



Queensgate Primary School Newsletter

11.11.22



Last week, all the children studied the book, [Migrants](#), by Issa Watanabe. We were overwhelmed by the children's sensitive and empathetic responses to this powerful wordless picture book. Keep an eye out for the new display in the Entrance Hall, showcasing their learning about this current issue facing so many people around the world.

Headlice

Within most schools at any one time, there will be a small number of children infected with head lice. Infection levels remain fairly constant so we need your help to combat the bugs! We have a case of head lice in school. We would ask all parents to examine their children's hair carefully and to take the appropriate action if required.

What can I do as a parent to help control infection?

It is the responsibility of parents/ carers to detect and administer treatment for head lice to their own children. We would like you to check your child for head lice once a week using a nit comb which are available from the local chemist. From time to time you will receive a message from school to remind you of our campaign to 'take a peek!' in your child's hair. This is a reminder to check your child's hair as head lice don't always cause an itchy scalp (head) so many people will be unaware that they are infected. We understand girls like to wear their hair down, but we do request that long hair is tied up to minimise head to head contact in school.

Treating head lice is not a problem. Detection and effective ongoing treatment of head lice is key to reducing the outbreaks.

If you would like more information about treating headlice, please click [here](#) for a link to advice on our school website.

Children in Need 2022

The children are invited to wear any spotty items to school on Friday 18th November with a £1 donation for the Children in Need appeal. As Queensgate is a cashless school this should be done online using this [link](#).

This year the focus of the appeal is to raise funds to change young people's lives across the UK.

Thank you for your support.

Can you help?

For a number of years, an ex-parent has kindly volunteered to audit our School Fund accounts on an annual basis. Sadly, they are no longer able to do so. If you are a qualified accountant and would be willing to undertake this task for school, please email admin@queensgate.stockprtp.sch.uk. It is not an onerous task, as this account is not used very often. Thank you very much!

Christmas Lunch arrangements

It is a long way off, but Christmas will be here before we know it! On Friday 16th December the children who have school meals will have the option of a traditional Christmas lunch (please pre-order early to help the cook plan her numbers). Children who have packed lunches are welcome to bring in a nut-free Christmas themed lunch on that day e.g. turkey sandwich, mince pie etc.

Children can wear Christmas Jumpers to school on this day.

Important dates coming up

- 16.11.22:** AM - Year 2 trip to Sharston Synagogue, PM - Year 6 to Crucial Crew
- 17.11.22:** Catch-up day for school photographer
- 18.11.22:** Children in Need (spotty/ brightly coloured clothes - [link for online donations](#))
- 21- 25.11.22:** Year 6 Bikeability
- 22.11.22:** Parent/ teacher meetings (see email sent this week re booking)
- 23.11.22:** Parent/ teacher meetings (see email sent this week re booking)
- 25.11.22:** Own clothes day. Donations for Christmas Fair - Nursery- Y2 chocolates, Y3- Y6 bottles.
- 29.11.22:** Year 5 trip to Jodrell Bank
- 2.12.22:** PTA Christmas Fair in Hall. 3.15- 5.30PM
- 6.12.22:** 6.30PM Y4, Y5, Y6 Carol service at Bramhall Methodist Church
- 7.12.22:** Year 6 trip to Stockport air-raid shelters
- 8.12.22:** 2.30PM Parent partnership meeting in school
- 13.12.22:** 9.30AM Reception Christmas production (parents/carers invited to attend)
2.00PM Year 2 Christmas production (parents/carers invited to attend)
- 14.12.22:** Reception Theatre visit to see "The Man who wanted to be a penguin"
- 15.12.22:** 9.30AM Year 2 Christmas production (parents/carers invited to attend)
2.00PM Reception Christmas production (parents/carers invited to attend)
- 16.12.22:** Nursery/ Reception Christmas party day
Christmas lunch for the children
Christmas jumper day
- 19.12.22:** Year 1, Year 2 Christmas party day
- 20.12.22:** Year 3, Year 4 Christmas party day
2.45PM Year 1 and Year 3 Carols and mince pies in the playground
- 21.12.22:** Year 5, Year 6 Christmas party day
- *** THURSDAY 22.12.22: School closes for Christmas holidays *****
***** School re-opens Monday 9th January 2023 *****

Thank you for your support in all that we do as a QPS family. It is much appreciated.

Mrs Hitchcock
Headteacher