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Keeping you informed about Team Quinta news.

Friday 18th October 2024

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#### Welcome

We've had another few action-packed weeks here at The Quinta Primary School, filled with enriching learning experiences and exciting events. I'd like to take a moment to share some of the highlights with you.

Recently, Tempest Photography visited the school, and it was a delight to see all of our children looking so smart in their uniforms. If you haven't yet ordered your child's photographs, there's still time! You can find more information on page 4.

Our Year 6 students did a fantastic job supporting their chosen charity by dressing in yellow and selling cakes in recognition of World Mental Health Day.

We've now completed all of our Open Day Tours, and it was wonderful to meet so many new families eager to become part of our fantastic school community. It's important that the message is shared that anyone looking to start in the September reception 2025 cohort will have to be registered for a minimum of 2 days in our preschool by January 2025, please register on our <u>school website</u>.

A huge thank you goes to our Friends of Quinta PTA, who recently hosted a very successful coffee morning. It was a lovely opportunity to welcome some new members, and we're excited to see the new and exciting initiatives they have planned for the year ahead. If you haven't seen it yet, we featured in this week's Congleton Chronicle—a moment of well-deserved recognition for our school!



Mr Sharpe, Head Teacher

In sporting news, we've had a fantastic start to our Netball league, with three games and three wins. The children have shown incredible teamwork, enthusiasm, and commitment. We are also very grateful to Congleton Eats for sponsoring our new kits, which the team proudly wore during their matches – if you are interested in sponsoring a school team please let the school admin team know.

A special congratulations also goes to our amazing Year 3 and Year 4 cross country team, who competed at Eaton Bank High School. We saw some outstanding individual performances and an excellent overall team effort.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Wishing you all a relaxing and enjoyable weekend.

Warm regards, 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:

When: 21st and 22nd October

**Item:** Harvest Collection

What you need to know:

Children are requested to bring in food and drink items for the New Life Food Bank. Further information on what you can donate can be seen on page 7.

When: 22nd October

Item: Halloween Lunch

What you need to know:

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.

Dessert - Super spooky Halloween cupcakes. A variety of fruit.

When: 23rd October

**Item:** Y4 level 1 Bikeability

What you need to know:

Bring their bike and helmet, they can also wear their PE kit and

trainers.

Bikes can be brought around to the classroom in the morning. All of the bikeability sessions will take part in the school day.

When: 25th October

Item: Whole school Diwali

experience morning

What you need to know:

We learn about why and how Hindus celebrate Diwali and the story behind it. If anything is needed from the children this will be communicated via SeeSaw.

Next Friends of Quinta Event -Tonight! 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.



#### We are a Nut Free School

As you may be aware, we are a nut free school due to the presence of students with severe nut allergies.

Please can we ask that no foods containing nuts (including peanuts, tree nuts, nut butters, or products processed with nuts) be brought to school.

This policy helps ensure a safe environment for all students. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



# TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHY PHOTOGRAPHY PROTOGRAPHY

# Have you ordered your school photos yet?

A polite reminder that the closing date for free delivery back to school is Wednesday 23rd October 2024. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit <a href="www.tempest-orders.co.uk">www.tempest-orders.co.uk</a>.

If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).

# A moment of fame for The Quinta

Our Friends of Quinta PTA Colour Run event made it into the Congleton Chronicle on Friday 11th October. This is just a showcase of what an extraordinary event it was and we can't thank everyone who was involved enough.





#### OCT/NOV TIMETABLE

Talks are delivered online via zoom 7pm to 9pm £24 each **Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk** 

FREE SESSIONS Introduction to Facing Defiance Decreasing Depression	24 OCT 25 NOV
Anxiety Explained	17 OCT
Understanding Anger	21 OCT
Autism: Improving Communication	28 OCT
Introduction to OCD	29 OCT
Improving Family Communication	4 NOV
Anxiety-Based School Avoidance	12 NOV
Anxiety Explained	14 NOV
Understanding Anger	18 NOV
Drug Awareness for Parents	19 NOV
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	21 NOV
What is ACT?	26 NOV
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	28 NOV
Understanding the Teenage Brain	2 DEC

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#### Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) North Local Offer Marketplace



For all parents/carers with children aged 0-25 who would like to find out more about our SEND Local Offer and how we can support you and your child. Drop in and meet with multiple agencies all in one place!



