



Queensgate Newsletter

A newsletter for the pupils, families and staff of Queensgate Primary



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Dear Families,

High Expectations

We have one overarching aim this academic year and that is to raise attainment. We are absolutely committed, as a team, to raise attainment for all children. Our beliefs as adults can affect children through things we say and the behaviours we exhibit. I would like to invite you to express positive beliefs to your children about what they can achieve both at school and in life in general. Our fluency strand is working on pace and being able to automatically be able to do tasks. Please join us in supporting the youngest children with their fluency in phonics – this will directly impact their reading. Please hear your child read every day. This will help their fluency in reading. In Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children continue to use Kinetic letters to help support them with their fluency in handwriting. If children learn to read and write fluently in the younger years it means they are in a better place when they get into Key Stage 2 to tackle the curriculum with confidence. If you have any questions about aiming high please get in touch.

Age Related Expectations (ARE)

Here are links to end of year expectations for all year groups. These are the main things they will be learning in reading, writing and maths between now and July. I thought it would be useful for you to have them, so that you know what we are aiming for and you can support them with their learning journey at home. If you have any questions please let one of us know and we can see if we can help you.

[Year 1](#); [Year 2](#); [Year 3](#); [Year 4](#); [Year 5](#); [Year 6](#);

Multiplication Tables

Learning times tables is so important as it underpins so much of the maths curriculum. Here are the expectations for each year group:

Year 1 Count in multiples of 2, 5 and 10, recall and use doubles of all numbers to 10 and corresponding halves.

Year 2 Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

Year 3 Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 times tables.

Year 4 Recall and use multiplication and division facts for all multiplication times tables up to 12 x 12.

Year 5 Revision of all times tables and division facts up to 12 x 12

Year 6 Revision of all times tables and division facts up to 12 x 12

Therefore, we would expect children in Year 4 to know all their times tables and division facts up to 12 x 12 and they will be tested on this through a National online screen based test. Please do work with your children around learning their times tables and division facts. Thank you.

Assessment Information for Parents

Primary school pupils in England take part in the:

- reception baseline assessment: within the first six weeks of entering Reception
- early years foundation stage profile assessment: between April and June of the academic year in which they turn five (usually the reception year)
- phonics screening check: in June of Year 1
- key stage 1 tests: optional, at the school's discretion, at the end of Year 2
- multiplication tables check: in June of Year 4
- key stage 2 tests (sometimes referred to as SATs): in May of Year 6

[Below is a link, for parents, to find out further information on any of the above assessments. I would strongly encourage you to have a read of any relevant ones your child is due to sit.](#)

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-curriculum-assessments-information-for-parents>

Parents/Carers Evenings

We have parents and carers evenings coming up before half term. Booking for this will be on Compass and will go live from 6pm on Monday 27th January.

Queensgate Out & About

On Tuesday morning, our **Reception** Out and About group visited Nettlecombe Farm in Whitwell. The children loved learning about all of the animals on the farm and especially enjoyed feeding the sheep, chickens, alpacas and donkeys. It was great to see the children so confident around the animals and keen to help with feeding time.



Last week our **Year 4** Out and About team visited Appley Beach. They were challenged to work in small groups to create their own sculptures on the sand, in the style of Andy Goldsworthy. The children were all very focused, gathering and sorting stones and shells to create their masterpieces together.



Swimming- Year 3 and Year 5

Swimming lessons are underway, and the children are already amazing us with their eagerness and determination to improve their swimming skills. A huge well done so far to all of our Year 3 and Year 5 swimmers for your positivity and enthusiasm. Keep up the good work!

This week our Swimming certificates are awarded to...

Year 3: Henry H, Logan Y, Brody, Figgy, AJ and Clara.

Year 5: Destiny-Grace, Georgia, Oscar G, Oscar S, Katelyn and Joshua.



Queensgate Out & About

Please send your child to school wearing warm, old play-clothes and bring wellies (extra socks), a warm and waterproof coat, hat, scarf and gloves. We will be going out whatever the weather so please ensure your child is dressed appropriately. Many thanks in advance for your support.

Tuesday 28th January am -

Reception RLM

Nettlecombe Farm

Ryder, Evie, Ráfe, Freddie, Alf, Aurelia, Myah, Nia, Stanley, Teddi, Finley, Freya and Alfie K.

Wednesday 29th January am -

Year 4

Beach Sculptures

Arlo, Max, Mia, Albi, Ellie, Kamahlie, Leo, Samuel, Corey, Daisy, Esmae, Luna and Darcie.

