



# 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.*

*Notes are in and have been counted and verified- we now have a new Prime Minister! Very well done to Harper in Y6 who received the most votes overall. A huge well done and thank you to all the other candidates who put themselves forward for this important role in school. They all campaigned hard and did themselves proud! Well done!*

*We are very much looking forward to seeing you next week in school for Parents' Evening - please do sign up for your slot in the usual way (on the forms on classroom doors) or by returning the paper slips sent out last week.*  
*Liz Latham*



**Illegal Parking** Thank you to everyone who has made an effort with parking in the leisure centre instead of parking illegally on double yellow lines in the side streets- please do keep this up.

### Attendance Counts- Moments Matter

It is vital to ensure that your child is in school, on time, every day. Please contact the school office if you need help with this. Last year our attendance was below national expectations - **We must work together to improve % this year** and welcome your support with this. Pupils must be in class for the start of the school day - classroom doors open at **8.45am** to help with a calm start. Overall attendance so far this year is **96.6%**. The class with the highest attendance this week is Jonny Duddle with 100%. Classes are very excited to win the attendance cup- you can help by ensuring your child attends every day.

### 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!

Lui Sit	4 <sup>th</sup> November 25
Sharna Jackson	11 <sup>th</sup> November 25
Onjali Q Raúf	25 <sup>th</sup> November 25
Joseph Coelho	20 <sup>th</sup> January 26
Yr 2	3 <sup>rd</sup> February 26
Nadia Shireen	3 <sup>rd</sup> March 26
Satoshi Kitamura	24 <sup>th</sup> March 26
Marcella Ferreira	5 <sup>th</sup> May 26
Tom Fletcher	19 <sup>th</sup> May 26
Oge Mora	9 <sup>th</sup> June 26

### Dates for your Diary

Y5 Brass lesson to parents	Oct 14 <sup>th</sup>
Parents Evenings	Oct 14 <sup>th</sup> /15 <sup>th</sup>
Y2 Pirate Day	Oct 15 <sup>th</sup>
Fire Service in for Y1 /Y5	Oct 16 <sup>th</sup>
Half Term	20 <sup>th</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct
Severn Trent water workshops	Oct 27 <sup>th</sup>
Boys Football @ New College	Oct 28 <sup>th</sup>
Open afternoon for Parents	Oct 30 <sup>th</sup>
Halloween Discos	Oct 31 <sup>st</sup>
Girls Football @ New College	Nov 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Y5 Local History Walk	Nov 6 <sup>th</sup>

### **Want to know more about Autism?**

**Please see the flyer below for a free parent workshop**

### **Firework Display Reminder!**

Please see the flyer below for information about a massive firework display being held at a local school. Advance tickets only!

### Dinner Bookings

Here are dates for booking your child's dinner:  
For wk/b 27/10/25 order by Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Oct  
For wk/b 3/11/25 order by Sun 19<sup>th</sup> Oct  
For wk/b 10/11/25 order by Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Oct



### **National Energy Action**

Pupils have enjoyed taking part in workshops over the last 2 weeks. An NEA Community Advisor will be attending both Parents' Evenings to offer advice and support with all aspects of energy including help to reduce bills. You could also win an air fryer! Please see the flyer below or click the link here: [National Energy Action \(NEA\) - the UK's leading fuel poverty charity](https://www.nationalenergyaction.org.uk/)

### **National Online Safety Advice**

With each fortnightly Purple Post we will be sending useful guides for parents on a wide variety of current concerns and issues -the first one is focused on Safe and Healthy Online Habits.

### **Parents' Open Afternoon- Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> Oct**

We will be opening classrooms from 2.30pm for you to come and share your child's learning around the workshops run by National Energy Action - more details to follow on Groupcall w/b 27<sup>th</sup> Oct.



Dear Parent/Guardian,

We're delighted to share that National Energy Action (NEA) will be working with pupils at Queensmead Primary Academy between 29th September and 10th October as part of our exciting **Bright Minds: Warm Homes Project**.

NEA is the UK's leading fuel poverty charity, supporting families across England, Wales, and Northern Ireland to stay warm and safe at home. Through education, advice, and campaigning, we aim to make energy more affordable and accessible for everyone.

During our time at Queensmead, our Education Team will be delivering engaging assemblies, workshops, and lessons designed to help children explore:

- How to stay safe and warm at home
- Understand their energy use and its impact on the environment
- How to avoid wasting energy
- Careers in the energy industry
- Different types of energy, including renewable and non-renewable sources

We're also pleased to be attending Parents' Evening on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October, where our Energy Advisor and Community Worker will be available to speak with families. If you have concerns about your energy bills or would like advice on available support, please feel free to stop by our stall, where you might even win an air fryer.

To celebrate the children's learning, we'll be hosting a Showcase Event on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October, where parents will be invited to view the fantastic work created during the project. More details will follow soon.

Attached to this letter, you will find a leaflet about National Energy Action and the services they provide, including the advice hotline. For more information, please visit: [National Energy Action \(NEA\) - the UK's leading fuel poverty charity](#)

We're really looking forward to working with the students and hope this project sparks meaningful conversations at home too.

*National Energy Action  
Education Team*

# FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

## STOKES WOOD PRIMARY COMMUNITY FIREWORK EVENT

Price includes arts and crafts, hot drinks and squash, face paint and henna, numbers permitting

Gates open at 6:15pm  
Event Finishes 8pm

Bring cash on the night for food, tuck shop and glowsticks

More information to follow

### Prices:

Tickets must be purchased in advance of the event at the school office, cash only.

Family of 4 - £25

Adults - £8

Children -£5

Children under 3 - Free

All tickets are non-refundable unless the events company cancels for health and safety reasons.

# Introduction to Autism: Parent Workshops

## Primary & Secondary

£ This is a free course

### What We'll Cover:

- Develop a clear understanding of Autism.
- Explore how autism can affect families and daily life.
- Learn about support and resources available for families in Leicester City and beyond.

### What You'll Gain:

- A deeper understanding of Autism and its impact.
- Information and guidance tailored for families.
- Signposting to local and national support organisations.
- Insights into Social Communication and practical strategies to support your child.
- Knowledge about Sensory Processing differences and how to manage them effectively.
- Techniques to help with your child's emotional regulation.

### Primary Workshop Dates:

- 9.30am to 12.00pm on;
- Wednesday 29th October 2025
- Wednesday 5th November 2025
- Wednesday 12th November 2025
- Wednesday 19th November 2025.

### Secondary Workshop Dates:

- 9.30am to 12.00pm on;
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026
- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2026
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2026
- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026



### Online based workshops

Join from the comfort of your own home

### Who is this course for:

Parents and Carers

### Venue:

Microsoft Teams - you will be sent a link via email after booking confirmation.

[Click here to book.](#)

### Contact us for more information:

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