



# Queensgate Primary School Newsletter 10.3.23



## World Book Day 2023

Thank you for all your support with our 2023 World Book Day celebrations. A great day was had by all!



## Y5 at Robinwood

Mr Berger-North, Mrs Dyson, Mrs Naden and myself were very impressed with Year 5's behaviour and positive attitude on their 3-day residential trip to Robinwood Activity Centre. They faced the physical and mental challenges brilliantly, showing excellent support for each other. Their lovely manners were noted by one of the caterers, who told us how much he appreciated every child thanking them for their food, and that this was very rare for school groups. Well done Year 5 for being excellent ambassadors for Queensgate!

## School meals

Our school meal providers have noticed that we have an increasing number of children who have not had their meals pre-ordered. It is essential that they have this information in advance, in order that the children can have the meal that they would like and so that staff can pre-order the required ingredients, plan portion sizes and avoid unnecessary waste. Please ensure your child's meals are pre-ordered (preferably a least one week in advance).

## Competition winners

Well done to Audrey and Phoebe Walker, who entered Manchester Airport's World Book Day writing competition. They were both successful and their stories will be featured in a new children's book about Manchester Airport. Their £50 book voucher prize for school is much appreciated.

## St Michael's Club

A new after-school club, "Footprints" is starting at St Michael's Church in Bramhall. It will be held each Monday in term-time from 4- 5.15pm and is aimed at children 5-10 years old. Sessions will include snack time, games and crafts, and will end with a Bible story time. Parents don't need to stay for the club. See additional email attachment for further information.

**END OF THE DAY ARRANGEMENTS:  
PLEASE LET US KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE (BY 11.00AM AT THE LATEST)  
IF THERE IS A CHANGE TO YOUR CHILD'S PICK-UP ARRANGEMENTS)**

## Council Consultation regarding parking near school

**Please have your say! Consultation responses must be received by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

The Council's overall strategic transport ambition is to increase the number of children walking or cycling to school, both to reduce congestion on roads, improve local air quality, and improve health outcomes. For this to be achieved, it is important that walking or cycling to school is a safe option for children and their families.

To support this ambition, Traffic Services have been working to tackle key concerns which have been raised by schools and local Members.

The following improvements have been identified surrounding **Queensgate Primary School**:

- Introduction of School Keep Clear Markings on the approach to the school entrance (Monday to Friday 8.00am - 5.00pm). North side only.
- Refresh existing School Keep Clear Markings
- Provision of an uncontrolled crossing point near the bend of Albany Road opposite the school to aid pedestrians.
- Introduction of No Waiting at Any Time restriction (Double Yellow Lines) with additional No Loading restrictions (to apply Monday to Friday 8.00am - 5.00pm), on Albany Road to the eastern side opposite the school / Keep Clear markings. These restrictions are proposed to keep this stretch of carriageway clear of parked vehicles at school drop-off and pick-up times, improving safety for pedestrians with visibility and keeping the area clear to support the crossing point in this location.
- Introduction of No Waiting (Single Yellow Line) with additional No Loading restrictions (to apply Monday to Friday 8.00am – 9.30am and 2.30pm to 3.30pm), from the proposed (Double Yellow lines) to the existing School Keep Clear markings, which will incorporate the whole of the turning head to the south of Albany Road/school entrance. These restrictions are proposed to keep this stretch of carriageway clear of parked vehicles at school drop-off and pick-up times, to aid residential accesses and improving safety for pedestrians, likewise from the pedestrian footpath off Woodford Road.
- Introduction of No Waiting at Any Time restriction (Double Yellow Lines) at the junction of Albany Road where it meets Meadway including opposite the junction to keep the junctions clear of parked vehicles, protecting intervisibility between pedestrians and motorists whilst also ensuring vehicles can negotiate the junctions safely.
- Replace existing Signage on existing posts for restrictions around the schools on Albany Road.
- Refresh school entrance carriageway lining to define the boundary between the main carriageway and the traffic emerging from the school entrance junction
- Introduction of No Waiting with No Loading restriction (Single Yellow Line) for (Monday to Friday 8.00am - 9.30am and 2.30pm - 3.30pm), on the turning head of Oakfield Close to support school entrance.
- Introduction of Access Protection Markings (H-bars) for several properties along Albany Road.

To assist Stockport Council in reaching a decision on this matter, we would like to invite you to view, consider and provide your feedback to the plans of the proposals, by completing the survey online at: [www.stockport.gov.uk/haveyoursay](http://www.stockport.gov.uk/haveyoursay). If you require a hard copy of the survey, please contact the team at: [SchoolRoadSafety@stockport.gov.uk](mailto:SchoolRoadSafety@stockport.gov.uk) or call the contact centre on 0161 217 6043.

## Important dates coming up

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March:** Nursery "Stay and Play" 9.00 – 9.30AM (for beginning of the week children)

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March:** Diversity workshops for Y5 and Y6

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March:** National Education Union industrial action day

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March:** National Education Union industrial action day

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March:** Nursery "Stay and Play" 9.00 – 9.30AM (for end of the week children)

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March:** Comic Relief Red Nose Day. Dress won day – wear brightly coloured clothes.

Donations can be made online (please do not send cash in) at

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=10523>

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:** Parents' Evening (*bookings go live at 6pm on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March*)

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**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March:** 2.30PM Year 1 Oak Food technology workshop

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March:** 2.30PM Year 1 Elm Food technology workshop

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March:** 9.05 Reception Tales Toolkit session with children and parents

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March:** 11.00 – 12.00 Class R Easter crafts and coffee morning

**Friday March 31<sup>st</sup>:** Queensgate Talent Show

**\*\*\* Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March: School closes for two weeks \*\*\***

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April:** School re-opens

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April:** Y2 trip to Dunham Massey

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May:** 8.45- 9.30AM- Open morning for current parents/ carers. Please pop in to look at your child's books with them and let them tell you about everything they have been learning this year. As this will be a very busy event and the classrooms will be extremely full, we can only allow 1 parent/ carer per family.

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May:** Class photographs

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May:** 9.30AM Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Day

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May:** 9.30AM Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Sports Day

**\*\*\*Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May: School closes for two weeks\*\*\***

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June:** 2.30PM Year 3 Ancient Civilisations workshop

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July:** Nursery "Stay and Play" 9.00 – 9.30AM (for beginning of the week children)

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July:** Year 5 Shakespeare performance at the Lowry theatre in the evening

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July:** Nursery "Stay and Play" 9.00 – 9.30AM (for end of the week children)

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July:** 2.30PM Year 2 Design and technology workshop

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July:** 11.15AM – 11.45 Year 4 (both classes) ukulele performance

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July:** 6.00PM Year 6 Leavers' Play (**please note change of date**)

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July:** 9.10AM Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Mrs Hitchcock  
Headteacher