



Newsletter

Keeping you informed about Team Quinta news.
Friday 22th November 2024

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Welcome

Where do I start? These past two weeks have been incredible. Our children have not only excelled academically but have also shone in their extracurricular activities.

Our Head Boy and Girl, along with some younger students, enjoyed planting winter planters for Congleton in Bloom, supporting our local community. I was also proud to see some of our children, including flag bearers, in the Remembrance Day parade on November 10th. Plus, all students, from Pre-school to Year 6, took part in a historical morning to reflect on the significance of the poppy and Remembrance Day—Lest We Forget.

In sport, our Year 5/6 football team reached the top eight in the Crewe Kids Cup finals, and our girls' football team brought home five wins from the Congleton League—well done to all! Our basketball team showed great enthusiasm and resilience at CHS, truly embodying Team Quinta spirit. Our Year 3/4 girls' football team had a fantastic debut with a strong win, setting the stage for a bright future.

In-house, Year 3 had a fantastic day with Clonter Opera, enjoying "Puck's Adventure," learning songs, and designing Shakespearean sets. They worked hard and had a great time—thank you to Clonter for a memorable experience. Another memorable moment was Odd Socks Day the children had fun proudly wearing mismatched socks to raise awareness for anti-bullying and embracing individuality.

Finally, our Art Club has wowed us with their impressive line landscapes and stunning owl pieces created with chalk and charcoal. They are truly a talented group!

Well done, everyone—keep up the amazing work!

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:

When: 29th November

Item: FOQ Elfridges Santa Shop (9am - 12noon)

What you need to know:

All you need to do is send your child in to school with an envelope including the following to enable them to purchase gifts for loved ones:

- Inside the envelope - please include your child's spending money. All stock is priced at £3 or under.
- On the outside of the envelope - detail their name and class, who they wish to buy for and how much is enclosed. **See page 3**

When: 29th November

Item: Quidditch KS2 Bee Active

What you need to know:

All children will learn to play Quidditch in our exciting activity provided by Bee Active. All children will need to come to school in their PE kits from Years 3 - 6.

When: 29th November

Item: Non-Uniform Day

What you need to know:

Children are invited to come into school in non-uniform in exchange for a tombola prize. All items need to be in date and unopened. **See page 4.**

When: 29th November

Item: Wreath Making Workshop
6pm until 8pm

What you need to know:

Enjoy a festive evening with friends and family.

Roll up your sleeves and create a Christmassy masterpiece, for further information please **see page 7.** to book email friendsofquintapta@outlook.com.

Friends of Quinta have got Christmas all wrapped up

Elfridges will be open in school on Friday 29th November providing your children with the ideal opportunity to purchase Christmas gifts for loved ones. This was a really popular event last year and we have some cracking gifts on offer. All you need to do is send your child in to school with an envelope including the following:

- Inside the envelope - please include your child's spending money. All stock is priced at £3 or under.
- On the outside of the envelope - detail their name and class, who they wish to buy for and how much is enclosed.

ELFRIDGES SECRET SHOP



**29TH
NOVEMBER
IN SCHOOL**

LET YOUR CHILDREN SHOP FOR FAMILY MEMBERS IN SCHOOL

Please send an envelope with name class, and who they need to purchase for, and the elves will do the rest! All items £3 and under.

QUINTA WONDERLAND

JOIN US FOR OUR QUINTA
WONDERLAND, MEET SANTA,
LOCAL STALLHOLDERS, FOOD AND
DRINKS AND PLENTY MORE

DECEMBER 6TH • 3:30 PM

STALLS AVAILABLE £10 PLEASE MESSAGE THE
FRIENDS OF QUINTA FB PG FOR DETAILS

New to the Christmas Fair this year we have PTA's Christmas Craft room, where you can design a Christmas mug, make decorations, Christmas magnets and much more; this will be found in the classrooms and in the hall corridor.

The Quinta children will be holding their fantastic stalls, plus the usual classics: the tombola, lucky dip, name the elf and much more!

