



QM Newsletter

'Strive, Believe, Achieve'



Friday 25th September 2015

*Dates for your diary	
Event	Date & Time
Harvest assembly	Friday 9 th October 9.10am middle hall
Parent and Teacher Learning Reviews – <i>our new name for parent teacher meetings.</i>	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



Star of the week.

Reception	Evelyn
Year 1	Nathan
Year 2	Macsen
Year 3	Rosie
Year 4	Himeko
Year 5	Joshua
Year 6	Kelly
Class 2	Liban
B' Club	Kayden
Q'Club	Angel

*Dates for your diary (AUT / SPR) Celebration class assembly Middle hall at 9.10am	
Year group	Date & Time
Year 6	Friday 16 th October
Year 5	Friday 6 th November
Year 4	Friday 20 th November
Year 3	Friday 4 th December
Year 2	Friday 11 th December
Year 1	Friday 22 nd January
Reception	Friday 5 th February
Nursery	Friday 4 th March



Year 1	Lacie and Alfi
Year 2	Tasnim and Harrison
Year 3	Colleen and Ben
Year 4	Himeko and Adam
Year 5	Adisa and Kareem
Year 6	William and Charlotte
Class 2	Rhianna and Liban

School Council Anti-bullying Assembly.



During whole school assembly this morning, our new School Council presented information about bullying and encouraged children that if they thought that they were being bullied they needed to 'speak up' and tell an adult. They set the children an activity to; during PSHE next week children need to think of a method to communicate information to children about bullying for example a poster or a rap.



Home school reading books

As you know we are sending home new zip wallets to protect home school reading books. If you come across a book that you feel is not in good condition, please make your class teacher aware so that we can exchange it.



Attendance %	
Reception	96.4
Class 1	96.0
Year 1	95.3
Year 2	97.0
Year 3	97.0
Year 4	94.8
Class 2	92.0
Year 5	96.1
Year 6	95.4
Whole school	96.5

'Be on time at 5 to 9' Punctuality Cup – Year 1.

FOQM nearly new uniform sale

After school in the playground - Friday 2nd October

Come along to pick up nearly new uniform at rock bottom prices. Please remember to label them once you get them home!

Value of the week:

Responsibility

During assembly this week we thought about the responsibilities that we all share, for example looking after our things, being in school everyday on time, looking after friends and family, looking after pets, being organised, caring for others, caring for our environment and improving our learning. We also thought about specific responsibilities that some people have for example police officers are responsible for keeping our communities safe, medical practitioners are responsible for saving lives and keeping us healthy and the Government is responsible for making decisions.



Talk Homework - What else are you responsible for?



Road safety competition – the deadline for entries is Monday 28th September so you'll need to get busy!!

Children have the opportunity to submit an entry for a Bi-Borough road safety calendar. In the past, two children from QM have had winning entries in the calendars and their designs have featured in the road safety calendar. Calendars are sent out to all schools and public offices and the winners get a copy too. So if you are feeling arty this weekend then get your thinking cap on and design an image that supports road safety. You may want to draw yourself staying safe when crossing a road, a poster to ask drivers to slow down, not parking on school 'keep clear' markings, active travel to school – safe cycling or scooting, school travel in the future, sustainable travel (public transport) or your ideal journey to school. Please give your designs to Miss Nolan in Class one on Monday 28th September. **Good luck.**



TRAID clothing Bin

A reminder for our existing parents and a note of interest for new parents, we have a TRaid charity clothing bin in the car park. You are welcome to donate your unwanted good quality clothes and shoes during school opening hours. Please make sure that clothes are in bags and that shoes are paired together with string or elastic. The school gets a small contribution for collecting items.

Tubs4tablets

Reminder – please bring in your Flora vouchers to enable the school to apply for digital tablets. We have a collection box in the entrance. Thank you in anticipation.



Are you having a sort out this weekend?

Donations of Lego would be very gratefully received by Reception Class.

Chick, chick, chick, chick, chicken!

The Friends of Queen's Manor informed us that some of our new friends may not know that we look after hens at QM.



We have 6 hens, all very good at laying eggs and we use the eggs for breakfast club, for cooking club and we also sell them via the school office. So if you wish, you can buy a ½ dozen free range QM eggs for your weekend fry-up! The hens reside handsomely in our school garden and have lots of people to look after them including the children, led by our animal welfare monitor Hannah Ahmed, Mother Hen (aka Sam K), the ladies in the school kitchen who feed them with kitchen leftovers (broccoli stalks, vegetable peelings etc) and lovely volunteers from FoQM. **You are welcome to visit the hens however:**

- **Your children are your responsibility at all times.**
- **Children are not allowed to visit the garden or hens unaccompanied.**
- **Children must behave sensibly at all times to avoid the hens getting upset or damage to the school garden (please do not walk along or over the school vegetable beds).**
- **Do not go through the gate into the conservation area as there is a pond and we do not want children to fall in.**

Swimming, a life saving skill.

Swimming is a statutory element of the National Curriculum. Years 3 and 5 continue to swim throughout the year with the aim that all children can swim at least 25meters by the end of the year. Those children who can already swim 25metres spend sessions refining their strokes and increasing distance whilst children who need a bit more support concentrate on building confidence in the water. It would be terrific that if you don't already, you could take your child swimming regularly to support our aims for the end of the year. **Please make sure that your child brings their swimming kit to school every Wednesday. All swimmers need a QM swimming hat (available at the school office).** Please also speak to the school office if you require the details of a company who manufacture culturally appropriate swimwear.



Sports premium

The school has received funding from the DfE to improve sports and games in school. As such Lee, who is a qualified coach, will be working alongside teaching staff to support teaching and learning in PE. We are also purchasing new resources to improve opportunities. Through having an additional member of staff in sessions we hope that there will be an even greater focus on refining PE skills, increasing the enjoyment of sessions and in turn the fitness levels of children. **All Children must have their PE kits in school throughout the week.**