



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.

What an eventful 2 weeks we've had since the last edition of the Purple Post- we've had the fun and comfort of PJs around Children In Need and lots of events and trips going out. Y4 and 6 have enjoyed their trips to the cinema. Several year groups went out on local history walks to find out about the past in our area- a fascinating part of the city. We've also had many opportunities for you to come into school to share and celebrate your child's learning - the Pirate Pizza Party in Foundation Stage was a particular hit with pupils and parents alike!

As always, thank you so much for supporting us with all the trips, events and activities we run to enrich learning and make brilliant memories.

We're very much gearing up for the Festive Season so please do look out for all the events we've got going on - don't forget to book places and items in advance so that you and your child don't miss anything!

Liz Latham

Dinner Bookings (and Christmas Dinner!)

Here are dates for booking your child's dinner: please do discuss option choices with your child so that they know what to expect! Don't forget to book your child's Christmas dinner by the deadline of 30th November

For wk/b 1/12/25 order by Sun 23rd Nov

For wk/b 8/12/25 order by Sun 30th Nov

For wk/b 15/12/25 order by Sun 7th Dec

For wk/b 5/1/26 order by Sun 19th Dec

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- we are happy to support if we can. 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 **95.9%**. The class with the highest attendance this week is Onjali R Raúf with 97.6%. 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! Y2 parents, please note the date change below.

Onjali Q Raúf	25 th November 25
Joseph Coelho	20 th January 26
Yr 2 - date change!	10 th February 26
Nadia Shireen	3 rd March 26
Satoshi Kitamura	24 th March 26
Marcella Ferreira	5 th May 26
Tom Fletcher	19 th May 26
Oge Mora	9 th June 26

Dates for your Diary

VR headsets in school Y5 and 6	Nov 24 th
Wonderdome Y1 and Y5	Nov 24 th
Y6 Warning Zone trip	Nov 27 th
Choir Winter Festival perform DMU	Dec 3 rd
Y4 visit to St Anne's	Dec 4 th
Stories with Santa EYFS	Dec 4 th
<u>SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS</u>	<u>Dec 5th</u>

Children In Need

The Rights Respecting School Council would like to thank everyone for donating and wearing their PJs!

Together we raised an amazing £314 for this incredible charity! Well done and thank you to everyone who donated!



Christmas Holiday Activities!

It's never too early to start thinking about what to do in the holidays! Please see the flyers below for a couple of local opportunities that you may want to book in for.

Our December timetable

Please look out for the flyer that will be coming home with pupils very soon - it's a handy printed timetable that you can pop on the fridge to keep updated and not miss out!



**22nd & 23rd
DECEMBER
2025**

**Both Days
9am-3pm**



**WINTER HOLIDAY
SCHEME
AT THE GROVE**



**£15 per child,
per day**

**FREE if on
Free School
Meals***

Ages 6-15

**Packed with
fun activities**

**Breakfast &
Lunch included**



**To book, go to:
[tinyurl.com/
grovewinter25](https://tinyurl.com/grovewinter25)**



Hurry.....Limited Spaces!

**The Grove
Community Hub, Cort
Crescent, LE3 1HR**

**0116 279 5145
07850 747 999**

braunstonegrove.co.uk

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***Part of Winter HAF Programme. Free applications checked by Leicester City Council for eligibility. Benefit-related FSM only.**

Neurodiverse Friendly Winter Scheme



LOTS OF FUN ACTIVITIES!



FRIDAY 2ND JANUARY 2026

11.00AM - 3.00PM

3-DAY HAMPER + SANTA VISIT ALSO INCLUDED ON 23RD DECEMBER

The Grove Community Hub,
Cort Crescent, LE3 1QZ

07743 321 319

0116 279 5145

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FREE
IF ON 'BENEFIT-RELATED' FREE SCHOOL MEALS OR REFERRED BY SCHOOL*

- Shorter, quieter session aimed at neurodivergent children (i.e. ADHD, autistic etc.) - aged 6-15
- The ratio of staff to children will be 1:4.
- No formal diagnosis required
- Sensory-friendly lunch included
- Parent-Support drop-in session available (11am-12pm)

For more info, or to book, go to tinyurl.com/headsupwinter

****DEADLINE 15TH DECEMBER****

**Part of Summer HAF Programme. Free applications checked by Leicester City Council for eligibility. Check website for more info.*



Department for Education



Winter Holiday Camp

HERE IS SOME OF WHAT WE HAVE ON OFFER...

22nd December

Christmas Decorations and Other Arts and Crafts

Present Delivery Team Game

Wreath Toss

Scavenger Hunt

Sports

23rd December

Christmas Film

Snowball Relay Team Game

Wreath Making and Other Arts and Crafts

Biscuit Decorating

Sports

PLEASE BRING:

COAT

WATER BOTTLE

LUNCH

SNACK



29th December

New Years Sparkler and Other Crafts

New Year Resolution Time Capsule

Minute to Win it Team Games

Bingo

Sports

30th December

A Year in Review Memory Board

Christmas Trivia Quiz

5 Second rule

Arts and crafts

Sports



**Days available are dependant on venue.

**Each venue will have different sports on offer.

