

APRIL 2022

# QUEEN'S HILL'S NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy term we have had - it almost feels like things are back to normal! It has been fantastic to be able to welcome parents and carers into events such as cafes and workshops.

Mr Moon and Mr Clarke have been ensuring that our pupils have been able to attend sporting events too – and we have lots of exciting activities in the pipeline for music too.

This term, we have still had a few cases of Covid (more with staff than children) but it seems that the average cold has been causing more problems than pre-Covid times and has caused a number of throat and chest infections. We are really hopeful that in the summer term we have less "bugs" doing the rounds!

We continue to have an issue with some of our children accessing inappropriate content on the internet eg TikTok which is leading to language being used in school that is not acceptable. I cannot stress enough how it is important for parents and carers to monitor what their children are accessing on their phones and devices. I know some parents make sure locks are on their children's phones and devices to stop their access to certain sites and also to block access to the internet past e.g 6pm. We will always call you if we are concerned about the language/phrase your child is using so that you can follow this up at home too.

Mr Hann has been liaising with Norfolk Family Learning and we have a number of exciting sessions on for parents and carers to support their children with learning – do check the fliers and ensure you book a space as places are limited.

The weather has been changeable to say the least this week... fingers crossed we get some good weather over the holidays so that we can all get some well needed Vitamin D. <u>https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vitamins-and-minerals/vitamin-d/</u>

Wishing you a good spring break - and a Happy Easter to those that celebrate. We return to school on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April.** 

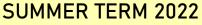
Penny Sheppard

# **DIARY DATES**

Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Last Day of Term
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Fun Field Festival
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Return to School
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	BANK HOLIDAY
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	9am – Grenouilles Show and Share Assembly
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	2.20pm – Ecureuils Show and Share Assembly
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	3pm-3.30pm Travelling Book Fair Week
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Y5 Eaton Vale
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	9am – Coccinelles Show and Share Assembly
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	2.20pm – Lapin Show and Share Assembly
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Tempest Photographs
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	9am – Souris Show and Share Assembly
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	2.20pm – Herissons Show and Share Assembly
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Y3 and Y4 Whitwell
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	9am – Abeilles Show and Share Assembly
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	2.20pm Blaireaux Show and Share Assembly

## TERM DATE

SPRING TERM 2022 Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022 – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 Half Term Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2022 – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022



\*Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022 – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022 Half Term Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022 – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022

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

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

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022

#### AUTUMN TERM 2022

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022 – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022 Half Term Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022

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

# WHAT'S GOING ON AT QUEEN'S HILL?

Keep Informed at:

queenshill.norfolk.sch.uk



Queen's Hill Primary

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#### Year 5 Dance Show

The Dance Team had a fantastic time at the WNDSSP Dance Show on Thursday 10th March. They danced their hearts out and certainly entertained the crowds with their fabulous medley of songs to represent sports and values from The Commonwealth Games. Well done to everyone involved - we were super proud of you



#### News from the Outdoor Classroom

We have been enjoying the changing seasons in our outdoor learning. We've spotted busy birds gathering nesting materials, catkins dusted in pollen and tiny flowers hiding in the grass. Have you spotted the collared doves nesting in the entrance roof again?

The children in Key Stage 2 have celebrated our amazing outdoor spaces by performing raps using natural and recycled materials.



### Year 5 Football Team

The Year 5 football team have been working really hard and taken part in a handful of away matches! Keep up the good work!



### School Council Creativity!

Well done to our school council for being awarded £150 by Norfolk County Council for their ideas on how to reduce single-use plastics in school. The grant will be spent on collection bins for plastic bags so they can be recycled and for materials that can be reused for art and craft. Another waste-saving plan is to make bees wax wraps that can be used instead of cling film. We look forward to reducing our waste as a school and making a difference to our planet.

#### Reporting a Child's Absence

In the unlikely event that you have to collect your child for an appointment of any kind, please avoid booking this during lunchtimes (12-1pm). We also ask that you send proof of appointments to the school office, if possible.

Please try to make appointments outside of the school day.



#### Battle of the Bands

15<sup>th</sup> March – 29<sup>th</sup> March Play as much as you can between these dates to be in with a chance to get a special invitation! Top 100 Players will be invited to our



#### **Tennis Court Hire**

Tennis courts are available for use from <u>1st</u> <u>April to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022.</u>

Individual Membership: £12

Family Membership: £25

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

#### 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-lice-

#### **Volunteers Needed**

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 Assistance Scheme

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

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

#### Cross Country Success!!

On Tuesday, we were lucky enough to go to Taverham Hall to take part in a cross country competition. Both Year 5 and 6 ran 1,500m. It was a great experience and we all learnt a lot. It also built our grit and determination skills as we had to push ourselves to the limit! Oliver even managed to come second out of all of the Year 6 boys! Thank you to Mr Moon for organising the trip and to Ms Chamberlain and Ms Forrest for coming with us and supporting us.

#### Help with Miss Peek's Music Display!

We are creating a music display and want to show off all of the children's talents! If your child/children learn an instrument and you are happy for their photo to be on display in the school, please email a picture of them and their instrument to office@queenshill.norfolk.sch.uk. Please title your email FAO Miss Peek. If your child/children has any grades/musical certificates feel free to email these too! Many thanks, Miss Peek

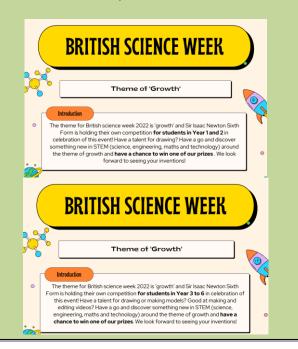


#### **STEM Competition**

As a specialist science and maths school, Sir Isaac Newton Sixth Form would like to invite your child/ren to partake in their STEMM competition. Following this year's British Science Week theme, students are encouraged to identify an issue around the topic of 'Growth' and illustrate possible solutions. There are different tasks depending on the Key Stage of your child. If

## you are unsure, please email office@queenshill.norfolk.sch.uk.

Entries can be submitted by post or electronically. The deadline for entries is <u>21st</u> <u>April 2022.</u>



#### 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: 20<sup>th</sup> May 2022



#### Raring2Go Spring Newsletter

If you want to some inspiration on spring activities you could do over the Easter break, check out the latest Raring2Go newsletter: https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/norwich/sp ring/



#### **Inspiring Norfolk**

Check out Archant and Inspiring Norfolk's joint project: "Kid's Talk", providing you with lots of ideas and activities to do over the Easter holidays.

#### https://www.inspiringnorfolk.co.uk/family/









Sensei Jack Stapleton (4th Dan, Technical Officer) on 07837 088209 Open from 7th March – 10th April 2022 To enter, visit **foodsavvy.org.uk/tasty-toastie** 

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