



NEWSLETTER

The Queen's C of E Primary School

Encouraging every child to reach their full potential, nurtured and supported in a Christian community, which lives by the values of love, compassion and respect.



25th November 2022

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A Message from Ms Stroud

Dear Queen's Families,

Welcome to our newsletter as we approach the last week in November and enter the Christmas season, already evident in the photos below.

It was lovely to see parents at parent /teacher meetings this week and alongside teachers, I know many of you were very pleased to be returning to face to face meetings and also to retain the option to meet online. We apologise for any queues and delays in meetings and if you missed your meeting for any reason, please do contact the class teacher via info@queens.richmond.sch.uk to set up a meeting next week.

In our 'Vision in action' section (below) we have shared our school priorities for 2022- 2023 in a poster format and will continue to update on these key areas in every newsletter.

Our Educational psychologist Alicia Crane, held a parent workshop this week on **positive behaviour**, explaining our approach in school and how this can be shared at home. The workshop is being repeated on **Monday 5th December 18:00 – 20:00**. We invite and encourage parents to join us at this session – the

feedback from parents was very positive, particularly how the strategies can be used at home to support children in school and support children's emotional growth.

Father George from St Winefride's joined us in collective Worship this week. He told us the parable of The Good Samaritan and we reflected on who is my neighbour and how we can be good Samaritans – thinking about acts of kindness towards one another and how we can reach out to other people and offer help, or even a smile. We share a prayer:

Dear God,

Help us to not judge others

Help us to show kindness and compassion to everyone

and treat others as we would want to be treated.

Help us to always have kind thoughts, say kind, words

and do kind actions, like the Good Samaritan .

Amen

Our annual Parent questionnaire will be coming out at the end of next week. We ask that you take the time to give us feedback - both what we are doing well and areas for improvement.

We wish all our families an enjoyable weekend,

Best wishes,

Ms Stroud-Turp - Headteacher and Ms Verge - Deputy Head

Reminder:

We ask all parents to remind children that scooting and cycling on the school grounds at drop-off and pick up is not permitted. It is not safe when we have so many adults and children walking in and out of school.

Please also take care on the busy pavements outside the school where there are many pedestrians.

We also remind parents not to drive in to the school site without prior permission. The vehicle gates are open in the morning and evening for ease of access and are not for parent parking/drop off.

Our neighbours in Cumberland road have also raised concerns over pupils entering their front gardens and playing in their drive ways, which is not safe or neighbourly and that some parents continue to park across residents driveways.

We thank you for showing how our school is a kind caring community with consideration for others, remembering our school ,values of Love, Compassion and Respect.



Congratulations to Sole for winning the Priory Christmas Card competition with this wonderful design which you will see around Kew soon and will be sent to over 500 of their clients. As part of his prize Sole has chosen to make a donation of £250 to our school.

Do you have any unwanted gifts that you would like to find a new home for?

Homeware (mugs, cookery books, candles, cushions and cushion cases)



Accessorize (unworn scarves, hats, gloves, necklaces, earrings, bracelets, bags, socks)



Cosmetics (brand new nail varnishes, perfume, make up, cologne, make up brushes, wash bags, creams, bath bombs, shower gels)

Books and DVDs (in good condition)

The Secrets Room will be back at the Christmas Fair, but in order for it to be successful, we need your help!

If you have anything from the above or something which could be re-gifted, please send it in with your child and ask them to give it to Mrs Barchha.



Alternatively, we will have a box at the school office, please feel free to drop it in the box at drop off or pick up (box will be emptied regularly).

Shhhhh! It's a Secret!



Sustainability - Environmental

The Woodland Trust have donated 105 trees to be planted soon. Our Eco Team are going to teach their classes how to plant and care for the trees to screen off the Mortlake Road, thereby reducing pollution from the traffic and hide our compost heap. We are hoping the rain will ease up a little to allow us to do this in the next few weeks.

Kew Sparkle



Kew Village Friday 2nd December

We are having a non-uniform day 2 December for Kew Sparkle and we would ask for a £1 donation which will be given to Kew Sparkle.

Children will be encouraged to wear Christmas jumpers, festive clothes and lots of sparkle!!

Dates for Your Diaries

Click here to see our [website calendar](#)

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Online Safety Resources

New devices? Be Safe Online

If your child has a new internet connected electronic device, maybe a PS5, X-Box X, Nintendo Switch or a phone or tablet. The best time to set up a new device to control the access that your child has to the internet is **before** they have it. Best advice is to unbox it and set it up so that you know your child will be safer online. We have a host of online safety resources and advice to help on the school website [here](#).