Tuesday 4th February am -

Reception RJB

Nettlecombe Farm

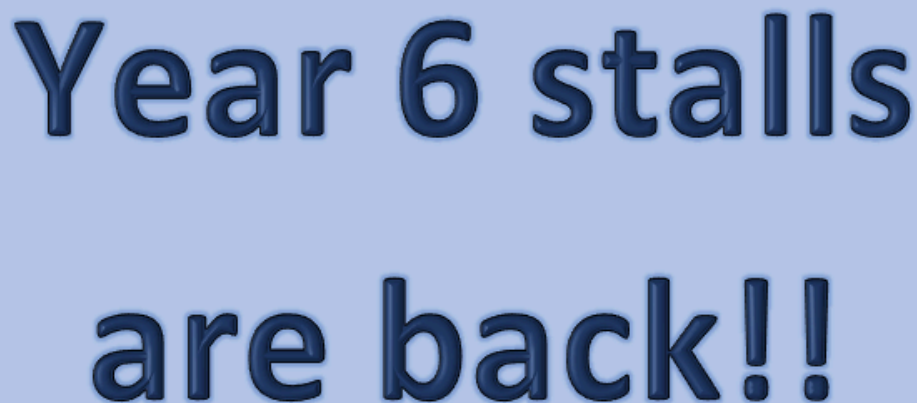
Albie, Luna, Harvey, Jessie, Isaac, Ellisa, Marley, Raiyn, Demi, Dexter, Andy, Elliot and Ernest.

Wednesday 5th February am -

Year 4

Beach Sculptures

Ollie, Callum, Freddie, Dexter, Peyton, Danielle, Tylan, Bayley, Ayrton, Ralph, Bonnie, Lillie-Mae and Juniper.



**Year 6 stalls
are back!!**

This Easter, 6LR and 6TM are bringing back the Year 6 stalls! They are currently busy planning their craft products and getting them ready to put on sale for the rest of the school. Keep an eye out for more information soon!

Sinfonietta Workshop - Year 4

On Wednesday, as part of their PPA activities, Year 4 were treated to a visit from a composer and some musicians from London Sinfonietta. Philippa mesmerised the children with her amazing violin playing and experimental techniques which inspired the children to then compose their own pieces of music. 4BM composed a brilliant song about summer turning to winter and 4MC composed group pieces based on pattern, rhythm and pulse. Year 4 were a credit to the school with their engagement and creativity.



Did you know?

Following the completion of the Solar Panel installation, there will be a final visit to the school by the engineers to commission the system and check it is up to standard and working correctly. Once this is done the school will be provided with a link so that we can check what the system is generating. Some of the children have been handing in their solar panel posters to Mrs. Sillito; keep them coming – there are prizes! Winners were announced in the assemblies today.

Eco Tips!

Energy conservation is one of the most important things we can all do to reduce our carbon footprint.

- Check your electricals – are they on stand-by?
- Buying new white goods? Check their energy efficiency rating
- Maybe consider having your own solar panels!
- Change your light bulbs to energy efficient ones
- Don't forget to bleed your radiators



*Inspiring children to contribute to a greener
environment and world
is something we could and should do*

Promoting Positive Behaviours

INTRODUCTION SESSION FOR PARENTS



Do you need support in understanding your child's behaviours?
The MHST is offering parent-led sessions to provide you with skills focusing on reinforcement, boundaries, rewards and emotional recognition.

What we will be covering:

- Overview of workshops
- What is behaviour?
- ABC model
- Big emotions
- How to support your child
- Emotional literacy
- Coping tools
- Breathing techniques
- MHST support

Location: Queensgate Primary School

Date: Wednesday 29th January 2025

Time: 1-3pm



ABC



If you are interested in this workshop, please speak with Mr Chubb or Mrs Jeffers

mental
health
support
TEAM



What's for lunch next week ...



Chartwells Schools		WEEK 2				
		W/C: 11/11, 02/12, 06/01, 27/01, 24/02, 17/03				
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
AUTUMN/WINTER 2024	HOT SPECIALS	Veggie Supreme Pizza 🌱🍷 Served with Plain Pasta	Beef Bolognese 🍷🍷 Served with Wholewheat Pasta	Roast Pork Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken and Vegetable Pie Served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Crispy Chicken Burger Served with Chips
	JACKET POTATO	Vegetable Fajita 🌱🍷🍷 Served with Wholegrain Rice	Chinese Vegetable Noodles 🌱	Winter Vegetable Hotpot 🌱 Served with Gravy	Macaroni Cheese 🌱	Quorn Dippers 🌱 Served with Chips
	JACKET POTATO	Jacket Potatoes 🍷🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings
	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato sauce with penne pasta 🌱🍷					
	All main meals are served with two vegetables					
DESSERT	Crunchy Chocolate Mousse	Apple and Cinnamon Sponge with Custard 🌱	Fruits of the Forest Jelly	Chocolate Cookie	Orange Glazed Sticky Sponge Pudding 🌱	

And the week after...