We also have loads of outside stalls planned including: The Edge Gin, Emily's Cakes, Wren's world laser gifts, Christmas Corner by Belle with some lovely Christmas gifts, handmade cards and other gift stalls from Denis Vyse and Sally Anne House.

Plus, food will be served by Reubens and warm drinks will be served Really Awesome Coffee, or mulled wine from the lovely office ladies.



Friends of Quinta need parents and friends to help run the Quinta Wonderland. If you can lend a hand please email - friendsofquintapta@outlook.com



Non-Uniform Day

QUINTA NON UNIFORM

Sweater Weather Together!

NON UNIFORM DAY
FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER.

IN EXCHANGE FOR TOMBOLA DONATIONS, BRING
A BOTTLE, CHOCOLATES, SMELLIES...OR
ANYTHING ELSE THAT WOULD BE A NICE GIFT.

DIG OUT YOUR CHRISTMAS
JUMPERS OR FAVOURITE OUTFITS!

*Thank you for your continued
support FOQ*

The Quinta children out in the Congleton Community

We were immensely proud to see a number of our children getting involved in the local community.

Our Head Girl Abraham, and Head Boy Henry Proctor, along with Kyra-Lyn Parrish and Kaliyah rolled up their sleeves and took part in the Congleton in Bloom plant up.

Scarlett and Ronnie Marriot along with many other Quinta children took part in the Remembrance Day parade through town on 10th November.



Thank you to all of you that supported Odd Socks Day

We had a fantastic day supporting Odd Socks Day as part of Anti-Bullying Week! The school was bursting with colour as children proudly wore their mismatched socks, celebrating individuality and spreading the message that it's okay to be different.

It was moving to see everyone embrace the day with such enthusiasm, starting meaningful conversations about kindness, respect, and standing up to bullying. The laughter and smiles throughout the day reminded us of the importance of accepting and celebrating our unique qualities. It truly was a joyful and inspiring experience for everyone involved!



With the support of **ANTI-BULLYING ALLIANCE**

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

ODD SOCKS DAY on **TUESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2024**

Odd Socks Day 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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CHOOSE RESPECT

ANTI-BULLYING ALLIANCE

ODD SOCKS DAY



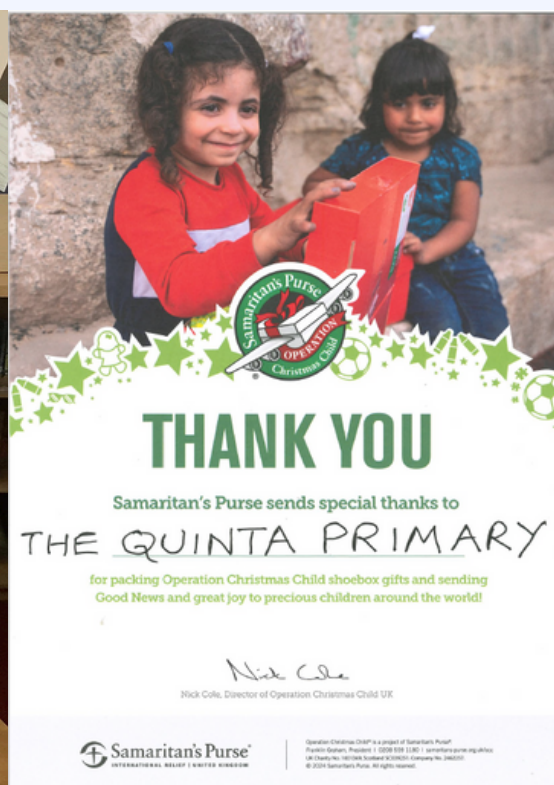
The Quinta Primary School in conjunction with the New Life Church

This year, our school/community came together to support Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child, and we are overwhelmed with gratitude for the generosity of our parents and families as were the New Life Church.

Thanks to your kindness, we were able to collect an incredible number of shoeboxes filled with gifts, essential items, and heartfelt notes for children in need around the world. Each shoebox is more than just a box of items—it's a message of love, hope, and care for a child who may never have received a gift before.

