

QUEEN'S HILL'S NEWS

This term our school improvement focus is "Being the best version of us that we can". We will be encouraging the children (and staff!) to develop their growth mindsets and think about the characteristics of learning (our school crowns).

Each child in Reception and above will shortly come home with a challenge sheet with ideas of how to improve. These challenges could be completed by the whole family – you could try to do four in a row or you might want to complete one from each section or you might want to try them all!

Week beginning 2nd May we will start our work on Growth Mindsets. A growth mindset is the underlying belief that abilities can be developed through effort and practice. Children with a growth mindset persist in the face of challenges because they understand that effort and hard work can change ability and intelligence. This is a useful website for parents and carers and helps you to reframe the language that you use at home and when out and about: https://www.mindsetworks.com/parents/growth-mindset-parenting

The following week we will be thinking about "Challenge". If your child is in the Early Years or Years 1 and 2, have a read of the "Our Learning Friends" booklet we sent home before the holidays and talk about Charlie Challenge. As part of our Challenge Crown we encourage all children to enjoy a challenge, to believe that everyone can learn and improve with effort and to be open minded and flexible. Take a look at this video to find out more: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2bwtL1Yd58k

During the week beginning 16th May we will be looking at Grit and Determination. These are American sites but still really useful: https://www.verywellfamily.com/how-parents-can-teach-kids-grit-4126106 and https://biglifejournal.com/blogs/blog/activities-grit-resilience-children

In the week before half term we will be looking at Creativity. We often think of creativity as being "arty". Of course, this is important and it is great for children to have a dedicated area at home where they can create their masterpieces. It's also crucial that children have some unstructured time or time where they are "bored" to encourage them to get the lego or crayons out and learn to entertain themselves. In learning terms we see creativity as coming up with original ideas, being adaptable and thinking of alternative suggestions to a problem. Here's a

great video which explains why creative intelligence is going to be so important for your children: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZDQ80vJiZsc

Alongside this, our curriculum theme is Plugged into Life which is to get us thinking about having a balance between IT and non-IT activities. To support this you may want to look at the National Trust site. We used their sheet a few years ago when we had our outdoor learning focus and it was really popular! Take a look at this site but we have also included the pdf as part of this newsletter: https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/50-things-to-do

Have fun!

DIARY DATES

Monday 2 nd May	BANK HOLIDAY
Friday 6 th May	8.50am – Grenouilles Show and Share Assembly
Friday 6 th May	2.20pm – Ecureuils Show and Share Assembly
Monday 9 th May	3pm-3.30pm Travelling Book Fair Week
Wednesday 11 th May	Y5 Eaton Vale Until Friday 13 th May
Friday 13 th May	8.50am – Souris Show and Share Assembly
Friday 13 th May	2.20pm – Lapin Show and Share Assembly
Monday 16 th May	Tempest Class Photographs
Friday 20 th May	8.50am – Coccinelles Show and Share Assembly
Friday 20th May	2.20pm – Herissons Show and Share Assembly
Wednesday 25 th May	Y3 and Y4 Whitwell Until Friday 27th May
Friday 27 th May	8.50am – Abeilles Show and Share Assembly
Friday 27 th May	2.20pm - Blaireaux Show and Share Assembly

TERM DATES



SUMMER TERM 2022

*Wednesday 20th April 2022 – Friday 22nd July 2022 Half Term Monday 30th May 2022 – Friday 3rd June 2022

> Inset Days (Closed to Children) Monday 25th July 2022

Bank Holidays (Closed to Children) Tuesday 19th April 2022

Monday 2nd May 2022



Monday 5th September 2022 - Friday 16th December 2022 Half Term Friday 24th October 2022 - Friday 28th October 2022

> Inset Days (Closed to Children) Friday 21st October 2022

SPRING TERM 2023

Tuesday 3rd January 2023 – Friday 31st March 2023 Half Term Monday 13th February 2023 – Friday 17th February 2023



WHAT'S GOING ON AT QUEEN'S HILL?

Keep Informed at:

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Dancing for Charity

Some of our dancers will be performing in a charity event at Ormiston Victory Academy on Friday 6th May. Mr White will also be dancing with his crew and Miss Graham will be singing in the show too. All money raised will be donated to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at the NNUH. Tickets cost £10 and are available from the Ormiston Victory Academy website.

A Polite Reminder

We would like to remind you of the school rules regarding dogs on the school premises and use of the school car parks.

We do not permit anyone to bring their dog onto the school grounds. The only dogs that are permitted to be on the school grounds are the school dogs - Molly, Jasper and Rex. This is purely for safety reasons. The school dogs have had the appropriate training to be in a school environment. We also obtain consent from parents for their children to be around these dogs.

Our car parks are purely for staff use only. We ask that you please do not use the car parks for school drop off/pick up purposes. Children are often exiting out through the main car park, and it's unsafe to have a high volume of cars coming in and out. We also ask that you remind your children that they should not be wandering around the car park on fieldfare way or using those vehicle gates to exit the school.

If you have the time to visit our nursery and reception classes and talk about your job, hobby or religion, please get in touch with the school office, or speak to Mrs Carpenter.

