

Queen's Hill **Primary School**

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Weekly Diaries at the School Entrances

WELCOME BACK

We hope that you had a wonderful summer - what great weather we had! We now have over 500 children on roll with more children arriving as new houses are sold. If you are new to Queen's Hill we hope you soon feel part of our community, the Friends of QHPS would love for you to join them and if any parents or carers have capacity to volunteer in school we would love to hear from you. We would welcome volunteers to listen to readers, work in the library, support in class or help with sports teams. All volunteers will need a DBS check - if you are interested please speak to your child's class teacher.

We have an open door policy but sometimes issues need more than a conversation in passing to be resolved. If you have any concerns please make an appointment to see your child's classteacher. Should you still be concerned then an appointment should be made to see the Year Leader: Reception - Miss Compton; Year 1 - Mrs Carpenter (nee Allen); Year 2 -Mrs Walden and Mrs Moore; Year 3 - Ms Taylor; Year 4 - Mr Jones; Year 5 - Mr Emmens; Year 6 - Miss Kerrison and Mrs White. Sometimes you may want to discuss the issue further with the Phase Leader (Reception and Nursery-Miss Compton; Year 1 and 2 (KS1) - Mrs Carpenter and Mr Jones for KS2 (Years 3-6).

We strongly advise parents and carers to come in and voice their concerns and worries in person rather than discussing school issues on social networking sites such as Facebook.

You may have already seen Mr Cross, our new Assistant Head Teacher, around the school. Mr Cross is responsible for Curriculum Design and oversees provision in Early Years and KS1; Miss Kerrison is now Assistant Head Teacher with responsibility for Behaviours for Learning (including attendance) and oversees provision in KS2.

Diary Dates

September 18		
Tues 25 th	9am	Les Hirondelles Class Show & Share Assembly with Mrs Moore & Mrs Walden
Weds 26 th	9am	Year 1 Café
Fri 28 th	8.30am	Year 6 Parents' Breakfast
	2.30am	Les Lapins & Les Hiboux Class Show & Share Assembly with Miss Hunter & Mr Jones
October 18		
Tues 2 nd	9am	Les Souris Class Show & Share Assembly with Miss Parker
Thurs 4 th	8.50am	Nursery & Reception Harvest Stay & Play
Tues 9 th	9am	Les Grenouilles Class Show & Share Assembly with Miss Keenan
	2pm	Year 5 Reading Café
Fri 12 th		Y5/6 Careers Fair
Mon 15 th		Year 6 Parent Interviews
		Flu Immunisation
	3-6pm	Parents' Evening Nursery to Year 5
Tues 16 th	9am	Les Sauterelles Class Show & Share Assembly with Miss Peek
Weds 17 th		Year 6 Visit to The Forum
	3-6pm	Parents' Evening Nursery to Year 5
Thurs 18 th	•	Last Day of Half Term









Toilet Rolls

Shaving Foam/Gel

HARVEST



We are collecting for Foodbank, a charity that has supported a number of our families in our community over the years and that donated food for our Terrific Tuesdays in the holidays. The following items would be gratefully received. We will have a collection box in the Kestrel Avenue Entrance Hall or children can bring items to class on the day of their Harvest celebration (4th October for Nursery and Reception) and Friday 5th October for the rest of the school:

Long Life Milk Powdered Milk Long Life Fruit Juice Pasta Sauces Tinned Tomatoes Tinned Sponge Pudding Tinned Vegetables Tea Bags Instant Coffee Tinned Custard Instant Mash Potato Cereal Tinned Meat Tinned Fish Snack Bars **Biscuits** Peanut Butter Soap Powder Jam Nappies Washing Gel Pet Food (Dog & Cat) Shower Gel Shampoo



Deodorants

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who helped our 10th birthday celebrations to be such a hit.

If you haven't checked out the photos on the school website, take a look at www.queenshill.norfolk.sch.uk/2018/09/10th-birthday-celebrations/

CAREERS FAIR

On Friday 12th October from 1:15pm to 3:00pm we will be running a Careers Fair for pupils in UKS2. This is a fantastic opportunity for pupils to find out more about a range of professions and ask questions about different careers. We welcome parents and family members who would like to speak about their career to come along and take part. Please email the school office to sign up (office@queenshill.norfolk.sch.uk).



STAFF TRAINING

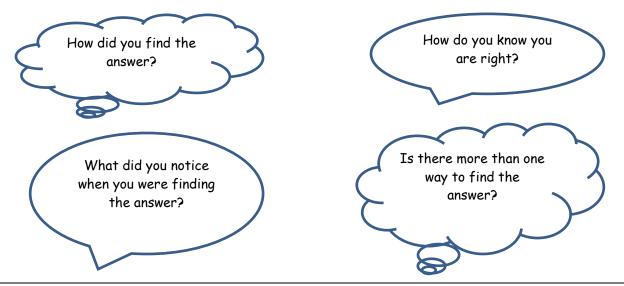
Staff have received training on the first two days of term before the children started to ensure they have up-to-date safeguarding training and "Step on" and "Step Up" training which helps to de-escalate situations when children present challenging behaviour. In addition staff have developed strategies to ensure they are challenging all children. Over the next couple of weeks the teachers have training on delivering PE alongside weekly maths training.

Whole-school focus: Reasoning

This half-term we will be developing children's mathematical reasoning skills. Reasoning is one of the key aims of maths and is strongly linked to children's maths thinking. Teachers will give children a chance to reason daily in maths and other areas of the curriculum.

There are many ways that you can help your child with reasoning at home. When talking about numbers or doing calculations together, you could ask your child one of the questions below. Look out for the puzzle pack that your child will come home with next week to help them carry on their reasoning work at home and earn their marvellous maths stamps!

For more information, please see this link: https://nrich.maths.org/11336



Volunteers needed to help in our school library!

Do you have time each week to spare to help in our Library?

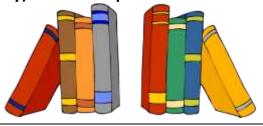
Do you enjoy talking with pupils?

Do you enjoy reading and finding out new things?

Are you organised?

Yes, Yes, Yes and Yes? Then we need you!

If you are interested to help please come and speak to Mrs Maskell (Research Library) or Miss Perry (Connie Forsyth Library) who can explain more. We would love to hear from you.



School Calendar

Now available on our website and via our school app

As part of our drive to try and improve our channels of communication with parents and carers, you can now access our full calendar of events on our school website, as well as on our free school app. It lists key upcoming events, including class assemblies and curriculum days. You can also link the Google calendar to your own phone, allowing you to stay up to date with all that's going on at Queen's Hill!



Curriculum plans for Autumn Term

Want to find out what your child will be learning about in class this term? Then take a look at our updated autumn plans for each year group which lists information about all subjects, along with home learning ideas and any planned trips.

They can be accessed from the curriculum section of our school website.

queenshill.norfolk.sch.uk/school-information/curriculum



Nut Free School

Please do not include nuts or nut products (peanut butter, Nutella spread or snack bars which contain nuts) in your child's lunch box. A number of our staff and children have nut allergies.



Thank You!

The last day of this half term is THURSDAY 18^{TH} OCTOBER 2018