Your efforts will make a lasting impact on these children's lives, showing them that they are valued and remembered. Whether you contributed gifts, time, or resources, your role in this initiative has helped bring joy and the spirit of the season to those less fortunate.

From all of us here at The Quinta Primary School and New Life Church, thank you 😊





Our Next Friends of Quinta Event

BOOK NOW



Fancy a Christmas night out with friends?

Join us on Friday 29th November from 6pm until 8pm for our annual Christmas Wreath Making Workshop in conjunction with the Friends of Quinta PTA and the wreath making experts Broadleaf Forest Adventures CIC.

This is an adults' only event and a chance for you to have some festive fun with friends. So, roll up your sleeves and set your creative side free making your very own Christmas Wreath while enjoying a warm drink and a mince pie. Festive cheer will be aplenty, along with the professional wreath crafting advice from Kirstie and Shereen from Broadleaf Forest Adventures, and most importantly you'll get a fantastic kit containing the following:

- 1 X 12 inch copper wreath ring
- 1 X wreath binding wire reel
- 10 X mossing pins and stub wire.
- 1 X bunch of FRESH foliage, (conifer, holly, ivy spruce and other mixed festive foliage)
- 1 X bag of living moss
- 1 X hessian bow

A mixed selection of pine cones, dried cinnamon sticks and dried fruit slices. Please note, the lovely ladies at Broadleaf Forest Adventures do ask that you bring a set of kitchen scissors or secateurs so you can really get stuck in.

Tickets for this event are priced at just £35 and they usually go quick. To secure your place please email friendsofquintapta@outlook.com



JOIN US FOR OUR
**CHRISTMAS
WREATH MAKING
WORKSHOP**
WITH
Broadleaf Forest Adventures
&
Friends of Quinta

6-8PM, FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

Enjoy a festive adults only evening with friends and family. Roll up your sleeves and create a Christmassy masterpiece including: a 12 Inch copper wreath ring, plentiful wire and pins, fresh foliage, living moss, a selection of pine cones, dried cinnamon sticks and dried fruit slices, and a hessian bow. Advice will be a plenty from our wreath making experts; plus, we're providing a warm drink and a mince pie to get you in the festive mood.

£35 per person. To book email - friendsofquintapta@outlook.com

Irresponsible Parking

Irresponsible parking and driving by some members of our school community is a serious problem. Whilst the duty to patrol outside of the school lies firmly with the police and local authority, it is everyone's responsibility to ensure that we do everything possible to keep our children safe.

Parents have raised with the school on a number of occasions, incidents where children and adults have been put at risk due to careless, negligent and often illegal driving and parking practices. I urge you to log and inform the non emergency police (101), as well as Cheshire East Highways using the following reference number 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



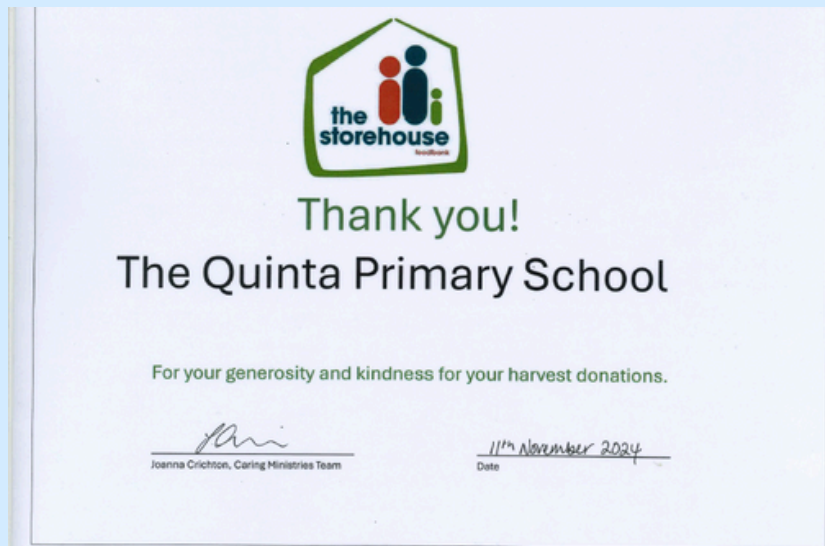
Use the One Way System

Please can we ask that you use the one way system when collecting and dropping off children. Do not use the exit gate for drop-off or pick-up.



