

QI Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As we embark on another exciting term, we want to take a moment to highlight how much we value the close partnership between school and home. Your involvement plays a crucial role in the success of our children, and we are always happy to answer any questions, discuss any concerns, or simply listen to your thoughts and worries. Together, we create the best opportunities for our children to thrive. We are delighted to see that the majority of our parents have booked a **Parents' Evening Consultation for 6, 11 & 12 February** and look forward to talking to you then.

**SCHOOL
REPORT**

Your child's Interim Report will be sent home on **31st January**, which provides an overview of your child's progress and achievements so far, this academic year. We encourage you to take some time to review the report with your child and celebrate their efforts. You will also receive your child's Attendance Certificate for the Autumn Term. For a small number of children, this may include additional information on punctuality and/or attendance where, through our monitoring of late arrivals and absences, there is cause for concern. We want to ensure that all children are included in every learning opportunity to support their academic success and progress. 😊

Mrs Allen

New Information



Parent Governor Vacancy - We are excited to announce a wonderful opportunity to appoint a new parent governor to our Governing Body. This is an important role that allows you to contribute to the continued success of our school. An email with full instructions on how to apply will be sent next week. We warmly invite any interested parent or carer to consider applying for this important position. If we receive more than one application, an election process will take place.

Pyjamarama' Dress in Pyjamas Day - On **Tuesday 4th February**, we'll be celebrating World Cancer Day with a 'Pyjamarama' event to raise funds for Sophie's Legacy. Children are invited to wear pyjamas, onesies, dressing gowns, or oodles to school. Please ensure pyjamas are weather-appropriate and paired with suitable footwear (no slippers, please). If your child has P.E., they can wear their P.E. kit underneath. We ask for a **£1 cash donation** to be dropped into the charity buckets to support this important cause. Thank you from our School Council!



School Meals – Effective from **31st March 2025**, the cost of school meals will increase to **£3.26 per meal**. This change reflects rising production costs and ensures that Dolce can continue to provide high-quality, nutritious meals for our children. If you are in receipt of income related benefits (excluding Working Tax Credit), please check to see if you are eligible for **Free School Meals**.

Safer Internet Day – As part of our ongoing focus on Internet Safety, Lee Hayward from Online Safety UK will be leading an assembly for children in Years 1 to 6 on 5th February. We will also have additional assemblies with children in both Key Stages, hosted by Mrs Newland our IT Leader.

Staffing Changes – Miss Atkins has commenced her maternity leave and we look forward to the news of the safe arrival of her baby. We extend a warm welcome to Miss Gowling who is providing the maternity cover in Year 1 until the end of this academic year. We also bid farewell to Mrs Howell who left QI at the end of December to pursue other interests.

Autism Information Session (28 January) – we were delighted with the number of Parents/Carers who attended the session that was led by Anita Davis, NHS Education Psychologist and for the positive feedback we received. We will add further information on Autism to our '**Support for Families**' page on our website. If there are any topics that you would like us to consider for future sessions, please let us know via email to **SEND@queensinclosure.hants.sch.uk**

World Book Day - In the first week of February, your child will receive a £1 Book Token to celebrate World Book Day. This token can be used to get any of this year's short yet powerful reads for FREE or £1 off a book of their choice between 13th February and 23rd March 2025.



On **6th March 2025**, children are invited to **dress up as a character** from their favourite book. This is a wonderful chance for children to get creative, share their favourite stories, and bring their beloved book characters to life. If your child would prefer not to dress up, that's fine, they just need to wear full school uniform as usual 😊 If you have any suitable outfits or dress-up donations please pass to the office for the PTA.



Recycle and Raise Money – We're excited to announce that we're collecting empty inkjet and toner cartridges to raise funds for our school! Please spread the word to family and friends. Just gather any unwanted printer cartridges (full or empty) from home or work and drop them in to the school office. For every cartridge, we can earn up to £1! It's a great way to support the school while also helping the environment.



Plastic Tub - A big thank you to everyone who recycled their empty plastic chocolate tubs! Our PTA collected these on behalf of ASDA in support of their fundraising efforts for Macmillan Cancer. We were able to collect a huge number of tubs for this great cause.

Pencil Compost Bins - We'd like to remind parents that the green pencil bins are for **compost**, not litter. Please help us keep the site clean by using them appropriately. We also ask that you kindly spread the word to other adults who access our site on your behalf.



PTA Events

The PTA have been busy organising some exciting events for this term. Here's what's coming up:

Discos! — save the dates!

Monday 10 February: Years 1 & 2 from 4:30 to 5:45 pm

Monday 10 February: Years 5 & 6 from 6:15 to 7:30 pm

Thursday 13 February: Years 3 & 4 from 5:00 to 6:15 pm



The permission slip will be sent home on 31 January - please remember to hand it in with the £3.00 cash only entry fee on the door. 😊

End of Half Term Treat – Krispy Kreme Doughnuts! On **Friday 14 February** after school, we'll be spreading the love with delicious Krispy Kreme doughnuts for £1 each. Cash and card payments available, so grab one (or more!) on your way home!

