



Newsletter

Keeping parents and carers informed of Team Quinta news.

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Welcome

We've had another exciting and productive week here at The Quinta Primary School! The scooter and skateboarding workshops delivered by Team Rubicon were definitely the highlight of the week. Their enthusiastic instructors engaged our children in a series of fun activities to build their road safety awareness, scooting and skateboarding skills, whilst improving their balance and overall confidence. We will now be looking to purchase some skateboards and protective equipment to improve our provision further.

Another event worth mentioning was National Teachers' Day, which we celebrated by inviting children to come to school dressed as a teacher or in non-uniform. The funds raised from this event will support the purchase of new outdoor equipment and contribute to the new artificial grass installation in preschool. A huge thank you to The Friends of Quinta for organising and to everyone for your generous donations.

On the topic of fundraising, we kindly ask that all forms and contributions from the recent Colour Run are returned in a named envelope either to your child's class teacher or to the school office as soon as possible. The proceeds will help support future enrichment activities and equipment for the school.

Finally, I want to update you on some staffing developments: Mr Corless and Mrs Bernard have left The Quinta. We wish them well in the future. Mrs Smith has shared her exciting news that she is pregnant and due to have a baby in March. I am sure you will join me in congratulating her and wishing her a safe pregnancy.

With all of this news I am sure you will have questions. I assure you that from a SEND point of view we will have some exciting developments to share soon, but for now please contact the class teacher with regards any additional needs as they will be best placed to support or redirect as appropriate. We will be looking to recruit 2 full time class teachers to cover the maternity and the a teaching vacancy in school.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Warm regards,
Mr Sharpe
Head Teacher



**Mr Sharpe,
Head Teacher**

Looking at The Week Ahead



We like to make sure you are ready for the week ahead so here is some key information as to what to expect.

Individual School Photos

When: Wednesday 9th October

What you need to know:

All children need to come in uniform.



World Mental Health Day

When: Thursday 10th October

What you need to know:

Year 6 are holding a cake sale to raise funds for this worthy cause. For further information please see page 5.



Open Day Tours

When: Friday 11th October

What you need to know:

New parents will be shown around the school. If you know of anyone that would like to join The Quinta please ask them to book on by contacting the School Office. For further information see page 3.



Open Day Tours

We are holding whole school open day tours, from Reception right up to Year 6. If your child is interested in join us during this academic year, or our Reception 2025 intake, feel free to come along. To book, simply contact the school office on the details below.



Open Day TOURS

FRIDAY
27TH SEPTEMBER

9:30 - 10:15

FRIDAY
4TH OCTOBER

9:30 - 10:15

FRIDAY
11TH OCTOBER

9:30 - 10:15

JOIN US AND TAKE A LOOK

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What you'll see...

- The stimulating learning environment within school
- A chance to chat to Staff
- Some of the current children's work and the curriculum followed
- How we live our values each day in school



TO BOOK

Call on 01260 221640

Email admin@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk

Next Friends of Quinta Event

Our next exciting Friends of Quinta Event is the Halloween Disco. Dress your children in their spookiest costumes and send them down to the Halloween Disco, promising a night filled with thrilling music, costumes, and ghoulishly good fun.

A vibrant poster for a Halloween Disco event. The background is a gradient from purple to blue, decorated with a spiderweb in the top left, various colorful starbursts, and two cartoon bats with yellow stars on their chests. In the center is a friendly-looking ghost wearing sunglasses and holding a colorful disco ball. At the top center is a circular logo for 'Friends of Quinta' (FQ).

 Friends of Quinta

HALLOWEEN DISCO

FRIDAY 18TH OCTOBER
KS1 4.00 – 4.45
KS2 5.00 – 5.45
£3.50 ENTRY

Get your spookiest costume on and join us for our Halloween Disco. Includes a free drink and sweets. entrance and exit through the rear hall doors. FOQ shop will also be open for children to purchase items.

If Your Child Feels Unwell

If your child is feeling under the weather with a cough, cold, headache or generally feeling unwell, they are still welcome to come in to school. If they require Calpol please supply your child's teacher or the school office with the relevant medication and a medical permissions form found in the School Office or online [here](#).



Help Year 6 Raise Money for their Charity

On Thursday 10th October Year 6 will be holding a cake sale. If your child would like to purchase a cake and support their charity please remember to send your child into school with some funds.

World Mental Health Day

On Thursday 10th October, Y6 will be having a bake sale to raise money for Young Minds charity.

