# QI Newsletter

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#### Dear Parents/Carers,

As another term comes to an end, it has been wonderful to reflect on the achievements so far this year and the progress the children are making. It is particularly in the Spring when we are so aware of how fortunate we are to have such amazing grounds and the opportunities we can provide for the children to learn outdoors — especially wonderful in the sunshine!



We are most grateful to our local Vicars, Rev. Chris and Rev. Polly who have hosted the children at St Wilfrid's and came into school for our Easter assembly, reminding us of what Easter is about.

We also look forward to seeing the children's World Art Day - Home Learning challenge (which you will receive via email) when we return after the break. It will be a great celebration of our wonderful QI Community!

Thank you as always, for your continued support. Wishing you all a peaceful Easter break.

Mrs Allen

#### **New Information**



**School Meals** – Polite reminder of the **price increase to £3.26** per meal from 31 March 2025. Dolce have updated the menu for the Summer Term effective from **22**<sup>nd</sup> **April** to the **22**<sup>nd</sup> **July**. The menu is available to view and download from the '<u>Lunch</u>' page on our website.

**Easter Holiday Club** – The club offers a variety of fun and engaging activities and will run **Monday to Thursday for both weeks - 7**<sup>th</sup> **to 10**<sup>th</sup> **and 14**<sup>th</sup> **to 17**<sup>th</sup> **April.** To book, please go the "Club" section in the School Money app and select "**April – Holiday Club**".

**After School Clubs** – the timetable of our summer term clubs and letters are available to view and download on the 'Clubs' page on our website. There are now three clubs available for our Foundation learners to attend.

**Announcement: Election Results for Parent Governor** - We are pleased to announce that Mrs. Chinelo King has been successfully elected by our parents, to join the Governing Body as a Parent Governor. We extend our congratulations to Mrs. King and look forward to her contributions to our school community.

We would also like to take this opportunity to extend our sincere thanks to Mrs. Sears and Mr. Wood for their applications and willingness to be involved.

We were surprised by the low number of votes received; only 15% of parents voted. Some votes had to be removed as the unique voter ballot number wasn't entered which rendered them invalid. While it's important for everyone to have their vote, we must also ensure the integrity of the election process. Thank you to those of you who did submit a vote.

Attendance and Punctuality Update - We are pleased to report that punctuality and attendance at QI continues



to improve. Over the past few weeks, we've seen a significant reduction in late arrivals, and we now only have a small number of learners where further improvement is needed. We sincerely appreciate the efforts from our families to ensure that children are arriving on time and ready to learn.

A gentle reminder: our drop-off window is between 8:30am and 8:40am, with the school day officially beginning at 8:40am. Children arriving after 8:50am will need to

be signed in at the office. As always, if we notice any ongoing patterns of lateness, our Child and Family Support Worker will reach out to offer support and guidance. Thank you for your continued commitment.

**Health & Safety** – please can all adults ensure they are supervising their children whilst waiting for the school to open. We have received reports from staff, neighbours and other concerned parents, of children entering the gardens of neighbouring properties, running out into the road by the entrance at Burnside and even through the gates when staff vehicles arrive. We do not want a serious accident to happen!

**Staff Changes** – on 2<sup>nd</sup> April, we bid farewell to Miss Morrison in Yr 3 – we wish her every success for the future.

**School Photos** – Fraser Portraits will be in school on **Wednesday 21**<sup>st</sup> **May**, to take individual and class photos during the school day. If dry, the photos will be taken outside and if wet will be in the hall. Due to restrictions on time, if you want your child to be photographed with their sibling, please contact Fraser Portraits direct on 01202 692433 (opt2) to reserve a sibling photo session at the end of the school day. They will be accepting bookings from 7<sup>th</sup> May.



# **Fundraising**

**Pyjamarama' Dress in Pyjamas Day -** On Tuesday 4th February, we celebrated World Cancer Day with a '*Pyjamarama*' event. We raised £457.15 in **donations** to Sophie's Legacy. The donations will help provide essential support to children and their families during their hospital stays, covering transportation costs and ensuring they have access to meals and basic necessities. Thank you all for your generosity.





