



# QUEENSMEAD PRIMARY ACADEMY

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## Purple Post

Friday 3/3/23

Issue 264

### 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.*

*Welcome back after what I hope was a restful and enjoyable half term break. It was great to see pupils looking so smart and eager to be back on Monday. What has been even more brilliant is the way that you have supported our efforts to celebrate World Book Day - it was wonderful to see so many families enjoying the Bear Hunt after school on Tuesday despite the rain and cold! Thank you also for the creativity and imagination you've shown in providing such a huge range of costumes and outfits for World Book Day yesterday - I always love to see the school turned into a living library! The pupils looked phenomenal! Well done everyone!*

*Liz Latham*  
*Principal.*

### Non-Uniform Day next Friday

The Y6 Eventrrprise Team have asked if they can organise a non-uniform fundraising day to support Turkey and Syria who have been so badly affected by the recent earthquakes. Next Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March will be a non-uniform day – look out for the Eventerprise flyer next week for more information- donations of £1 or even more if you are able. Thank you.

### Dates for your Diary

Archery Yr 1, 2 and 3	6 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Girls Football @ New College	6 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Yr 6 Phoenix Cinema	9 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Yr 1 & 5 Fire and Rescue presentation	9 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Non-uniform Day-	10 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Archery Yr 4, 5, and 6	13 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Boys Football @ New College	13 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Yr 6 Warning Zone	14 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Rocksteady Concert	15 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Yr 2 Parent Reading event	17 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Skateboarding Yr 4, 5 and 6	21 <sup>st</sup> Mar
Parents Evening – Late	21 <sup>st</sup> Mar
Scooter Day Yr 1, 2 and 3	22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar
Parents Evening – Early	22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar
Yr 4 Year Group Assembly	24 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Boys Football @ New College	27 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Yr 4 Alice in Wonderland workshop	28 <sup>th</sup> Mar
F2 Brite Centre	29 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Yr 4 St Annes	30 <sup>th</sup> Mar

### Attendance

#### Matters

Our target for this year is 96%. We aim to achieve this every week and encourage you to help us. Overall, attendance to date from last term is 95% We urgently need to try and improve this. The class with the highest attendance is Rashmi Sirdeshpande class with 99% Well done!

Please also be aware that school starts at 8.50am If your child arrives any later than this then they are late.

### Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....



### Tree Planting Event!

As part of our drive to improve the school grounds whilst supporting the environment, biodiversity and the climate crisis, we will be holding a tree-planting event for you to come into school to plant a tree with your child- look out for more details soon!

### Move It March!

You may have noticed from the diary above that we have lots of opportunities to 'Move It' during March – why not support us in our drive to encourage pupils to get more active by walking/ running to school and following this link for great ideas to do at home with no cost- could also help with your own fitness!

<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/activities/>



## Help! Wellies still needed!

If you have any wellies at home gathering dust that you no longer need, please donate them to school. We would love to be able to have a supply of wellies to properly equip all pupils for their Forest Schools sessions. All junior and adult sizes needed. Thanks!

**Not sure how to keep your children occupied during the Easter holidays?!**

**Want some help with this? Do you receive benefits-related Free School Meals?**

### Easter Holiday Activities and Food Programme - for eligible free school meal children

The Easter Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF) is available for children eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

Eligible children can register to attend one HAF programme over Easter, where they will receive a healthy lunch each day that they attend.

There are over 40 programmes taking place across the city for you to choose from. Spaces will be allocated on a first come first served basis to children and young people who meet all of the following criteria:

- live in Leicester City, or live outside of the city but attend a city school
- are receiving benefits related free school meals
- are in the age range for that programme

Please follow this link to find out where your nearest provider will be [list of programme providers](#) or this link to get more details directly from [families.leicester.gov.uk/haf](https://families.leicester.gov.uk/haf).

Book as soon as possible to avoid disappointment-places are limited.

Please see the flyers below

**Registration will close on Sunday 12 March 2023.**

## Ordering School Meals:

Please remember to login to your ParentPay account to order your child's school meals. Please check the dates below to book in advance for future weeks:

w/c 13<sup>th</sup> March book by Sun 5<sup>th</sup> March

w/c 20<sup>th</sup> March book by Sun 12<sup>th</sup> March

w/c 27<sup>th</sup> March book by Sun 19<sup>th</sup> March

Booking is available up until Easter.



## Congratulations Y5!

Well done to our Y5 pupils who worked so hard to learn all the safety rules around cycling both on the playground and around the local area. Many of them passed both level 1 and 2! Such an important part of keeping safe on the roads. Great work!

**Not in receipt of benefits-related Free School Meals and would like your child to attend an Easter Club?**



**Aimstrong Sports are running a 4 day course from April 11<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> with opportunities to receive football training/ competitions/ table tennis/ penalty shoot-outs and more!**

**Please see the flyer below for prices and the chance to get an 'early-bird discount' as well as discounts for siblings or click here for more details <https://www.aimstrongsport.com/>.**



**Fabulous effort from Y1 with your amazing castles and buildings using 3 D shapes! Well done everyone!**





# EASTER FOOTBALL, TABLE TENNIS & SAQ

**LIMITED SPACES!**

EASTER HAF (HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES & FOOD) FREE TO CHILDREN IN RECEIPT OF A BENEFITS RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEAL. A LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED EACH DAY TO CHILDREN WHO REGISTER. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA IS APPLICABLE AND ADVANCE BOOKING IS NEEDED

**3<sup>RD</sup>, 4<sup>TH</sup>, 5<sup>TH</sup> & 6<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**  
**10AM-3PM**

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FOR FURTHER INFO

AGE GROUP  
**6-14  
YEARS**  
GIRLS & BOYS

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DAILY ACTIVITIES WILL INCLUDE FOOTBALL TRAINING & MATCHES, COMPETITIONS, PENALTY SHOOT OUTS, TABLE TENNIS, SAQ-SPEED, AGILITY & QUICKNESS PLUS ARTS & CRAFTS

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REGISTER VIA  
CITY COUNCIL  
WEBSITE OR  
SCAN THE  
QR CODE:



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