**Wear it loud.
Wear it proud.**



We plan to sell cakes at KS1 break and KS2 break (no nuts in any cakes please). We would like them to be yellow themed and store bought is absolutely fine!

Y6 children can also come into school wearing something yellow if they choose on this day.

No Parking on School Zig-Zags

Please do not park on the school zig-zags. These markings are placed to ensure clear visibility for both drivers and pedestrians, especially children.

We have had a number of complaints into the school and in response we have urged them to contact the non emergency police (101), as well as Cheshire East Highways using the following reference number. This is so we can build a case for better traffic patrols, systems and markings as this may in future save a member of our community being seriously injured. REF: 3460938

Please help us maintain a safe environment for everyone around the school zone.



The Friends of Quinta need your help!

The Friends of Quinta are an amazing team associated with the school. They help to raise funds for enrichment activities and equipment; ultimately improving your child's learning and experience here at The Quinta Primary School.

If you would like to be part of the Friends of Quinta team, even if it's to help for a few hours at one of their events, or simply to find out a bit more information, please pop along to their coffee morning on Monday 14th October.

MEET AND GREET FRIENDS OF QUINTA PTA COFFEE MORNING



MONDAY 14TH OCTOBER
9AM

ALL WELCOME, COME ALONG AND SEE WHAT WE DO AND HOW YOU CAN HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE TOO.
ENTRANCE VIA THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF SCHOOL TO SIGN IN.

We are hiring: Gardener wanted

Are you passionate about creating beautiful outdoor spaces? Join our team and help us further develop our school grounds into vibrant, thriving landscapes!

The position:

We will only require two hours of your time, every two weeks initially.

Projects that we would like looking at are: general garden maintenance (mowing, planting, weeding, pruning) and creating and implementing garden designs.

Requirements:

Previous gardening or landscaping experience preferred, knowledge of plants and garden tools, strong attention to detail and a love for the outdoors.

Ready to grow with us?

Please call The School Office on: 01260 221 640, or email cwilliamson@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk

Apply now and help us make our gardens bloom!



Please can we ask that all fundraising forms and money raised from the Colour Run are returned to your class Teacher or the School Office in a named envelope as soon as possible.



Application for school places In-year or from September 2025 is Now Open

Applications for September 2025 can be made from 1 September 2024. This is for places at a school from Reception right up to Year 6.

If you already have a government parent portal account (this is separate from a Cheshire East account), you can log in and start the new application.

If you do not yet have a parent portal account, you can create one on the parent portal. [Click here.](#)

Please note you still need to apply even if your child is in The Quinta Preschool.

Apply online for a school place

It's quick and easy

If you are a parent resident in Cheshire East, with a child born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, your child will be due to start primary school in September 2025.

If you do not have web access call 0300 123 5012



You can apply from 1st September 2024 at www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Applications should be submitted by

31st October 2024 for secondary

15th January 2025 for primary

Late applications may be disadvantaged

Cheshire East Council

THE QUINTA
CHRISTMAS TOY APPEAL
in conjunction with Dane Housing

If you are struggling in the run-up to Christmas and you would like help in bringing a little happiness to your child in the form of a gift please contact smassey@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk

This is totally confidential and an assessment will be made on a case-by-case basis as to whether a gift will be allocated.

Do you need support with gifts this Christmas?

If you are struggling in the run-up to Christmas and you would like help in bringing a little happiness to your child in the form of a gift please contact smassey@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk

This is totally confidential and an assessment will be made on a case-by-case basis as to whether a gift will be allocated.

Harvest Collection & Whole School Assembly

The Storehouse is the chosen charity of our Year 1 pupils this year. In support of this we are asking everyone to donate a food or drink item to help those in need. Collection will be Monday 21st or Tuesday 22nd October. We will then be holding a whole school assembly on Tuesday 22nd October in conjunction with the New Life Church where Year 1 parents (maximum 2) have the opportunity to attend.



HELP US SUPPORT OTHERS IN CONJUNCTION WITH



As a school we love supporting our community. We are inviting all pupils to donate any food and drink items that they can to the food bank ran by New Life Church. Please can we ask that all items are passed to teachers on the dates below as the van will take the items after assembly.

FOOD COLLECTION -



MONDAY 21ST OCTOBER & TUESDAY 22ND OCTOBER
WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY - TUESDAY 22ND OCTOBER

Some suggested items for donation: tinned potatoes, tinned pasta, tinned fruit, tinned tomatoes, pasta sauce, tea bags, tinned veg, pasta, rice pudding, packet rice, packet noodles, rice, custard, corned beef, crisps, UHT milk, tinned stew, soup, tinned ham, chocolate, cereal, tinned curry, hotdogs, jam, biscuits, sweets, porridge, tinned chilli.