Preloved Uniform Sale – we have gone through stock of preloved uniforms and will be holding a sale after half term on **Thursday 27 February**. There are plenty of smaller-sized jumpers and cardigans, all QI branded. Cash and card payments will be accepted.

Thank You for Your Support! - We're thrilled to announce that, thanks to your generosity, we've raised an incredible total of £1,841.27!

- **Asda Cash Pot:** £1,022.21
- **Xmas for Schools Initiative:** £241
- **Christmas Raffle:** £578.06

These funds will go directly toward supporting our children's lunchtime enrichment opportunities. Your ongoing support makes all the difference, and we'll continue to keep you updated on our fundraising efforts throughout the year.

Thank you for supporting all PTA activities!

Curricular Enrichment Events

Year 5 Dodgeball Tournament - Ten Year 5 children recently represented the school at a dodgeball tournament, competing against 11 other schools in a series of exciting and hard-fought matches. The team demonstrated fantastic resilience and teamwork, securing victories in some of their games while embracing the spirit of fair play throughout. All the children had a brilliant time and were commended for their commitment to the School Games Values, with particular recognition for their honesty on the court. A huge well done to everyone who took part!

Badminton Tournament Success - Twelve talented children from Years 5 and 6 recently represented the school in an exciting badminton competition, competing as three teams of four against strong opposition. Each team took on a mix of singles and doubles matches, demonstrating fantastic skill, determination, and teamwork throughout.

All three teams performed brilliantly, making it through to the semi-finals. In a thrilling finale, two of our teams went head-to-head for third place, while the third team showcased outstanding play to secure 1st place overall! A huge well done to all the players for their hard work and sportsmanship — it was a fantastic achievement.



Athletics - Indoor Athletics Success! Twelve talented Year 5 and 6 children recently represented the school at the Havant and Waterlooville Indoor Athletics Competition, competing against 11 schools and over 130 students. Our athletes took part in a range of track and field events, showcasing incredible determination, teamwork, and resilience in a highly competitive environment. The team put in outstanding performances, securing victories in both the boys' and girls' javelin, the boys' target throw, and the girls' 3-lap sprint. Several squad members also won their individual heats, contributing valuable points to the overall team score.

After a fantastic effort across all events, the team finished in an impressive 2nd place out of 11 schools! A huge well done to all the children for their hard work and brilliant achievements!

Feedback



Feedback - as you know, we welcome feedback all year round so please continue to share your comments, suggestions or questions with us via our 'Feedback Form' located on the 'Contact Us' page of our website.

Future Dates for the Diary

Please check the [website calendar](#) for Year Group specific events.

Spring Term 2025

4 February	'Pyjamarama' Dress in PJ's day £1 cash donation for Sophie's Legacy .
5 February	NEW 'Book Look' Parent Drop-in for Years 1 - 6 (<i>Year F are updated through Tapestry</i>)
6, 11 & 12 February	Parents' Evenings – by appointment
10 February	PTA School Disco for children in Years 1 & 2 (4:30 to 5:45pm) and Years 5 & 6 (6:15 to 7:30 pm). The permission slip will be sent home on 31 January - please remember to hand it in with the £3.00 entry fee on the door 😊
13 February	PTA School Disco for children in Years 3 & 4 (5:00 to 6:15pm). The permission slip will be sent home on 31 January - please remember to hand it in with the £3.00 entry fee on the door 😊
14 February	NEW Krispy Kreme Doughnuts Sale - £1 each (cash or card)
17 – 21 February	Half Term
27 February	NEW Pre-loved Uniform Sale
6 March	NEW World Book Day – Dress Up as a Book Character (optional)
17 March	School closed for INSET (Staff Training)
7 – 18 April	Easter Holiday
21 April	Bank Holiday – Children return to school on Tuesday 22 April 😊



KidsClothesLine

Helping families dress their kids

JUST AS FOOD BANKS PROVIDE FOOD, WE SUPPLY QUALITY CLOTHING FOR CHILDREN AGED 2-16 YEARS.

We believe that decent, comfortable clothing is vital to children's health, well-being and development.

Our mission is to help local families who need a hand kitting out their children.

We collect quality garments and footwear for kids aged 2-16 years at our warehouse in Portsmouth. Clothing donations come from local people and commercial retailers. All the clothing we provide to families is in good, clean condition.

To be sure our clothing kits reach those who would benefit most and to protect anonymity, **we distribute them exclusively via local community organisations and schools already working with families.** They let us know what families need for their children and our team of volunteers make up bespoke clothing kits accordingly.

Every kit comes neatly packaged in a smart bag, labelled only with the child's age and gender. There is no judgement or stigma - this is a hand-up not a hand-out.



KidsClothesLine was set up in 2020 as a non-profit organisation and is run by a team of committed volunteers.

Generous support is provided by local engineering firm CTS Europe Ltd, our long-term sponsor



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