

QI Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This term, we have been making every effort to ensure communication with our families is effective and have received positive feedback suggesting this is working. However, we are also aware that some of our parents are not reading our letters or emails and are then missing important information. Please do take a few minutes to read what we send you and please let us know if you do not receive emails or texts from us, as we don't want anyone to miss out.

We have had a number of visits out of school and visitors into school over the last few weeks and we are always delighted to hear feedback about the children's excellent behaviour and fantastic learning attitudes when participating in these events. We look forward to the excitement over the next couple of weeks and to you joining us for the Christmas Performances ahead!

Mrs Allen

New Information



Electronic Sign In System – we have gone paperless and updated our sign in system - it speeds up the signing in/out process and keeps identity information secure.

Autism Information session – for those parents who were unable to attend the afternoon session on 30th November, we would like to signpost you to the Child and Adult Mental Health Service (CAMHS) and Autism Hampshire websites, which have lots of useful information. The Autism Hampshire events are open to people with and without a diagnosis. <https://hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/> and <https://autismhampshire.org.uk/>.

Behaviour Management - Parents often ask us for advice on how to handle the after-school 'meltdown', which is surprisingly common - please click on the following link to the BBC Bitesize Parents' Toolkit for helpful top tips, which we hope you find useful - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z863cxs>

PTA Recruitment – we would like thank the lovely volunteers who have signed themselves up to run our PTA for 2022-23.

The AGM took place on 23rd November and the following officers were elected:

- Chair: Mrs Rowlands
- Vice Chair: Mrs Slack / Mrs Gattrell
- Treasurer: Mrs Goble
- Secretary: Mrs Galliers



Some parents have given us feedback that they would like the school to provide fun activities for the children, but it is a big ask for a small PTA. If you love to shop and spot a bargain - you would make a great PBD shopper! If you are a natural leader then you would be great at organising events, and if you like to engage with the children then you would be great at helping us to run the events. If you can spare any time at all, please support our PTA by picking up a form from the office to sign up, as many hands make light work 😊

Our PTA have already organised a Second Hand Uniform sale (30th Nov), and are busy putting the final arrangements in place for our annual Present Buying Day on Friday 9th December. The popular Krispy Kreme doughnut sale is returning after school on Friday 16th December, so please do come and buy an end of term treat!

The PTA will be holding their first meeting on **6th December from 6pm to 7:30pm** at QI. You are most welcome to come and join us.

Governor Vacancies – in response to our advert in the October edition of our QI Newsletter, we are pleased to have received interest from two parents, in joining our Governing Body.

Christmas Activities – please refer to the 'Christmas at QI 2022' Newsletter for information on the events that will be running during the last two weeks of this Autumn Term.

Secondary



Primary



Would you like to train to teach in a school in your community?

Come along to an information event held at
Queens Inclosure Primary School, Cornelius Drive, Waterloooville PO7 8NT
on **Thursday 1st December 2022.**

This is a drop-in event, so come along anytime between **3-6pm** to chat to Tracy from the SCITT team. Come to reception and we will be in the library- we'd love to meet you!

For further information, please:
visit www.ssfscitt.org.uk ('information events')
or email scitt@sfet.org.uk

Curricular Enrichment Events

During November, our children took part in the following sporting events:

- Ball Skills for 10 children in Years 1 and 2.
- Football Tournament for the Year 6 Boys' Gold Team at Havant & South Downs College – placed 5th. They also had an opportunity to play a friendly fixture against Manav Rachna Sports Academy, hosted by Planet Education, whilst on a 10-day tour from India. We would like to thank Mr Lang (one of our lovely Yr 5 Parents), for making both teams a personalised football pennant as a keepsake of the event.
- Gym Festival for 10 children in Year 2 at Portsmouth Gym Centre.
- Badminton Tournament 12 children in Years 5 & 6 at South Downs College – our teams placed 1st, 2nd and 6th. The winning team have now qualified for County Finals in February.
- Football Tournament at Havant & South Downs College for our Year 6 Boys' Silver Team – placed 4th out of 14 teams, narrowly losing the semi-final on a penalty shootout!



As always, our thanks go to Mr Murray and Mrs Jarrom for organising these events. Congratulations to all those children who participated for their sterling efforts and for being great ambassadors of QI.

Updates and Feedback

Staff Updates - We pass on our congratulations to Mrs Smith who gave birth to a son, and Mrs Burrige who gave birth to a daughter – mothers and babies are doing well ♥. We also welcome Mrs Pulleyblank to the QI team as our new Site Assistant.



Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal – QI collected an incredible £848.32 from the sale of poppies and merchandise this year.

School Council - A massive thank you to all the families who donated to Children In Need – we raised £385.00! This photo shows the pots made by our School Council - they were all bulging with coins! It was lovely to see the children in their Pudsey merchandise and favourite t-shirts, and we hope that everyone enjoyed their glowing bracelets and dancing time during the day. There were plenty of smiles and laughter!



For the next few weeks, the School Council will be looking at ideas placed in our Suggestion Box and organising a few, simple Christmas activities that classes can use if they wish.



As you know, we welcome feedback all year round so please share your comments, suggestions or questions with us via our 'Feedback Form' located on the 'Contact Us' page of our website. Thank you.