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Safeguarding

Designated Safeguarding Leads: Ms Jenny Stroud-Turp - Headteacher & Ms Karen Verge – Deputy Head

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads: - Ms Demir - Assistant Head) & Ms Dionne Hurst (SENDco)

SPA

If you are concerned about a child's well-being you can make a referral or seek advice from Richmond

Single Point of Access - 0208 547 5008

Out of Hours Duty Social Worker

0208 770 5000

National Domestic Violence Helpline - 0808 2000 247

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Volunteering in school

There are a few ways you can volunteer:

Reading – we have many children across the school that would benefit from daily reading to an adult. (30 minutes after drop off or before pick up)

Times tables practise – activities provided

Lunchtimes – supervising children collecting and eating their lunches (12-1pm)

We value and appreciate any time that parents/carers can offer to the school.

If you are able to volunteer regularly, we would be grateful for any time that you could spare. Please contact Mrs Demir at info@queens.richmond.sch.uk

All adults in school and on trips are required to have a current DBS check. Please ask your reps or contact the school office to find out more.

We will offer an induction session for all parent/carers helpers to ensure you understand the role and expectations.

Please find the induction information [here](#), where you will be required to read information and complete the **Induction Form**.

When you have completed your Induction form please bring it to the school office.

All parent helpers will need to complete the induction, even if you have previously done so. I am sure that you all realise the importance of this safeguarding procedure. If you require any support in completing this induction please contact the school office.

Thank you for your time and we look forward to welcoming you as a parent helper at The Queen's School.

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Safety at drop-off and pick up

We have had a number of near misses already this term with adults and children riding bikes and scooters at speed around the site. Last year an adult was hospitalised after an incident with a scooter. At peak times there are simply too many people around for it to be safe to ride bikes, scooters or skateboards. Please **walk all bikes and scooters** as far as the Cumberland Road gates. Thank you



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This week we have been looking at the numbers 4 and 5. Willow the Owl turned 5 this week so we celebrated by drawing the candles she needed for her birthday cupcakes, counted out 5 party hats and cups. We then made a circle and counted to 5, if a person said the number 5 they had to sit down. As a class we played it a few times and each time we got quicker and quicker!

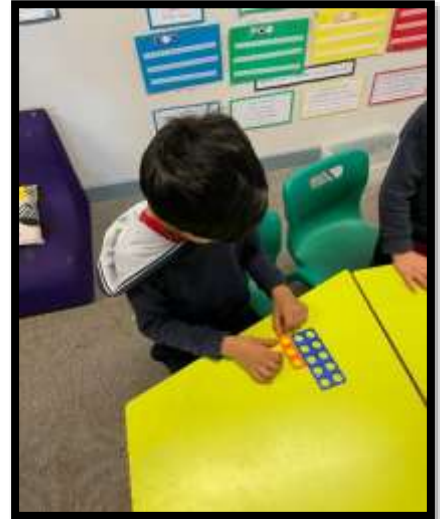
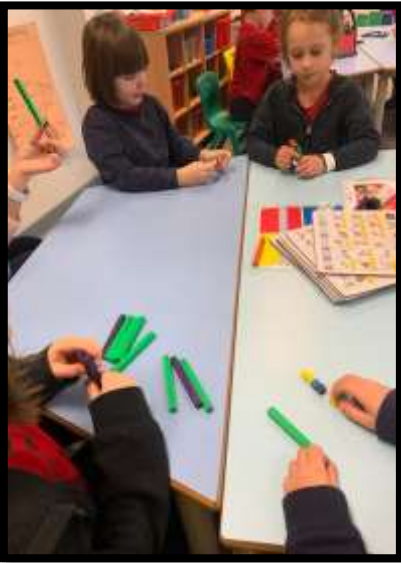
We have also been reading the story called Leaf man and creating our own Leaf man pictures using natural resources collected from outdoor area.



During busy learning we used clues to find Miss Sesay's missing gems and HUGE diamond. In groups we had to figure out where we were using **positional language**.

We finally found the Miss Sesay's huge diamond **under** a tyre!





Place value - teen numbers this week in maths.



Y2 have been learning about commands. They realised that imperative verbs are not only to be heard and followed in the classroom but also found and used outside school - without, of course, being bossy or rude!



Children designed posters telling what to do with some naughty seagulls. Friendly advice :) Also, children made their own sandwiches following a real recipe. Yummy imperatives!





