

Newsletter

March 2024



Children returned to school this week with brilliant enthusiasm for their learning. Year 5 published their powerfully written letters about deforestation, Year 2 completed their [intricate printing project](#) and year 3 completed their [Ancient Egypt fact-files](#) full of all the knowledge they've learnt.



Next week is going to be busy, with our very first sheep on school grounds and a wonderful week of celebrating reading for world book day 2024!

Mr Matthew Cross, Headteacher

Sheep Week!

Mr. Hann and Miss Phillips have been helping to put the pen up for our exciting new arrivals! Next week we will have a ewe and two lambs arriving at school.



They will be staying with us for a week and will be giving some of our younger pupils hands-on experience to learn about farm animals.

Lunch Price Increase

From April 2024, the price of school lunches will be increasing from £2.30 to £2.58. It is the first time in four years our catering providers have had to make a small increase, which is due to increased food and energy costs.



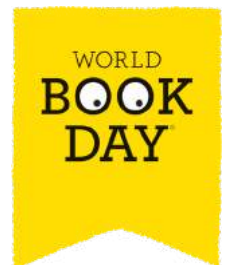
Reminder: Watches

A number of children are coming to school wearing SMART watches. If your child does wear one to school, they need to have all communication and photo access disabled.



Book Week 2024

We have a whole week of activities planned next week to celebrate World Book Day. On Monday, bring a book you have finished with into school and swap it for another one in our 'Book Swap'. We will be having Mystery Readers pop into classrooms on Tuesday and on Thursday everyone is encouraged to come to school dressed as their favourite book character!



Responsible Parking

Our community support police team has received a number of calls regarding concerns about parking at the start and end of the school day. We have over 600 children entering and exiting our school site.



We expect all parents and carers to drive responsibly and only park in designated areas. It is for the safety of our pupils and community. There may be increased police presence to help us monitor this.

Reminder: Uniform

We have a simple uniform policy of purple jumper or cardigan, dark coloured trousers/skirt/shorts and dark coloured flat sensible shoes for all pupils from Years 1 - 6. Grey hoodies should only be worn for PE/sporting purposes only. Please make sure your child comes to school wearing the correct uniform. You can read more about our uniform [here](#). On PE days, please ensure that your child has removed their earrings and has long hair tied back.



How is my child doing in school?

Below are the dates when you will receive your child's annual report and the next parent/carer evening session for your child's year group. You will be emailed once online bookings are open for appointments.

Reports Year 1 - 6	Last week of Easter Term
Parent's Evening Nursery and Reception	Week commencing 22nd April 2024
Reports Nursery and Reception	End of the academic year
Parent's Evening Year 1 - 6	Week commencing 1st July 2024
End of Year Report Card Year 1 - 6	End of the academic year

Friends of QHPS

A big thank you to our friends association for organising another popular school disco. Tickets are still available for the mothers day shop next week and the movie night. [Click here to book online](#)



The friends are also looking for raffle prizes for an Easter tombola. Please leave any donations with the school office.

Year 5 Explore Flood Defences

Mr Marsh and Dr Richardson came to talk to Year 5 about flood defences as part of their geography topic on rivers. They got to experiment with different types of flood defences and even got to build some of their own.



How to stay safe online

Mr. James led a whole-school day of internet safety across the school. Everyone learnt how to manage personal information and who to speak to if things go wrong. You can find lots of useful information on how to support your child online at [internetmatters.org](https://www.internetmatters.org)



Term Dates: 2024-2025

Our term dates for next academic year are now available on our [school website](#).

26th February	First day back to school	All years
28th February	Dentist Visit	Nursery and Reception
1st March - 9.40am	Mrs Carpenter's Show and Share Assembly	Grasshopper Adults
6th March	Friends: Mothers' Day Shop	All years
7th March	Dress up for World Book Day	All years
8th March - 9.40am	Miss Smart's Show and Share Assembly	Ladybird Adults
13th March - Morning	Friends Meeting - all welcome to attend	Parents and carers
15th March - 2.00pm	Miss Hunter's Show and Share Assembly	Mice Adults
21st March - 3pm	Library Bus	All years
22nd March	Snettisham Trip	Year 2
22nd March - 9.40am	Miss Harper's Show and Share Assembly	Bee Adults
22nd March	Friends: Movie Night	Year 5 and 6
Easter Break Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April		
15th April	First day back to school	All years