**Comic Relief – Red Nose Day!** A huge thank you to everyone who took part and wore red in exchange for a food donation to Growing Places Community Pantry (food bank). Again, your generosity will make a significant difference in the lives of those in need.





## **PTA Update**

**Costumes** - a big thank you to everyone who has donated dress-up costumes! We are still happily accepting any good quality outgrown/unwanted costumes. Please drop them off at the school office.



**Second-hand uniform** - if you have any requests, please email <a href="mailto:pta@queensinclosure.com">pta@queensinclosure.com</a>, and the PTA will be happy to check their stock for you.

**Year 6 Leavers' Hoodies** - The PTA have ordered the hoodies and are pleased each child had a range of colours to choose from. We look forward to seeing the Year 6 children wearing these when they go on their residential in June.

Easter Egg Competition – We look forward to seeing all of the wonderful, creative designs for our Easter Egg

Masterpiece competition. Each child has been invited to create their own unique Easter egg design. The PTA will judge the entries on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> April, and the winners will receive a delicious edible treat.

**Easter Bunny** – will be visiting QI and spreading some Easter cheer (and chocolate!) on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April. It's always lovely to see the children, especially those in Foundation, enjoying the visit.

**PTA Online Events Platform** – The PTA are pleased to announce the launch of a new online platform: PTA Events. Here the PTA will be able to share upcoming events so you can plan your diaries as well as being able to order tickets for selected events in advance. The website has been trialled with the Year 6 parents already and the feedback has been very positive. Please do have a look and check out the PTA Online Events Platform

and the feedback has been very positive. Please do have a look and check out the <u>PTA Online Events Platform</u> **PTA Legoland Special Offer –** Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> July will be an INSET day for QI learners, so why not take advantage



of the PTA's fantastic offer and enjoy a family day out at Legoland! Tickets are usually £39 per person, but thanks to the PTA, you can get them for just £23 each. That's a saving of £16 per ticket!

To book: <u>PTA Online Events Platform</u> Tickets will be sent home with your child the week before the event. Don't miss out on this amazing deal ூ

# **Child and Family Support Worker**

#### **School Nursing Team Information**

The School Nursing Team provides a liaison service between school and home that supports children/young people with a range of developmental disorders and disabilities and also signposts to other services. Parents/carers can contact the School Nursing Team for advice on a range of subjects such as sleep and behaviour, healthy lifestyle and toileting through their ChatHealth texting service:

- Advice for parent/carers of children 0-5 years
   Text ChatHealth on 07520615720
- Advice for parent/carers of children 5-19 years
   Text ChatHealth on 07507332417
- Advice for young people aged 11–19 years
   Text ChatHealth on 07507332160

You can also find health and wellbeing advice on the <u>School Nursing</u> website.

Our staff are able to make referrals to the School Nursing Team on your behalf should you wish to meet with them, however please be aware that the waiting list to be seen is at least 8 weeks. Please speak to your child's Class Teacher or contact our Child and Family Support Worker on CFSW@queensinclosure.hants.sch.uk who will be happy to discuss your concerns and offer you advice and further signposting.

Should you need urgent health advice please contact your GP or call NHS 111. In an emergency please visit A&E or call 999.



### **Future Dates for the Diary**

For Year Group specific events please refer to the <u>website calendar</u>

Spring Term 2025	
31 March	Dolce School Meal Price Increase £3.26 per meal
Summer Term 2025	
7 – 21 April	School closed Easter Holiday – (Children return to school on Tuesday 22 April)
7 – 10 April 14 – 17 April	NEW Easter Holiday Club – (Booking Required through School Money)
22 April	Back to School <sup>(3)</sup>
5 May	School closed for Bank Holiday
21 <b>M</b> ay	<b>NEW</b> Class and Individual Photographs. Family Portraits available after school and require booking through Fraser Portraits directly.  Further information for children who have P.E on this date will be sent after the Easter
	Break.
1 July	NEW Sports Day – KS2 AM (9:00) and KS1 PM (13:00)
4 July	School closed for INSET (Staff training)



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