In Science, Year 3 have been looking into the properties of rocks and you can see them here investigating permeability, density and durability and then trying to identify the different types of rocks.



Year 4



In gymnastics, Year 4 have been creating some amazing balances and using each other as support.

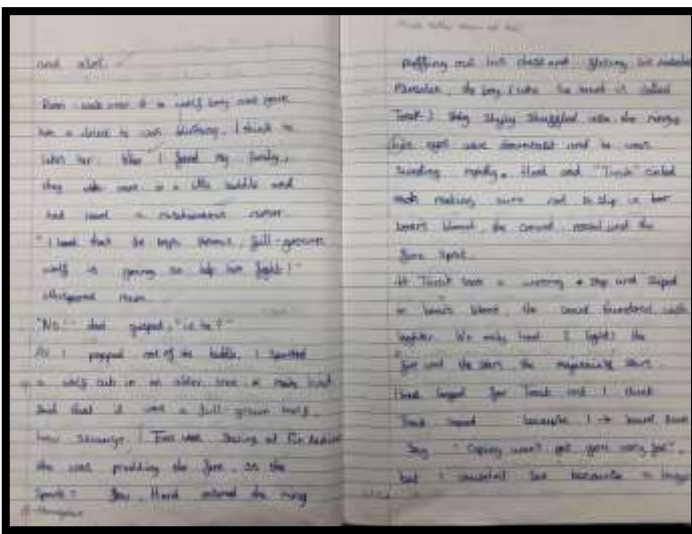


These are a few of our Roman pots made from clay.





Year 5 have been immersing ourselves in our class text "Wolf Brother" by Michelle Paver. This week, we have been writing some fantastic eyewitness accounts of an action-packed fight scene in the story. We have been challenged to include the 'Show, not tell' technique to suggest the emotions of characters and also well-chosen and accurately punctuated speech. Can you spot any in these fab extracts?



Year 6

As part of our science curriculum, Year 6 recreated the digestive system using a variety of everyday objects, taking a trip along the entire system, from the mouth to .. well, you know.

Those of a squeamish disposition should avoid scrolling down!



Christmas is on its way!

Year 6 have been busy writing, composing and rehearsing their very own Christmas carols for our end of term Christmas church service. Incorporating a range of instruments, beautiful singing voices and even some Italian and Ukrainian lyrics, the Year 6 children have done wonderfully well working as a team and creating their very own Christmas carols.





Father George came to visit us from St Winefried's Church and led our Assembly on Tuesday. We shared the story of The Good Samaritan.



Our new Prayer tree currently hosts some thoughtful Remembrance Prayers written by Year 3.

Keep an eye on our Faith Zone to see how it changes throughout the seasons.



Year 2 have been working with Mrs Brennan to create 3D sculptures of the 3 Kings to take to Southwark Cathedral for their 'Journey to the Manger'



Queen's win their first tag rugby league match!

Kew Riverside 2 - 12 Queen's

Queen's travelled to Kew Riverside to play their first league match of the season. Showing excellent teamwork in both attack and defence, great distribution of the ball and fantastic running lines, Queen's played some superb rugby and came out as winners with a 2-12 victory. Well done to the tag rugby squad!



Queen's v Broomfield Netball

The Queen's A and B teams took on our local neighbours, Broomfield, in a fabulous friendly netball match. It was great for so many of the squad to have the opportunity to play, show off their skills learnt in netball club and come away with a win!

Borough Cross Country Trials

Last week saw a staggering 64 children in Years 5 and 6 run 14 laps of the astro as part of their trial for the Borough Cross Country team! This was an astonishing turnout and all children should be incredibly proud of themselves. We were overwhelmed not only with the number of children that trialled but also by the grit and determination shown by everyone. It was certainly a sight to see and an enjoyable time had by all! Watch this space for more school running events!

Well done to all the children that put themselves forward and ran the route. Sadly, we can only take 12 runners to the Borough event - congratulations and good luck to those selected for the Cross Country on Friday 2nd December.



After a mile run around the school, Tuesday morning's Running & Fitness Club made use of the playground facilities to keep fit and active.

M:Tech Music Technology – Spring 2023 Term

M:Tech is an extracurricular music technology and creative composition course for children aged 7-13.

They teach the fundamentals of music composition theory, with young learners composing soundtracks to fun and engaging multimedia projects like movie trailers and TV adverts.

In the Spring 2023 term the children will be working on Project SPACE:



Explore rocket boosted beats,
cosmic chords and
galactic sound effects,
as we journey into -

Project Space!