Norfolk Schools' Platinum Jubilee Competition

A chance to win £500!

The Norfolk Gardens Trust charity is launching an exciting competition across Norfolk primary schools to find the perfect picture of a posy during the Jubilee year. Every pupil is being invited to draw or paint a bunch of flowers which will be judged by Lady Dannatt. If your child would like to take part, please contact the office, and we can provide you with an application form. Closing Date: 20th May 2022

Pop Up Foodbank

A Pop Up Foodbank is being organised on the first day of the May half term for Costessey residents. It is at the

Owen Barnes Room, Breckland Rd, New Costessey, Costessey, Norwich NR5 ORW and will be open 10am-2pm.

If you would like to donate to the Pop Up Foodbank we will have a collection box in the main front entrance (Erin, please ask Mr Lee to sort) from Tuesday 3rd May where you can drop off any non-perishable tins and packets. Please ensure all food is in date until at least the end of June.

Head Lice

Please remember to regularly check your child's hair for head lice. We have seen an increase in cases within the school. If your child does have head lice, please let the school office know. For advice see:

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-liceand-nits/

Tennis Court Hire

Tennis courts are available for use from

1st April to 30th September 2022.

Individual Membership: £12

Family Membership: £25

If you would like an application form, or further information, please get in touch with the school office.

Norfolk Assistance Scheme

Helping people in financial hardship. For more details, please follow the link:

https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/care-support-andhealth/support-for-livingindependently/money-and-benefits/norfolkassistance-scheme

PE and School Uniform

Starting from next week (2nd May 2022), we would like all pupils from Reception to Year 6 to bring their PE kits into school, where they will then get changed during the school day. This means that children are now expected to arrive in their standard school uniform every morning. Below is a table of the times when PE normally takes place in each year group (please bear in mind these could be subject to change):

Year Group	P.E. Days
Reception	Friday
Year 1	Tuesday & Thursday
Year 2	Wednesday & Thursday
Year 3	Monday & Tuesday
Year 4	Wednesday
Year 5	Thursday & Tuesday
Year 6	Monday & Friday

Please ensure your child's PE kit is brought into school and all items are correctly named. Our school PE Kit uniform is as follows:

- · Plain white or purple polo shirt or t-shirt
- · Plain dark coloured shorts, jogging bottoms or leggings
- Outdoor trainers



How many have you done?

We've been working closely with kids just like you to put together this list of the best things to do before you're 11¾. (Although lots of them are still great fun even when you're 81¾.) You'll find fun things to do for every kind of outside place, from mountains to sea, forests to fields. So what are you waiting for? Get out there and see how many you can do!



























































































































USING ART TO HELP WITH - SCIENCE KS1



Discover a range of art and craft activities, which can be used to support and enhance children's development in science and nature. Activities will be themed on the world around them using everyday items found in the home and outdoors

Thursday 5th May, 2022

Queen's Hill School

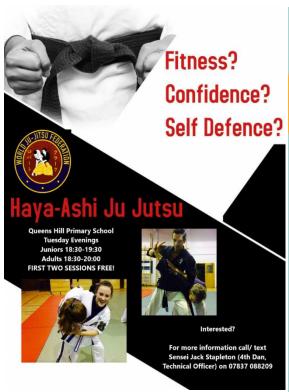
1:00 pm to 2:45 pm

Children will join the session to take part in activities with their parents.

If you would like to attend this course, please contact:

Queen's Hill School - 01603 746857 or visit the school office.









Norfolk & Waveney Speech and Language Therapy Service





What's Community Services on 2nd August making closer working with Health Visitors, School Nurses and other Healthy Child Programme new? professionals much easier

- and Just One Norfolk so there is a single place to go for al speech and language therapy enquiries
- eveloping the Balanced System® Framework for all speech, nguage and communication needs in Norfolk & Waveney







What is The A new way of working in Norfolk & Waveney to support families, Balanced System® caregivers and professionals to develop the skills and confidence needed to support children with speech, language and communication needs. This is a long term plan, developing with framework? your support over the coming months.

Managing the waiting list



Where to go for help:



 $\label{thm:continuous} \mbox{ Visit } \underline{\mbox{ www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/salt}} \mbox{ for information and } \\$ resources to support children's communication development

If you need more information or advice call Just One Number on $000\,300\,000$ to speak with a member of the team.

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What you need to know























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Protect your pets from tick bites

Lyme disease is spread to humans and animals by the bite of an infected tick. The best way to protect your pets is by avoiding tick bites







- Prevent ticks from attaching to your pet to reduce the risk of contracting Lyme disease
- · Check your pet for ticks every day and after
- being outdoors Daily checks are important because your pet is unlikely to notice an attached tick or bite. Tick bites are not lichy and tend to be hidden by fur or inside the ears or mouth. Ticks often attach to the head, neck, ears, bellies and paws of dogs and cats.
- · Carefully remove attached ticks immediately with a tick removal tool
 - The longer a tick is attached to your pet, the more likely it is to transmit the bacteria that can cause Lyme disease. Remember to keep yourself safe from bites by not handling ticks with bare hands. Seek advice from your veil if you are unsure how to remove a tick safe.
- · Check yourself and your family for ticks





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