Chartwells Schools		WEEK 3				
		W/C: 18/11, 09/12, 13/01, 03/02, 03/03, 24/03				
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
AUTUMN/WINTER 2024	HOT SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza 🌱🍷 Served with Potato Wedges	Pork Sausages Served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Roast Chicken Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken and Vegetable Korma Served with Wholegrain Rice	Fish Fingers Served with Chips
	JACKET POTATO	BBQ Quorn Fillet 🌱🍷🍷 Served with Wholegrain Rice	Quorn Sausages 🌱 Served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Roasted Vegetable and Cranberry Slice 🌱 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Tomato and Sweetcorn Pasta 🌱🍷🍷	Cheese and Sweetcorn Omelette 🌱 Served with Chips
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	All main meals are served with two vegetables					
DESSERT	Chocolate Brownie with Orange Slices 🌱	Bread and Butter Pudding with Custard	Oat Cookie with Fruit 🌱	Lemon Shortbread	Vanilla Ice Cream	

Attendance

Whole School Attendance since September is 94.33%

Whole School Attendance this week is 94.36%

KS1 Class with best attendance this week is 1CE with 100%

KS2 Class with best attendance this week is 3AH with 97.8%



Thank you GKN!

I would like to thank GKN who have very kindly donated £300 to go towards Dance Live costumes. It is very much appreciated and will go along way to making sure that the children of Queensgate who are attending Dance Live, will stand out!

See your goal
Understand the obstacles
Create a positive mental picture
Clear your mind of self doubt
Embrace the challenge
Stay on track
Show the world you can do it!



Chat

READ

play

Have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes,

Sillito

Samantha Sillito
Headteacher





COMMUNITY FOOTBALL

TUESDAY EVENINGS

Holy Cross Primary School
Millfield Avenue, East Cowes PO32 6AS

6pm - 7pm

Reception to Year 6

Every Tuesday all year round

£20 Per Month

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SCAN ME



ROCK SOLID.

Hello my name is Beryl Harrison and I help run a church Youth Club called ROCK SOLID, for school years 5 – 8. held monthly at the hall underneath St Davids Church in Cannought Road, East Cowes from 7.15 – 8.45.

We would love to see some new faces, The first visit is free then just 50p per visit. We are supported by the Rock Solid team on the island there are several groups around and we occasionally link up for joint activities.

We organise a variety of team games and challenges.

We have a small tuck shop where the children can buy sweets at the end of the evening. If you are interested and want more information Parents can contact me on. [07584176918.](tel:07584176918)

HALF TERM DRAMA CAMPS

Early Stellar Stars only £12.50 & Supernovas only £16!

LLAMA DRAMA
Drama Classes for 19m - 12 Yrs

DRAMA(TIC) GAMES!

FUN & SILLINESS!

ROLE-PLAY!

Join us for exciting drama games, imaginative role-play, fun improv activities and teamwork challenges that will spark creativity and build confidence! Limited sessions and spaces so book now!

~ Venues & Dates ~

Cowes - Cowes Combined Services & Social Club
~ Monday 17th Feb only ~

- Early Stellar Stars (4-7): 9.45am-12pm
- Supernovas (8-12): 1-4pm (12pm early drop-off)

East Cowes - Holy Cross Catholic Primary School
~ Wednesday 19th Feb only ~

- Early Stellar Stars (4-7): 9.45am-12pm
- Supernovas (8-12): 1-4pm (12pm early drop-off)

Newport - Gunville Methodist Church Hall
~ Thursday 20th Feb only ~

- Early Stellar Stars (4-7): 9.45am-12pm
- Supernovas (8-12): 1-4pm (12pm early drop-off)

Get in Touch!

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JANUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER

I.W. STORY FESTIVAL

FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

DON'T MISS THIS FUN FAMILY FESTIVAL DURING FEBRUARY HALF TERM!

Thursday 20th to Saturday 22nd February

Come and see me at Quay Arts in February!

Tickets are now on sale for the I.W. Story Festival at Quay Arts during February half term from www.iwstoryfestival.com. It's a chance to meet performers and writers like Maz Evans (pictured on the left) creator of *Who Let the Gods Out*, who will be with us on Friday 21st Feb.

After wowing audiences at our Stories in Schools in June, poet Paul Lyalls returns for the main festival

There is so much to do at the I.W. Story Festival!

Find out how top authors like M G Leonard, Naomi Ishiguro, Roopa Farooki (left), and Gareth Peter create their books

Be inspired by performances including Woodland Tales with Granddad (pictured on right); Brutal, Pinocchio and Asian Dance

Imagine new characters in the Secret Library or with the roll of dice, and picture the stories created by storytellers Steph Brittain, Holly Medland and Sue Bailey

HUNT FOR THE GOLDEN SCARAB

Puppet tales from Pickled Image

SOME QUESTION YOU MAY WANT TO ASK...

Q: Do I need to get my tickets in advance?
A: It's a good idea – they're selling fast! Go to: www.iwstoryfestival.com to buy yours now.

Q: How much are tickets?
A: Some are **TOTALLY FREE**, others cost £4 to £6

Q: Is it just for people who like reading?
NO! The I.W. Story Festival isn't just about books! There are lots of hands-on activities for you to try, including the art of paper folding, drawing dastardly cartoons, creating a book scene and many others.

Pick up a programme from Quay Arts or any library

More information from: www.iwstoryfestival.com

Registered charity number: 1198024

