

Welcome Back!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Reception, Year 1 and Year 6

This week we welcomed back Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. The classrooms and school in general look very different to normal. The children have been really good about staying two metres apart with the help of some paw prints on the floor and are also very good at washing their hands frequently.

Health and Safety Audit

This week we had an external Health and Safety Audit from a company called Good Skills. It was a good report. Here are two quotes from the report:

“You should be immensely proud of how your staff have pulled together to make your site as safe as you can in preparation for re-opening.”

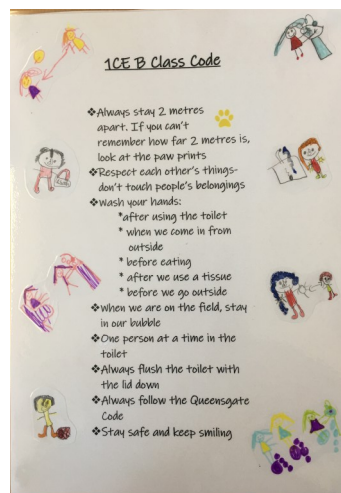
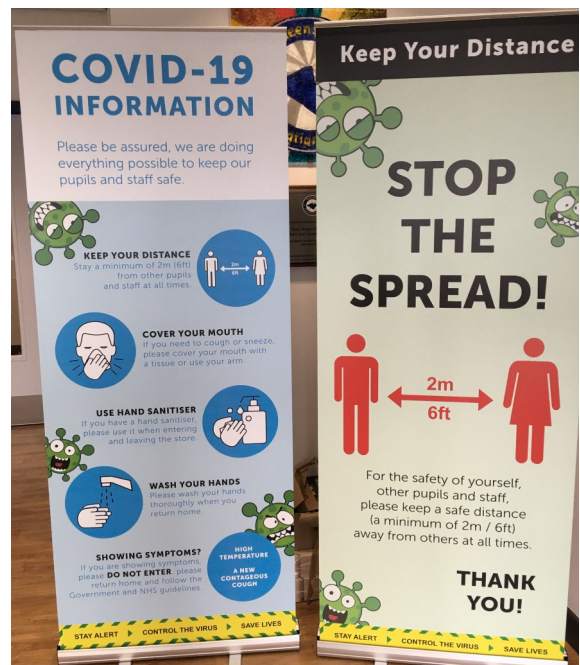
“I think the school have done a great job to ensure the safety of its children, staff, parents and visitors.”



Coronavirus Update

If your child has a cough or a temperature or feels unwell, please let us know. Do not send them into school. If someone shows symptoms at school we will isolate them and call the parents. You would need to collect them from school immediately. The advice is for the person to get a test (0333 321 8865). We would also tell the parents of children from within their group and they would need to isolate for 14 days or until a test result came back negative.

Here is a picture of our banners in the reception area.



Some of the children have made their own Covid Codes. Here is 1CE B's one:

Please remember

Do not send your child back to school unless you have contacted us at least 24 hours in advance. Many thanks.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Sausage Roll	Cheese and Tomato Whirl	Vegetable Pasty	Fishfinger filled Baguette
Filled Baguette	Filled Baguette	Filled Baguette	Filled Baguette	Filled Baguette
Carrot and Cucumber Sticks	Carrot and Cucumber Sticks	Carrot and Cucumber Sticks	Carrot and Cucumber Sticks	Carrot and Cucumber Sticks
Cooks Choice of Cake or Biscuit Piece of Fruit Milk or Water	Cooks Choice of Cake or Biscuit Piece of Fruit Milk or Water	Cooks Choice of Cake or Biscuit Piece of Fruit Milk or Water	Cooks Choice of Cake or Biscuit Piece of Fruit Milk or Water	Cooks Choice of Cake or Biscuit Piece of Fruit Milk or Water

(Please note that this is subject to change and menu options will be given on the day)

Home Learning

Children in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5 will continue to receive home learning packs. We will also continue to give Reception children some home learning ideas. Years 1 and 6 will no-longer have home learning packs because every adult from those teams is working in school. However, there are plenty of online resources to help which can be found on our website

<https://www.queensgateprimary.co.uk/children/additional-learning-resources>.

In addition <https://www.thenational.academy/> is a really clear learning tool which provides videos to watch about the learning with online activities to follow. You could also try

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>.

If you feel you need support please get in touch with your class teacher, Mrs Grant, Mr Chubb or me.

Road Crossing Patrol

Mrs Hayden has handed in her resignation from both her road crossing patrol and lunchtime supervisor role. She has held these positions for a considerable amount of time and we would like to thank her for the service to our community over this period. In September it is unlikely that a road crossing supervisor will be re-employed so please bear this in mind if your children are walking to and from school on their own.