Special thanks from New Life Storehouse

"On behalf of New Life Church, we sincerely thank you for your generous harvest donations to the Storehouse Food Bank, which will help provide essential support to those in need within our community."



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 run 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.



Would your child like to be part of Astbury Church's Nativity?

Astbury Church need our help to fill the roles of Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus in their walking nativity around the village starting at Glebe farm and finishing in church with mince pies and mulled wine. These are non-speaking parts and it's just a matter of being in the crib scene in church.

The dates are December 16th and 17th starting at 6pm for 6.30.

If anybody can help and would like to know more please email the church's admin support John on john1007@talktalk.net or call on 07860689028



Will you struggle this Christmas?

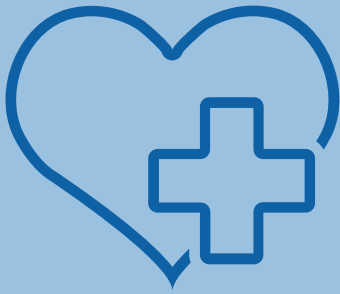
If you are struggling in the run-up to Christmas and you would like help in bringing a little happiness to your child in the form of a gift please contact smassey@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk

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

Rotary
Congleton



The latest Congleton Rotary Newsletter.
[Rotary-Congleton November News](#)



Flu Vaccine

Flu Nasal Spray Catch-up Clinics

If your child missed their vaccination when the School Aged Immunisation team visited school and you would still like your child to have their vaccination at a community clinic, please complete the attached [booking form](#).

Furthermore, if you missed the deadline to fill in a consent form before the School Aged Immunisation Team visited school and you would still like your child to have their nasal flu vaccination, please complete the attached [e-consent form](#).



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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School Meal Menus

ORDER NOW



CHILDREN'S
Christmas
LUNCH

MAIN

Traditional turkey and seasonal stuffing. Rudolph's roast potatoes. Santa's sprouts, Christmas carrots, Prancer's peas and gravy.

DESSERT

Christmas tree ice cream.

DRINK

Jolly juice.

FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER
Please order via Scopay

Vegetarian, vegan and gluten free 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.



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.

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.

Vegan options are available

AVAILABLE EVERY DAY

Fresh fruit Sandwiches

Jacket potatoes Build your own pasta

Water and milk served Monday - Thursday

Water, milk and juice served on a Friday



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



Fundraising for School

There are so many ways that you can help support your school, lots that don't even cost you a penny it's just simply the knowledge of how to do it and sign up. Take a look at the below, with just a few moments of your time you could make a massive difference to the school fundraising.



The Quinta Primary School Lottery has been set up specifically to raise money and make a difference for our children!

The School Lottery is an exciting weekly lottery that raises money for schools in the UK. All schools supported by the lottery will benefit the UK and its residents. Tickets for the lottery cost just £1 per week, with a top prize of £25,000!

Each ticket will consist of 6 numbers and each number will be between 0 and 9. There will be a draw every Saturday night when a 6 digit winning combination will be picked. Match all 6 and you win the JACKPOT!

There is also a guaranteed winner for each school every Saturday which is drawn on a raffle basis, so there are two chances to win a prize.

The lottery and its prizes are our way of putting the fun in fundraising. The real winners are the schools. From every £1 ticket sold 40p will go to schools in the UK! To put this in perspective when you play the National Lottery 25% goes to good causes – we've nearly DOUBLED the ticket percentage that goes to schools.

Even better, you can choose which school benefits from 40p of the ticket sales. You know (and you can see) that your money is going back into your community and your school will benefit from your contribution.

Click here to take part - <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/the-quinta-primary-school>



Fundraising for School



You spend, brands donate.