Taking Holiday in Term Time

Here at The Quinta we are passionate about providing your child with the best learning experience. We understand on some instances it is essential to take your child out of school but please be aware of the new fining structure.



PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ARE CHANGING !

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force on 19 August 2024.

Penalty Notices will be issued for

Term time leave: Penalty Notice fines will be issued for term time leave of 5 or more consecutive days.

10 Sessions of Unauthorised absence in a rolling 10 week period: A Penalty Notices may be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absences in a 10 week period.

However, we retain the discretion to issue a Penalty Notice before the threshold is met. For example, where parents are deliberately avoiding the national threshold by taking several term time holidays below the above thresholds.

Per Parent/Per Child

Penalty Notice fines will continue to be issued per parent per child. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular school attendance the fine will be charged at:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days of the issue, reducing to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

(Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

Second Offence

Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second penalty notice to the same parent for the same pupil within 3 years of the first penalty notice, for either term time leave or irregular attendance the second penalty notice will be charged at:

£160 if paid within 28 days. (Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

Third Offence

On the third time that an offence is committed within 3 years of the first penalty notice for either a term time leave or irregular attendance a penalty notice will not be issued. The case may proceed to Parental Prosecution under the Single Justice Procedure. If found guilty of the offence of 'Failure to send a child to school' the Magistrates can impose a fine up to £1000 or legal proceedings under Section 444 (1a) can include a fine of up to £2500.





School Meal Menus

ORDER NOW



HALLOWEEN MENU

TUESDAY 22ND OCTOBER

Join us for our spooktacular themed menu. We have some fang-tastic items for your children to get their teeth into...

MAIN

Creepy crawly cheese and tomato pizza, French fries and beans.

DESSERTS

Super spooky Halloween cupcakes.
A variety of fruit.

DRINK

Assorted drinks.

ORDER VIA SCOPAY BY MONDAY 14TH OCTOBER.



School Meal Menus

ORDER NOW



Our New Menu is Available to Order Now

To order our new school meal menu ready for when we return after October Half Term please visit your [Scopay Account](#) by clicking the icon above.



FOOD MENU
Autumn Term 2
2024

SCOPAY CODES
Main - R
Jacket Potato - G
Ham Sandwich - H
Cheese Sandwich - C
Tuna Sandwich - F
Cold Pasta Salad - P
Hot Pasta Salad - B
Vegetarian - Y

MONDAY

Battered chicken nuggets or vegetable nuggets, skinny fries and baked beans.
Muller yoghurt - strawberry or toffee.

TUESDAY

British pork sausages or vegetable sausages with sauté potatoes, gravy and carrots.
Flapjack.

WEDNESDAY

Crispy chicken strips or Meadowvale vegan strips with a wrap and sweetcorn.
Vanilla cupcakes.

Water and milk served Monday - Thursday

Water, milk and juice served on a Friday

THURSDAY

Pasta bolognese or plant-based bolognese, garlic bread, sweetcorn and carrot mix.
Chocolate brownie.

FRIDAY

Birdseye Omega 3 Fish Fingers or vegetable fingers, chips and mixed vegetables.
Cookies.

AVAILABLE EVERY DAY

Fresh fruit

Sandwiches

Jacket potatoes

Build your own pasta

Vegan options are available



School Meal Menus

ORDER NOW



Our New Menu is Available to Order Now

To order our new school meal menu ready for when we return after October Half Term please visit your [Scopay Account](#) by clicking the icon above.



Build Your Own Pasta

We have a wide selection of yummy and healthy ingredients for children to create their very own exciting pasta salad each day.

Cold Selection



Ham



Tuna



Cheese



Sweetcorn



Cucumber



Tomatoes

Hot Selection



Hot pasta with tomato and mascarpone sauce



Important Dates And Events

October

- 9th October Tempest Photography individual photos
- 10th World Mental Health Day
- 11th October Open day / show round for new parents, 9:30 - 10:15 - Reception to Year 6
- 18th Y5 Clonter Opera Workshops
- 18th KS1 Bee Active Circus Skills
- 18th October Bee Active KS1 Circus Skills
- 18th Halloween Disco. KS1 4-4:45pm, KS2 5-5:45pm
- 21st October food donations into school for Harvest
- 22nd October food donations into school for Harvest
- 22nd October Harvest Festival in conjunction with the New Life Foodbank. Whole school assembly but parents and carers are invited for children in Year 1,
- 22nd October Halloween Lunch
- 23rd Y4 level 1 Bikeability
- 25th Whole school Diwali experience morning (R.E.) actual dates 31st October - Friday 1st November



