

Thursday 7th September 2023

Y4 and Y6 Meet the Teacher @ 3.20pm

Week 3

Monday 11th September 2023

Year 6 ILT given out

Voting for House Captains assembly

Tuesday 12th September 2023

Voting for Sports Captains assembly

Thursday 14th September 2023

Individual and Sibling School Photographs

Week 4

Friday 22nd September 2023

Gold/Yellow Mufti Day for Childhood Cancer Awareness

Week 5

Monday 25th September 2023

6pm Literacy Evening for Families

Friday 29th September 2023

9am Macmillan Coffee Morning for Families

Week 6

Monday 2nd October 2023

6pm Mathematics Evening for Families

Wednesday 4th October 2023

Nasal Flu vaccine – all years

Thursday 5th October 2023

9am Prospective Parents' Tour

Friday 6th October 2023

9am 6M Class assembly to Whole School

9.40am 6M Class assembly to Families

Week 7

Monday 9th October 2023

11.30am Prospective Parents' Tour

6pm Maths calculation evening

Week 8

Tuesday 17th October 2023

Y3 Trip to Butser Farm

Thursday 19th October 2023

9.30am Prospective Parent Tour (incl. Head Teacher coffee)

Thursday 19th October 2023

3.15pm Children break up for half term

Friday 20th October 2023

Staff Training Day – School Closed

HALF TERM HOLIDAY – MONDAY 23rd OCTOBER – FRIDAY 27th OCTOBER

Week 9	
Monday 30th October 2023	Back to School
Wednesday 1 st November 2023	2pm Prospective Parent Tour
Thursday 2nd November 2023	Year 5 Stone Age Day (Dress up)
Friday 3rd November 2023	2pm Class assembly to Whole School 2.40pm Class assembly to Families (Class 6W)
Week 10	
Thursday 9th November 2023	Year 6 Trip to the British Museum
Friday 10 th November 2023	Armistice Day
Week 11	
Monday 13 th November 2023	11am Prospective Parent Tour
Wednesday 15 th November 2023	3.30-.7.00pm Book Look for Families No Clubs
Friday 17 th November 2023	Children In Need – wear your spots to school
Week 12	
Tuesday 21 st November 2023	1.30-7.00pm Y3 and Y5 Virtual Parents' Afternoon/Evening 1.30pm House Quiz
Wednesday 22nd November 2023	1.30-7.00pm Y4 and Y6 Virtual Parents' Afternoon/Evening 1.30pm House Quiz
Friday 24 th November 2023	9:30am Prospective Parents' Tour 10am-12pm Carol Service Rehearsal @ the Cathedral
Week 13	
Thursday 30 th November 2023	2pm Class assembly to Whole School 2.40pm Class assembly to Families (Class TBC)
Friday 1 st December 2023	10.30am Whole School Carol Service @ the Cathedral – Fam-
Week 14	
Friday 8 th December 2023	Year 6 ILT due in Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
Week 15	
Monday 11 th December 2023	1.30pm Nativity Dress Rehearsal to Whole School
Tuesday 12 th December 2023	1.30pm Nativity Matinee to Families
Wednesday 13 th December	6pm Nativity Performance to Families
Friday 15 th December 2023	1.15pm Break up for Christmas
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS – Monday 18th December 2023 –Tuesday 2nd January 2024 (Inset day). Children back on Wednesday 3rd January 2024	