

Queensgate Primary School Newsletter 8.12.23



- Well, things are certainly starting to feeling festive at Queensgate! Well done to Year 4, who ably led the Carol Concert on Tuesday evening at Bramhall Methodist Church. The singing was fantastic from Year 4, 5 and 6. It was lovely to see the Church so full of the children's family and friends. Our Nursery, Reception and Year 2 classes are busy rehearsing ready for their performances next week.
- Year 6 had a fantastic trip back in time when they visited the Stockport air raid museum.
 They travelled by train and we were delighted when two separate members of the public



contacted school to say that they had spotted the children on the train and were so impressed with how well behaved and polite they were! Well done Year 6.





- Well done to Y5 Ash for their fundraising for Destiny Garden School in Mombasa. They worked so hard to make enough toast for all the hungry customers in school and raised £150! The support that the children and school community have shown for Destiny Garden School has been fantastic. We know that the money we raise will help provide the very vulnerable children in Destiny Garden School with basics such as; food, shelter, clothing, education, and access to proper health care. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about the school and how you can donate.
- ♦ We also recently raised £494.60 for Children in Need. £137.10 of this came from Class R's cake sale.
- The Poppy Appeal raised £146 for the Royal British Legion.

Thank you to so many of our families that attended the recent Parents' Evenings. We hope you found the meetings informative. As always, please don't feel that you have to wait for these meetings to talk to us about what is going well for your child in school or what they might need extra support with. If you were unable to make the meeting, please contact the school office to re-arrange.

Staff news

I am delighted to be able to share with you the very special news that Mrs Hammett had a baby boy, Toby, on Monday 4th December. They are both doing well. Congratulations!

Christmas in school information

- Christmas parties: Children may come to school dressed in their party clothes on the day of their party. Please bear in mind that they will still be outside at playtimes and lunchtimes, so will need to wear warm layers and suitable footwear. They will have party food and you have been sent a Google Form to sign up for party food donations. Please remember that all donations need to be nut-free and should be sent into school with your child on the day of the party.
- **Christmas cards**: there is no obligation for your child to write cards for their class, but we know that lots of children do like to do so. These can be posted in our school Post Box in the entrance area and will then be delivered to the classes by Year 6 children. Please remember to add the child's name and class to the envelope.
- Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day: On Friday 15th December school dinner will be a traditional Christmas lunch and meals should already have been ordered on School Grid. Children may also wear a Christmas jumper with their school uniform on this day.
- Friday 22nd December: Children should wear their normal school uniform on this day. Individual classes will post on Seesaw if the children are being asked to bring in board games etc on that day.

Feedback from Parent Partnership Meeting

As you know, we regularly hold informal Parent Partnership meetings on the school premises and all parent/ carers are welcome to attend. At our last meeting, I discussed with the parents that attended our current School Development Plan- how the priorities had been selected and what changes your child might share with you as result of new initiatives. There was lots of discussion (plus coffee and biscuits!) and the parents said that they felt they had a much better understanding of the school's priorities for the year. Our next meeting is on **Thursday 8th February, 9.00- 9.30AM in Larks and Owls**.

Important dates coming up

12.12.23: 9.30AM Reception and Nursery play for parents/carers

2.00PM Y2 play for parents/carers
13.12.23: Year 5 trip to Jodrell Bank

14.12.23: 9.30AM Y2 play for parents/carers

2.00PM Reception and Nursery play for parents/carers
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15.12.23: Christmas jumper day (Nursery – Y6)

Christmas lunch for the children

15.12.23: 2.45PM Y1 and Y3 Carols and mince pies, parents/ carers
18.12.23: Nursery, Reception parties
19.12.23: Y1, Y2 Christmas parties
20.12.23: Y3, Y4 Christmas parties
21.12.23: Y5, Y6 Christmas parties
22.12.23: 10.30- 10.45AM Y4 ukulele mini concert for parents/carers
*** 22.12.23: School closes for Christmas holidays ***

*** Monday 8th January- School re-opens ***

Have a lovely weekend everyone. Thank you for your on-going support. Mrs Hitchcock Headteacher