



QM Newsletter

'Strive, Believe, Achieve'



Friday 16th October 2015

*Dates for your diary	
Event	Date & Time
Parent and Teacher Learning Reviews – our new name for parent teacher meetings.	Monday 19 th and Tuesday 20 th October 3pm – 6pm
QM's Got talent	Friday 23 rd October 9.15am – middle hall
QM International Day	Friday 27 th November
Christmas / winter performance	Wednesday 16 th December
School finishes for Christmas break.	Friday 18 th December



Sustainable travel 2015 – well done!

Well done to the children at QM who participated in the Big Pedal in the summer term. The results are in from all the schools and I am delighted to inform you that:

- QM was the best engaged school in LBHF
- QM completed 1066 journeys as part of the big pedal
- Year 2 was the best class in the school (current year 3)



FoQM will be selling pumpkins after school in the playground on Monday 19th for carving. Finished

carvings are to be brought into school on or before **Thursday 22nd October at 8.45am for judging**. There will be prizes for the best carvings in each Key stage.

FoQM will be selling hot dogs (not pork), with a veggie option, on Thursday 5th November after school in the playground to celebrate Bonfire Night.



Weekly attendance figures:

Reception	92.4
Class 1	100.0
Year 1	100.0
Year 2	98.3
Year 3	95.6
Year 4	97.9
Class 2	97.0
Year 5	98.3
Year 6	94.6
Whole school	96.9

'Be in on time at 5 to 9'
Punctuality Cup Class 2.



Star of the week

Reception	Shakila
Year 1	Amy
Year 2	Jakub
Year 3	Rafael
Year 4	Tasharn
Year 5	Amin
Year 6	Kamari
Class 1	Omar
Class 2	Christina
B' Club	Sariah (Y4)
Q'Club	Nicole (Y6)

Value of the week: Being positive

During assembly this week we focussed on having a positive outlook. We thought about 'looking on the bright side' and not letting negative people get us down; instead attempt to turn their negativity around. Being positive supports children's resilience and resourcefulness so turn that frown upside down!



'Get Out there!'

On Thursday 15th October, we hosted a corporate volunteering day organised by Hammersmith Community Gardens Association. Volunteers gathered in the garden on Thursday



morning and were tasked with revamping the school gardens. By lunchtime they were up to their ears in pondweed, branches were being lopped, trees were planted, compost, courtesy of the chickens, was spread on the vegetable beds, a bug hotel was built, a hedgehog home was constructed and a teeny tiny fairy house was unearthed! We hope that in finding the miniature hidden home the fairies won't be frightened away! Very special thanks to Alex's mum (Y2) Francis and granny Brenda for getting stuck in and hosting our visitors with lashings of tea and cake. Thanks also to Elaine, Vic and the FoQM team for supporting the day. Extra special thanks to Natalie (y4) who baked them the most delicious fruit cake – thankfully there were a couple of pieces left at the end for Mrs Harrison and Miss du Parcq to enjoy whilst they took in all the hard work.



Class 1 trip to Battersea Children's Zoo

Following on from their trip to Vauxhall Farm a couple of weeks ago, Class 1 were eager to visit Battersea zoo on Thursday. The trip

was a focus activity linked to their topic about animals and they had a smashing time. Hugo said "I saw a pig and it was making oink noises when it was eating".

QM's Got Talent

Vicky and Miss du Parc have had a super week watching the QM's Got Talent auditions where they enjoyed dances, recitals, comedy and singing. Children have found out today if their audition has made it through to the final and have the next few days to practise their performance. Miss du Parc noted that she feels she has seen some of the best auditions in the history of the competition so we are eagerly awaiting the actual competition next week. Parents are welcome to attend QMs Got Talent on Friday 23rd October at 9.15am in the middle hall.

Thames Valley Harriers

Our Year 5 and Year 6 cross country running teams went Wormwood Scrubs playing fields on Wednesday 13th October to participate in a competition run by the Thames Valley Harriers. All our teams did well especially as it was the first time we had put them forward to participate however we are very pleased to inform you that our Year 5 boys' team were placed third, and were presented with bronze medals. We re-presented the medals during assembly today and the boys were super proud of themselves. They commented that their strategy was to start slow and then speed up to ensure they could run the distance (800m). They also noted that it took self belief and a positive attitude to achieve their placing. Well done to Kiaus, Alex, Kareem and Amin.



Yr 6 assembly

We experienced a fabulous start to our season of class assemblies with Year 6 performing a piece about the Victorians. During their assembly Year 6 took us back in time (in a time machine!) to Queen's Manor in the 19th century. The teacher was very strict and threatened the children with a physical punishment if they were deemed 'naughty'. We heard that children went to school for only a very short time before going out to work; we also heard about street children who took very menial jobs to earn themselves a few pennies. To finish they performed a rousing song to the tune of 'food glorious food' reworded to express the working conditions of Victorian children. Thank you and very well done Year 6.



Digital leaders lead QM staff meeting

Our digital leaders, together with Mr Gingell, led a staff meeting on Tuesday evening to demonstrate how to use our new coding resource 'Lego wedo'. The digital leaders' objective was to show the staff the equipment and then guide them through a process of learning to use the wedo themselves. The digital leaders had to be patient but very soon the staff embraced the equipment and became fully engaged with problem solving challenges. Our thanks to the digital leaders and also



FoQM who invested in the resources to support coding at QM.

Michael with Miss Wise, Sam and Miss Parker.



Joshua and Christopher with Mrs Alexander and Miss Simpson.