After completing a term of lessons, learners will have created and completed their own unique piece of music to add to their growing M:Tech portfolio. This is sent home and certificates are awarded to mark their improvement and progress on the M:Tech course.

This course is administered directly by M:Tech and to register your child's interest please sign up online www.mtechonline.co.uk or call The M:Tech team on 01483 578114.

Fees are £14.00 per weekly sessions of 60 minutes. Your bill will be adjusted to reflect the exact number of lessons in a term.



Dear Parents & Carers,

Each year the PSA sells wreaths at the Christmas Fair. They contribute a large percentage of our fair profits plus, they look and smell amazing. In past years, volunteers would make the wreaths in the morning during the days leading up to the fair. Recently, we have expanded to include an evening ZOOM workshop so that more parents can join in.



DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A CHRISTMAS WREATH?

We have two options for you.

Option 1: FREE Join us at St Luke's to assemble wreaths for sale at the Queen's Christmas Market. You can join us on Tuesday from 9am to 2pm, Wednesday from 11am to 2pm and Thursday from 9am to 2pm. There will be experienced wreath crafters on hand to help you out. This workshop is free to attend, and you can make as many wreaths as you like.

Option 2: £40-£50 Book our online wreath-making workshop to make a wreath for your front door. This ZOOM event will be on 30 November 8pm. Your ticket price includes the wreath kit and class and you'll be able to choose your wreath style and size at checkout.

Booking for these two options is on [PTA Events](#).

I DON'T WANT TO MAKE ONE, I WANT TO BUY ONE...

Are you looking forward to buying a Queen's Christmas Wreath at the Queen's Christmas Fair? Show up early on December 3rd for the best wreath selection. Wreaths will be sold in the Hall next to the stage. Bring cash or a card.

The Wreath Team

Christmas Fair Saturday 3rd December. Please add the date to your diary if you haven't already done so. It will be a great day.

As always we need parent volunteers to make it happen. Please select a task and time slot via the PTA Events link below, to help out your class' booth

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/queenskewpsa/#.Y2OdqyXfXDs>

Silent Auction

Year 2 are running the Silent Auction at the Christmas fair this year; proceeds from which are always a significant source of PSA funds. If you or your employer are in a position to donate something we can auction, please let the PSA or your class rep know ASAP.

Wreath-making

Join the team to either forage for materials or make the wreaths to see it the Christmas fair. If interested, please let the PSA know!

Bake Sales

Held at pick up time in front of the Astro turf. Full Shedule of the remaining classes for this term is available on PTA events link below:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/queenskewpsa/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=50454#.Y2OgzCXfXDs>

And finally...

A huge thank-you to all Class Reps and Volunteers, that helped tremendously with our fundraising efforts last year. Below is a chart depicting how the money was raised by event. Keep up the good work, All! We really appreciate it x

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QUEEN'S SCHOOL PSA



Raise Money for The Queen's School Whilst Shopping Online

Thank you to those of you who signed up to *Easyfundraising* and used *AmazonSmile* for your Christmas shopping. Just a reminder that these function throughout the year so please continue to use them.

The PSA & School Governing Body

AMAZON SMILE

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to the chosen charity.

On your first visit to the site, you will be asked to log in to your Amazon account with existing username and password (you do not need a separate account for AmazonSmile). You will then be prompted to choose a charity to support. During future visits to the site, AmazonSmile will remember your charity and apply eligible purchases towards your total contribution—it is that easy!

The link below will set you up immediately with Queen's as your chosen beneficiary.

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/283103-0>

EASYFUNDRAISING

This site works in a similar way to AmazonSmile but for many more online retailers such as John Lewis (2% transaction value), M&S (1.5%), Argos, Sainsbury's, eBay, booking.com and many more. So long as you enter those sites via *Easyfundraising* the PSA will get a % of your transaction value.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/queensprimary/>

Follow the link above.

Click on 'Support this cause.'

Then you need to set up an account, and shop via the home page from then on

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Date and Time

- 9.00 am - 1.00 pm, every Sunday from 30th October, 2022

Fees for 8 Weeks/Sessions

- Musician's Class: £175 for 60 mins
- Chamber Music Session:
Strings - £210 for 45 mins
Four Hands - £210 for 30 mins
- Young Prodigy Listeners: £165 for 30 mins of 8 sessions
- Instrumental Lessons:
£30 for 30 mins per session
£45 for 45 mins per session
£60 for 60 mins per session

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