Summer School

You may have seen rumours in the press about schools opening during the summer break, for clarity Queensgate Foundation Primary will not be open during the summer holidays. We will be working hard to ensure a safe return for all in September.

Positive Quote

Life is like a maths equation- in order to gain the most you must learn how to convert negatives into positives!

Best wishes

Mrs Sillito



SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS

No child or adult should be made to feel unsafe. Everyone has a right to be safe from harm and abuse. All of us have a role to play in safeguarding, never more so than during COVID-19.

You have a major role to play in protecting children and adults at risk of harm and abuse – now more than ever.

Right now, vulnerable children and adults may be particularly isolated, meaning that the family, community and professional networks they usually rely on may be unavailable or hard to access. At the same time, living under the current arrangements may increase the pressures that can contribute to abuse and neglect, or allow it to go unseen. Neighbours, volunteers and professionals – like pharmacists, shop and supermarket workers – can play a vital role in keeping adults and children safe.

When supporting others during the COVID-19 outbreak, you may well come into contact with children and adults who are at risk of harm or abuse. In these situations, recognising the potential signs of harm or abuse, and knowing what to do if you have a concern, can make a real difference. You should not ignore your concerns or assume that someone else will report the abuse.

What kind of signs to look out for

Abuse and neglect could fall under a number of categories, including domestic, physical, psychological and/or emotional, economic, or sexual.

Although not an exhaustive list, some signs to look for in contact with individuals at risk of harm or abuse include:

- unusual injuries, including bruises, burns, fractures, bite marks or signs of self-harm
- consistently poor hygiene, poor living conditions or inappropriate clothing
- communicating aggressively or using sexual language
- appearing withdrawn, guarded, anxious or frightened, particularly around certain individuals
- hearing or seeing shouting, violence or intimidation
- adults keeping children, or adults in need of support, from view, and
- unsupervised children visiting a house where only adults live.

Further material on the signs to spot to protect children can be found at <https://tacklechildabuse.campaign.gov.uk>

For more information on signs of abuse that can affect adults, please see the Social Care Institute for Excellence guidance on safeguarding adults during the pandemic: <https://www.scie.org.uk/care-providers/coronavirus-covid-19/safeguarding-adults>

What to do if you have a concern

If you suspect a crime is being or has been committed, or a vulnerable person is in immediate danger, call 999 immediately and ask for the police. If you are unable to call because of hearing or speech impairments, use the emergency text service: www.emergencysms.net

Even if you are not sure, but are worried that someone may be at risk of harm or abuse, you should speak to your manager or the safeguarding lead in your organisation, if it has one. Charities can find further help and guidance on handling concerns at <https://safeguarding.culture.gov.uk>

You can also contact the relevant social care team at your local council, or through other local referral routes if known. Find the contact details to report a concern about a child or adult to your local council here: www.myguideapps.com/projects/safeguarding/default/

Alternatively, the NSPCC Helpline is available for anyone who would like to talk through a safeguarding concern about a child. It can be contacted online via www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/our-services/nspcc-helpline or on 0808 800 5000.

If you are concerned that someone is at risk of domestic abuse, find more information and support services here: www.gov.uk/domestic-abuse

If you suspect someone may be a victim of modern slavery, contact the Salvation Army's confidential 24/7 referral helpline on 0800 808 3733 or visit: www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-support-for-victims-of-modern-slavery/



**YOU
SAVE ME
CAN**

KNOW

During lockdown, some children and young people may be being abused and exploited at home. They can be made to believe that they should never tell anyone and that the abuse is their fault. Shut in with their abusers, they have little chance to escape or to tell anyone.

These children need your help. As a neighbour or key worker visiting homes for any reason, you may be the only person able to spot abuse and report it.

