



# QUEENSMEAD PRIMARY ACADEMY

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## Purple Post

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### Principal's Message

*We want our school to be a place where we are safe: to learn, have fun and work hard. A place where we are kind and mindful of everyone and have positive attitudes for our bright futures.*

*We've had more exciting events and opportunities since the last newsletter- this week has been 'Performance Week' with Y3,4,5,6 enjoying a sneak preview of a Spark Art festival performance of Josephine (playing at Curve this weekend) and Y1 and 2 being entertained by a performance of 'Butterflies', again through our partners at Spark Art. Year 4 pupils performed at the Poetry Jam at the Y theatre yesterday and Y5 Braunstone Beats musical extravaganza was enjoyed by all. Well done to all our performers!*  
*Liz Latham*

As a school we are following Government guidelines to stay safe. <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public>

### COVID GUIDANCE:

Your child should **not** be in school if they have tested positive for COVID-19.

Your child should **not** be in school if they have:

-a high temperature

-a new, continuous cough

-loss or change to sense of smell/taste

If your child has symptoms, keep them at home and arrange to have them tested- keep them at home while you wait for the results – let us know as soon as possible if they have symptoms or have been for a test.

A few more dates for your diary this term:

11<sup>th</sup> Feb – break up for half term

21<sup>st</sup> Feb – Y5 Bikeability starts

21<sup>st</sup> Feb – Yr 6 WW2 Dress up day

21<sup>st</sup> Feb – Girls football at New College

22<sup>nd</sup> Feb – Yr 6 SATS parent meeting

2:45pm

22<sup>nd</sup> Feb – Y4 Bradgate Park

23<sup>rd</sup> Feb- Wheelchair Basketball

experience Y4,5,6

25<sup>th</sup> Feb – Yr 6 Warning Zone

3<sup>rd</sup> March- World Book Day

18<sup>th</sup> March – Red Nose Day

### Honours Awards Spring 1

Rod Campbell - Gabriella

Sue Hendra - Vildan

Julia Donaldson - Olivia

Mini Grey - Lucas

Eric Carle - Scarlet

Jill Murphy - Lillie

David McKee- Poppy

Michael Rosen- Lily-Mae

Andy Shepherd - Ishita

Michael Morpurgo- Hope

Kieran Larwood- Logan

M G Leonard - Amira

C S Lewis- Romeo

Gill Lewis - Franciszek

Anthony Browne - Theo

'For the effort and enthusiasm, he/she has dedicated to becoming a Star Writer!'

### Changes to ordering a school meal for your child

You have received information this week about the changes to ordering meals for your children in school through ParentPay. This starts from Monday after half term. Meals for the first week back will need to be ordered by **THIS SUNDAY**, and then a week in advance going forward. **ALL** children

that require a school meal will need to be ordered on ParentPay. This includes Free School Meals, and Infant School Meals (F2 – Y2) Please ensure that you order for the Monday after half term before THIS SUNDAY.

### World Book Day 3rd March

Celebrate in traditional QPA style!

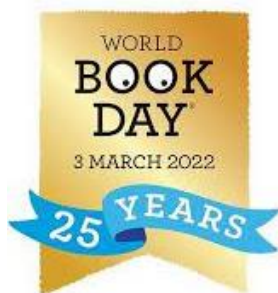
Please send your child into school dressed up as their favourite book character (with their favourite book if possible) on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. We will be having assemblies for Key Stage 1 and 2 to show off the fantastic costumes with a visit from a Storyteller. We will also hold a Bear Book Hunt around the school alongside other exciting competitions. Children will also receive their £1 book tokens. Keep your eyes peeled for more detailed information after half term.

Mr Gobey

### Maths Challenges

Please encourage you children to take part in the monthly maths challenge on our website. Prize and a certificate for the winning entry.

[www.queensmeadacademy.org/mathschallenge](http://www.queensmeadacademy.org/mathschallenge)



Over half term, why not check out the Spark festival with lots of free workshops, performances and fun things to do. More details here

<https://thesparkarts.co.uk/festival/>

Goodbye and good luck to Miss Bradley and Mrs Perkins who are leaving us to take up new opportunities. Thank you both for all your hard work and commitment to the Queensmead team.

### F2 Local area walk - Thanks

Huge thanks to all of the parents and carers that supported our F2's with their local area walk this week. It is really appreciated.

### Police informed.

Following complaints from our lovely neighbours on Camville Rd, we have informed the Police about an ongoing littering problem. Please encourage your child not to litter and remember to take your own rubbish home.



## Fairy tale Fiasco at QPA

### Y3 Pupils left with a Mystery

On Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January about 6.00am at Queensmead Primary Academy, something mysterious had happened. This was in the children's learning area outside the year 3 classroom. Things have been knocked over like chairs and a table.

After year 3 had seen the crime scene, they saw a note that said, "It's time for you to know the truth, traditional tales are not what they seem. Catch me to see what I mean."

"I couldn't believe it" commented Mr Ingall, QPA's Premises Officer, was interviewed by year 3 to find out about the crime scene. The year 3 class asked Mr Ingall some questions like,

"Have you checked the cameras?" asked Mark. Mr Ingall commented "Yes, but it was unclear and going very fast."

"Could you see someone suspicious?" reported Israel, "Yes but it was going 100mph so it was just black and white" described Mr Ingall.

Last week QPA's Deputy Principal (Mrs Catlow) had sent year 3 a video about what she had seen and heard. She saw a monstrous foot slam down. She also heard a booming voice that replied.

"Fee fi fo thumb, I'll show these children what I mean."

"I'm terrified and scared" stated Mrs Catlow.

She also saw a colossal shadow across the playground.



### The vandalism at Queensmead Primary Academy

Unfortunately, the crime is still unsolved but year 3 will find out who did this terrible mess. If you find the criminal, please contact QPA immediately.

Journalist: Imaan in Year 3

## Have a great half term break.