



QM Newsletter



'Strive, Believe, Achieve'

Friday 12th February 2016



We are delighted that our application to be part of the RHS **Rocket Science** project has been successful! We will be receiving two packs of rocket seeds during the Easter holiday, one pack of which is currently with Tim Peake on the International Space Station! These seeds will be brought back to Earth by American astronaut Scott Kelly next month. In the interests of a fair test we will grow both sets of seeds under the same conditions and we will not know which seeds have been in space. We will then input our data, along with other schools involved in the project, into a national database that will contribute to our knowledge of growing food in space.

Watch this '*space*' for regular updates or follow the project on Twitter @RHSSchools #RocketScience

Dates for your diary	
Event	Date & Time
Half term	Mon 15 th – Fri 19 th February
Return to school	Monday 22 nd Feb
World Book Day	Thursday 3 rd March
Nursery Mother's Day assembly	Friday 4 th March
QM Mathemagician	Wednesday 23 rd March
School closed for INSET	Thursday 24 th March
Easter holidays – school closed	Friday 25 th March – Friday 8 th April
Return to school for Summer 1	Monday 11 th April

Weekly attendance figures:

Reception	99.2
Class 1	86.7
Year 1	98.0
Year 2	96.7
Year 3	99.3
Year 4	94.3
Class 2	100.0
Year 5	99.4
Year 6	98.7
Whole school	97.6 An improvement on last week— keep it up QM!

'Be in on time at 5 to 9'
Punctuality Cup:
Reception



On Tuesday all the children at Queen's Manor participated in Safer Internet Day. The theme this year was all about the idea of celebrating and responding to differences online and the Digital Leaders started the day by leading an assembly to remind us how we can stay safe online. After this all classes completed a Safer Internet Day activity, which involved working together to identify appropriate ways to keep ourselves and others safe online.

Value of the week – Resilience

This week sees the beginning of Lent in the Christian calendar, a time when Christians traditionally give something up for a period of 40 days. Resilience gives us the inner strength to persevere, particularly when we find something difficult or challenging.

Star of the week

Reception	Kyan
Year 1	Naiara
Year 2	Ciara
Year 3	Dylan W
Year 4	Jimena
Year 5	Adisa
Year 6	Inas
Class 1	Hugo
Class 2	Sara
B' Club	Adam
Q'Club	Nicole



Talk homework

How easy would it be to give up your favourite treat for 40 days? Do you think you could do it? What would help you to succeed?



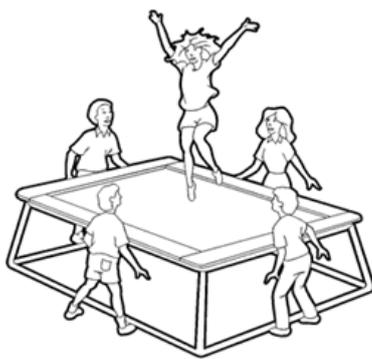
Year 3 are learning all about the skeletal system in science at the moment and on Tuesday they went to the Natural History Museum to have a look at all sorts of different skeletons, large and small! Ridwan reports that during the workshop on teeth they found out what all the different teeth do, "Carnivorous dinosaurs had more canines, to rip their food. The herbivores had more molars to grind their food with." It sounds like they had a brilliant day!

Planes, Trains and Automobiles!



Following on from their hugely successful trip to the London Transport Museum last week, Class 1 have continued to experience transport first-hand this week.

Today they have been on a bus trip around the local area. We are always keen for the children to have this kind of experiential learning, or learning from 'doing' and we feel sure that Class 1 are now experts on the different modes of transport we use in our daily lives!



Boing! Boing!

Year 2 had their final trampolining session at Fulham College Boys' School last Friday and Ciara-Louise and Harrison spoke enthusiastically about the whole experience, reporting "We learned 'tuck', 'pike' and star jumps, as well as 'seat' landing."

We hope that FCBS offer this programme again in the future, as it was clearly an enjoyable experience for all and the children obviously learned some great new skills.



One Man and his Guide Dog

On Monday we had a special visitor to our Key Stage 1 classes. Mr Coates came to speak to us about what it is like to live without the sense of sight and he brought with him his guide dog, Otto. Alice Cocco in Year 1 found the visit very interesting and learned a lot: "You should never stroke a guide dog without asking the owner. A guide dog brings you to the right place if you can't see. If you are blind and you need to go to the bus stop you tell the dog and it takes you there."



Do you have any board games that you no longer use? If they are in good condition we would love to have them, to add to our wet play activities. Queen's Club are also looking for donations of Wii games. Please see Jaz, Lee or Carol for details.



Football Focus

Congratulations to the Mayor's Cup squad for their efforts in last week's match against Sullivan Primary. The girls won 1-0 and Adisa highlighted the QM sportsmanship, "They played well and we congratulated them at the end." Amin reported that the boys drew 1-1, with Alex scoring the QM goal in the final 10 seconds of the match! "We weren't put off by their goal and we played well until the very end." A great sporting attitude from our squad, well done.



Happy Valentines and Happy Half term—
have a good rest.