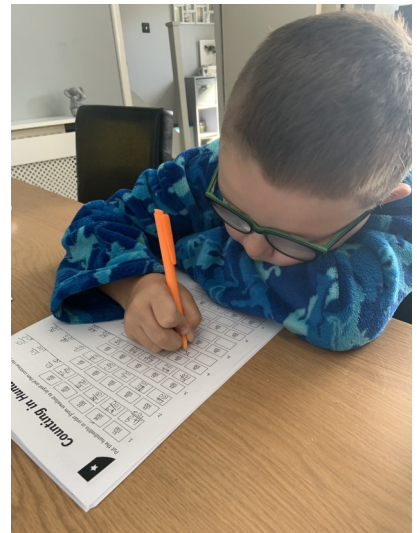
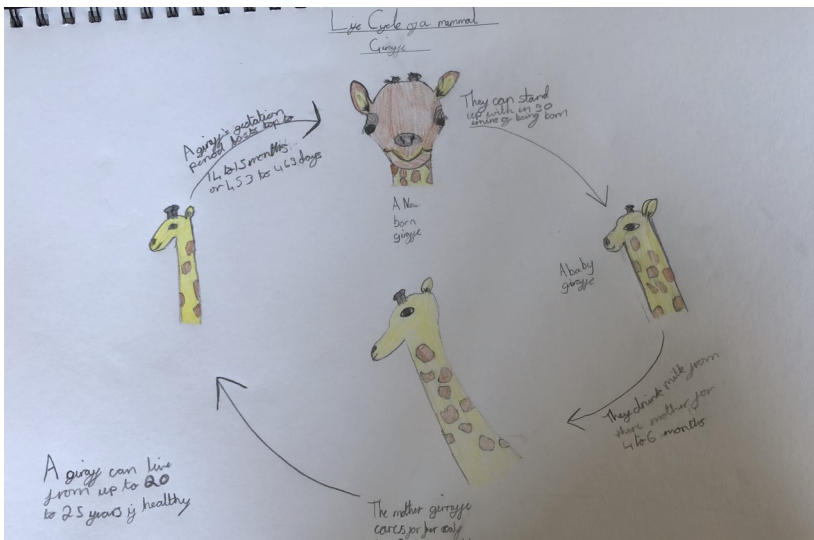
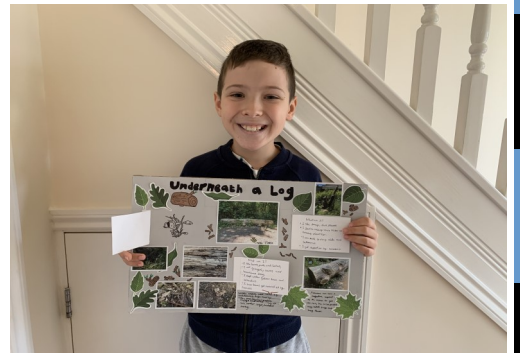
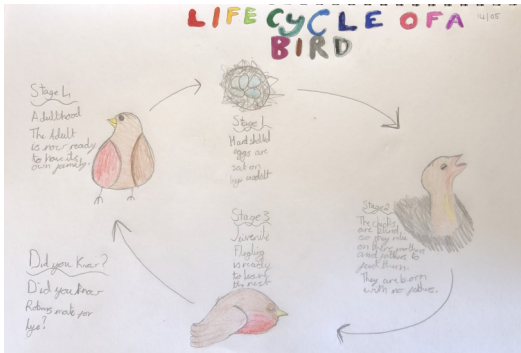
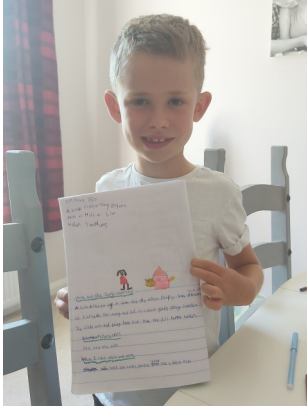
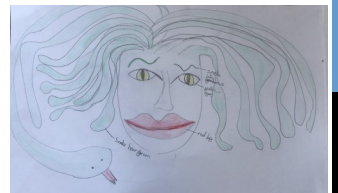
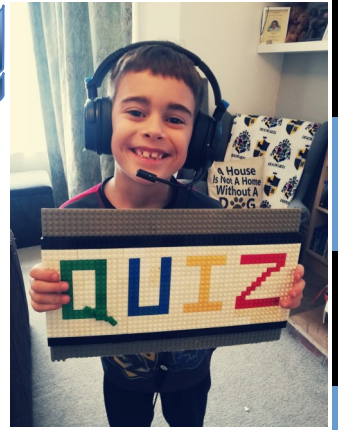
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- Guarded behaviour of a child around particular individuals
- Sudden changes in behaviour
- Children with bruises, burns, bite marks or fractures
- Children appearing withdrawn, anxious or frightened
- Hearing or seeing shouting and violence towards a child
- Children seen carrying or using drugs
- Children being late or arriving home late in different cars
- Unaccompanied children visiting a house where only adults live

ACT

- Stay curious and look beyond the obvious
- If something doesn't feel right, it might not be
- Even if you're unsure, it's better to report your concerns
- Do not attempt to intervene yourself
- If you have a safeguarding manager / lead within your organisation, notify them immediately
- Call the police on 101 or 999 in an emergency
- Call the NSPCC on 0808 800 5000

Homeschool Heroes!



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