Sign up to easyfundraising and see your favourite brands donate to the cause you care about whenever you shop with them. All you need to do is nominate a PTA to get cashback when you shop at hundreds of retailers including Amazon, Marks and Spencer, Argos plus insurance

companies and travel companies are included. We have raised over £1200 to date from our supporters this way – have a look, sign-up is easy - Your paragraph text



Support our Local Community Fund through the Co-op!

Members of the Co-op can select Friends of Quinta as their cause of choice, helping us make a difference together.

Joining the Co-op is easy— membership costs just £1, which you get back with your first shop. With a Co-op right here in Congleton, many of you may already be members!

To learn more and select our cause, visit: Friends of Quinta Cause.

Raise Money while you shop

Support school while shopping at Asda. all you need to do is simple download and sign into the app. Opt into the Cashpot for Schools campaign and select The Quinta Primary School. Shop in store across Asda, George or Asda.com. Then Asda will donate a percentage of your shop to us each time that you shop and scan. This money will be gifted by Asda to us and will not cost you a penny.

ASDA in Groceries Search for... Help Find a store Register Sign in

Groceries | George | Cashpot for Schools | Gift Cards | Asda Rewards | More

you scan, we donate £££ TO SCHOOLS.

Asda Rewards Cashpot for Schools

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- 1** Download and sign up to the Asda Rewards app
Opt into the Cashpot for Schools campaign and select a specific primary school or select 'Schools in Need'.
- 2** Shop in store across Asda and George, or online at Asda.com
Asda will donate a percentage of your shop to your chosen school each time you shop and scan.
- 3** Asda does the rest
The money raised will be donated through Parentkind to schools to spend on what they need most. This won't affect your own Cashpot earn.

Once opted in and selected a school, we will add £1 to your chosen schools Cashpot to help get them started.
Each school will get an additional £50 added to their Cashpot, after at least one customer has shopped and scanned their Rewards app.

Download on the App Store GET IT ON Google Play



Important Dates And Events

November

- 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**



Local Events and Opportunities

BOOK NOW



A new opportunity for budding footballers, held at Quinta on Sunday mornings don't miss out! Email the following contact for further information - andyjonesctfc@gmail.com

CONGLETON TOWN FC
1901

KODIAK KICKERS

FOOTBALL FUN

FOR ANYONE LOOKING TO START THEIR FOOTBALLING JOURNEY WITH THE BEARS

Contact - andyjonesctjfc@gmail.com

SCHOOL YEARS 2 - 6
Quinta Primary School
Sundays 10am - 11am
£4 per session



Local Events and Opportunities

BOOK NOW



BALLET AND CREATIVE DANCE CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP



Rambert
grades

Rambert
grades

During my Ballet Creative Dance Christmas workshop, the children will enhance their imaginative skills as we fly through the sky in Santa's sleigh, throw snowballs and drink hot chocolate by the fire; every second is a new adventure!

DANCE, ARTS AND CRAFTS, MOVEMENT GAMES AND CREATIVE TASKS

The workshop will introduce the dancers to the foundation of Ballet and Contemporary dance technique through the use of movement games and imaginative tasks. Moreover, the young dancer will delve into some fun arts and crafts and experience some choreographic work in groups; testing their teamwork skills.

WHERE? The Quinta Primary School.

WHEN? Sunday 15th December, 10am-12pm.

WHO? Reception, years 1 and 2.

HOW MUCH? The cost of the workshop is £15.00 per child (In the circumstance of absence, no refunds will be made) **SPACES ARE LIMITED!**

To secure your place for the workshop and process your payment, please email Sophie Moores sophiemoores37@gmail.com





Local Events and Opportunities

BOOK NOW



CONGLETON GANGSHOW

Performances:

Saturday 30th November,

Tuesday 3rd December

to

Saturday 7th December

Evening Performances curtain at 7:15pm, Matinee (7th Dec only) curtain at 2:15pm

Daneside Theatre, Congleton



Ticket enquiries:

tickets@congletongangshow.co.uk



Tickets also available online from:

www.ticketsource.co.uk/daneside-theatre-trust-ltd (booking fee applies)

www.congletongangshow.co.uk



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](#)



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.

