



# 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.*

*The beautiful sunshine is having a great impact - lots of our spring bulbs have started to grow and are brightening up the playground, planters and grassy areas - we're still waiting for more to show through the grass too- it's hard to be patient! In EYFS over the last week, it's been amazing to see the ducklings hatching from eggs and taking their first waddles/ swims and racing round the classrooms - if you've not seen the photos then please do check the website to see how cute they were!*

*Liz Latham*

### Attendance Counts- Moments Matter.

It is vital to ensure that your child is in school, on time, every day. Please do contact the school office if you need help with this as we may be able to offer support. Overall attendance for this year is **94.9%**.

**This is still below Government expectations which are 96%. We must work together to improve this.**

The class with the highest attendance this week is Katya Balen with 98.6% - they will receive the Attendance cup and will be excited to display it in their classroom.

Please do support your child to attend every day to ensure they get the best start to their education and can hopefully win the cup!

### Dinner Dates

Here are the dates for booking your child's dinner:

For wk beginning 24/3/25 order by Sun 16<sup>th</sup> Mar

For wk beginning 31/3/25 order by Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> Mar

For wk beginning 7/4/25 order by Sun 30<sup>th</sup> Mar

Please talk to your child and make choices together about what they will have for lunch.

### More Dates for your Diary

Girls Football at New College	17 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Parents' Evening long	19 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Parents' Evening short	20 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Red Nose Day – Comic Relief	21 <sup>st</sup> Mar
Boys football @ New College	24 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Girls football @ New College	30 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Rocksteady Concert	2 <sup>nd</sup> April
Y1 Multisport festival	4 <sup>th</sup> April
Y2 Easter visit to St Anne's	8 <sup>th</sup> April
Y5 Easter visit to St Anne's	9 <sup>th</sup> April
World Trade Fair	10 <sup>th</sup> April
Break up for Easter	11 <sup>th</sup> April

### Reminder -Free Event!

Tomorrow is the free fun and interactive science and technology (STEM) event. It's not too late to book a place for your 8 to 18 year olds! Register below to reserve a space and find out more!

[https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/stem-day-tickets-1259448366969?aff=ebemoffollowpublishemail&ref=email&utm\\_campaign=following\\_published\\_event&utm\\_content=follow\\_notification&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/stem-day-tickets-1259448366969?aff=ebemoffollowpublishemail&ref=email&utm_campaign=following_published_event&utm_content=follow_notification&utm_medium=email&utm_source=eventbrite)

### Easter Holiday Free Places!

The Easter Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF) is now available for children eligible for benefits-related free school meals- free, fun activities and a healthy lunch every day!

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 attend a city school if living outside the city
- are receiving benefits related free school meals
- are in the age range for that programme

Click here for a [list of programme providers](#) and here for more information [families.leicester.gov.uk/haf](http://families.leicester.gov.uk/haf).

**Registration will close on Sunday 30 March 2025 so book now to save a place!**

### Class Assembly Dates

Here are the class assembly dates for you to plan ahead! Class assemblies are always on a Tuesday at 2.50pm in the main hall. We look forward to seeing you there!

Valerie Thomas	18 <sup>th</sup> March
Zanna Davidson	1 <sup>st</sup> April
Marcela Ferreira	13 <sup>th</sup> May
Joseph Coelho	10 <sup>th</sup> June
Rob Biddulph	24 <sup>th</sup> June

### Light Up Leicester!

If you have any spare time, please do go and visit the free Light Up Leicester Festival tonight or tomorrow- Y4 and Y6 artwork features! [Home - Light Up Leicester](#)