Important Dates And Events

November

- 4th November Whole School Inset Day
- 5th November Whole School Guy Fawkes experience morning (History)
- 5th November Bonfire Lunch
- 6th November Year 5 to Clonter
- 11th Whole school Remembrance experience morning (History)
- 11th November Flu Nasal Spray (FLUENZ)
- 12th November Odd Socks Day
- 15th November Children in Need (whole school)
- 19th and 20th November year 5 bikeability
- 29th November FOQ Santa Shop (9 - 12)
- 29th November Quidditch KS2 Bee Active
- 29th November FOA Wreath Making Workshop 6-8pm

December

- 2nd December Year 6 assessment week
- 6th December FOQ Merry Market & Quinta Wonderland
- 9th December Key Stage 1 Nativity afternoon 1.30-2.30 and evening 5-6
- 10th December Key Stage 1 Nativity afternoon 1.30-2.30
- 12th December KS2 Christmas carol concert Astbury Church
- 16th & 17th December Y2 Standon Bowers (2 days 1 night)
- 16th December Pre-school Nativity Dress Rehearsal - watched by Reception and extra family members. **Date change**
- 17th December Pre-school Nativity performance watched by parents and carers. **Date change**
- 20th December Last day of term (Friday) Christmas experience morning
- 20th December Christmas Dinner day - **date change from 18th**

Odd Socks Day Anti-Bullying Week

This year for Anti-Bullying week 11th – 15th November we will be taking part in ‘ODD SOCKS’ day on Tuesday 12th November. We want to encourage everyone to put on their most colourful socks and celebrate the fact we are all different! No donations are required for this event, just dress your feet in some wonderful socks!



With the support of 

This **ANTI-BULLYING WEEK** we are holding

ODD SOCKS DAY on
TUESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2024

 Come to school wearing your odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique!

#OddSocksDay
#AntiBullyingWeek
#ChooseRespect

If you're worried about bullying you can speak to ...

- Mr Sharpe
- Ms Stones
- Miss Massey
- Mrs Gibson
- Your Class Teacher
- Your Parents
- Your Friends



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 **ANTI-BULLYING ALLIANCE**

 **CHOOSE RESPECT**

 **ODD SOCKS DAY**

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School Communications and Applications

Seesaw

Seesaw is the application that we use within school to document your child's learning journey. If you require further information regarding this please see below.

[Seesaw app information](#)

[Welcome to Seesaw handout](#)

It might help you to print out the QR code and keep this as once you log out of your child's account you will need the code to log back in again. If you are having difficulties please see your child's class teacher.

School Spider

School Spider is The Quinta Primary School's main form of communication. If you are new to the school or are having problems using the application please follow the steps below.

For new parents

To create an account with School

Spider

- Download the FREE School Spider App
- Select our school
- Click Parent Login
- Click 'Create Account'
- Input the email address we have on file for your child/children
- Follow the steps in the email you receive. Please note, your username is NOT your email address

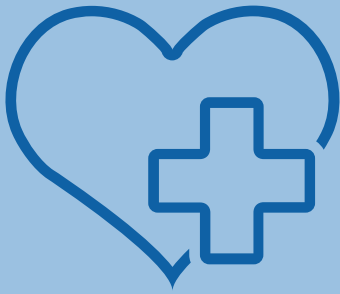
For existing parents

If you have used School Spider before but you cannot remember your login details:

- Make sure you have the latest version of School Spider App
- Select our school
- Click Parent Login
- Click Forgot Password
- Enter your email address and it will send you a reset password link and username. Please note, your username is NOT your email address

[Parent App Guide.pdf](#)





Flu Vaccine

Flu Nasal Spray in School

The flu nasal spray will be taking place in school on Monday 11th November.

Further information regarding this will be communicated with parents and carers within the next two weeks.

NHS

flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child

- 1. Protect your child**
The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia
- 2. Protect you, your family and friends**
Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family
- 3. No injection needed**
The nasal spray is painless and easy to have
- 4. It's better than having flu**
The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record
- 5. Avoid costs**
If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

Most children have the nasal spray vaccine which is the preferred vaccine. A vaccine injection is also available which does not contain gelatine from pigs (porcine gelatine).

For more information visit www.nhs.uk/child-flu

Flu i mmunisation
Helping to protect children, every winter

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