Oakenclough Family Hub Colshaw Drive, Wilmslow SK9 2PZ

# Thursday 5th December 4pm-6pm Education Psychologist Cheshire and Merseyside ICB 0-19 SEND Health Visitor Cheshire East Autism Team (CEAT) Cheshire East SEND Team Cheshire East SEND Trams Cheshire East SEND Trams Cheshire East SEND Tramsition Team



# Please pack all items in your child's bag



A number of items are being delivered each day after school drop off. This causes constant disruption to the childrens' lessons. Please ensure that you pack all items prior to bringing your child to school as items will only be distributed at lunchtime.

# 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?

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#### 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 OCTOVER

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.





#### Flu Vaccine

# Flu Nasal Spray in School

Quinta session date is Monday 11th November 2024.

The children's nasal spray flu vaccine is safe and effective. It's offered every year during the flu season to children to help protect them against **flu**.

Flu can be an unpleasant illness and can cause serious complications. Children can catch and spread flu easily. Vaccinating your child also protects vulnerable family members and friends.

The vaccination is free and is a quick, simple, and painless spray up the nose. Even if your child had the vaccine last year, types of flu can vary, so it is recommended to have it annually to maximise protection. Since the flu vaccine programme was introduced, most children offered the vaccine in schools have received the flu nasal spray annually.

For more information about the nasal spray flu vaccine please read the online leaflet:

Protecting your child against flu. This leaflet includes information about the small number of children for whom the nasal spray vaccine is not appropriate for. Further information can also be found on the NHS website.

The School Aged Immunisations Team will only vaccinate children with a valid e-consent form. If you DO NOT fill the e-consent form in your child will not be able to have the vaccination in school. To consent to your child having the nasal spray flu vaccine please complete the E-consent form via the link below, using the code for your child's school.



#### The code for our school is WC140501

www.wchcimms.co.uk/Forms/Flu

Please note access to the online form will close on Monday 4th November at 9am. You will be unable to complete the e-consent for after this.

If your child becomes wheezy, has a bad attack of asthma, or has started oral steroids for their asthma after you complete the E-consent form, please contact the team on: <a href="mailto:wcnt.immunisation@nhs.net">wcnt.immunisation@nhs.net</a>

#### 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 Section444 (1a) can include a fine of up to £2500.





#### School Meal Menus







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#### 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 <u>Scopay Account</u> by clicking the icon above.





#### 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 bolognaise or plant-based bolognaise, garlic bread, sweetcorn and carrot mix. Chocolate brownie.

Vegan options are available

#### 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



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

#### Cold Selection





Tuna









Cucumber

Tomatoes

Hot Selection



Hot pasta with tomato and mascarpone sauce



# Important Dates And Events

#### October

- 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!





#### 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





# Local Events and Opportunities

# Rambert Glacies



### CREATIVE DANCE WITH SOPHIE

Creative Dance for Early Years is an innovative dance syllabus, created by Rambert Grades. Each dance class will take the children on an imaginative journey with endless themes. An energetic warm up is followed by physical skills development as the children learn structured movement material. Creative intuition is encouraged with a closing creative exploration to dive deep into their imagination. Swimming with whales, flying rockets to the moon or adventuring through the desert- every class is different.

Each session will explore movement in a new way and help to develop physical skills, harness musicality and empower confidence in young children.

WHERE? The Quinta Primary School.

WHEN? 5th Nov - 10th Dec 2024, 15:20-16:15 every TUESDAY.

WHO? The club is open to reception and years 1 & 2.

HOW MUCH? The six-week course is £30 per student (£5 per class). This payment will be made in full, upfront, for the duration of the full course. (In the circumstance of an absence, no refunds will be made) SPACES ARE LIMITED!

Each child will have the opportunity to work towards taking a Rambert Grades Creative Movers exam, which are a celebration of each student's progress at the end of each grade. Each child is rewarded with a bright fabric badge and a certificate (The next set of examinations will take place in the new year). Children who move through the grades are commended on six qualities: Communication, Teamwork, Generosity, Effort, Listening and Enthusiasm.



To secure your place and process your payment, or for further information, please email sophiemoores37@gmail.com.



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