



# QM Newsletter



'Strive, Believe, Achieve'

Friday 21st April 2017

@QMPrimary

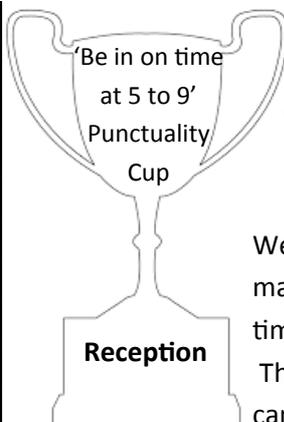
Dates for your diary	
Event	Date & Time
Bank Holiday Monday	Mon 1st May (no school)
Y1 Assembly	Fri 5th May, 9.10—10am
Sports Day	Tues 16th May
INSET Day	Mon 5th June (no school)
Summer Fair	Saturday 17th June

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

You will be aware that there is a UK General Election on Thursday 8th June. It is very likely that the local authority will use the school building as a polling station on this day, which may mean that school is closed. **As soon as this is confirmed we will inform you.**

The INSET day on Monday 5th June is unaffected by this and remains in the diary.

Weekly % attendance	
Reception	98.1
Class 1	92.9
Year 1	91.3
Year 2	92.3
Year 3	94.8
Year 4	99.0
Class 2	94.3
Year 5	98.3
Year 6	100



# WELCOME BACK!!

We hope you all had a lovely Easter break; from the sounds of it, many of you were very busy, enjoying the sunshine and spending time with family. Delightful!

This term is going to be action-packed and full of fun and we cannot wait to get stuck in!

<b>Whole School</b>	95.9% Let's try to break all the QM attendance records this term!
---------------------	---

## EUREKA!

Next Friday is Science Day and Mrs Alexander has got a fantastic day planned for us all! In preparation for the day we would like you to research a scientist of your choice. You can make a fact sheet, a poster, write a biography or even put together a multimedia presentation!

The scientist does not need to be famous or well known, but he or she must have made a significant contribution to the world of science. This could include an invention or a discovery in the field of Chemistry, Biology or Physics. Bring in completed research by next Thursday.



Star of the week	
Reception	Hasan
Year 1	Octavie
Year 2	Alfi
Year 3	Alex
Year 4	Izabel
Year 5	Alvina
Year 6	Omari
Class 2	Hugo
B' Club	Octavie
Q' Club	Alice C



## PURE MAGIC!

On the final day of the Spring Term we held QM's annual Mathemagician competition. The finalists from KS1, Lower KS1 and Upper KS2 battled it out in their respective rounds, answering their questions with confidence and accuracy. During the buzzer rounds each of the children impressed the crowd with their speed and skill as they mentally calculated ferociously difficult problems. Congratulations to all of the finalists, especially the competition winners:

- ◇ **Key Stage 1: Sahil, Year 1**
- ◇ **Lower Key Stage 2: Harrison, Year 3**
- ◇ **Upper Key Stage 2: Isaac, Year 6**

## Talk homework

What does the general election on June 8th mean to you?



Congratulations to all the children who received an attendance certificate in this morning's assembly. The certificates were to celebrate Gold, Silver and Bronze attendance for the Spring term.

Will you get one at the end of this term? It's not too late to start trying! Don't forget The Big Attendance Trip later this term...which class will be going?

### Whole Foods Project

Year 4 have a very exciting MAT partnership activity



this term: they are going to working on a School Food Matters project, in association with the Whole Kids Foundation. The foundation supports cooking and enterprise projects in schools and the children will be part of the 'Schools to Market' programme, learning about growing, cooking and marketing food. There is an exciting competition for parents and children, too; details are over the page.

### Sainsbury's Search your pockets and bags for stray Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers!



We have until next Friday, April 28th, to collect as many vouchers as we can. These vouchers really do make a difference; in the past we have purchased a wide range of sport, PE and playground equipment.



#### THE BIG BUILD

Enabling works have started at QM, ahead of The Big Build beginning later this term. It looks quite bleak to the rear of the school, however it marks the beginning of a significant upgrade to the school and its grounds. If you haven't seen the plans for the development already, you can see them attached to the wall in the playground and in greater detail on the school website. Throughout the build we will post photographs and updates on the website, through the newsletter and on our twitter feed.



### Say Cheese!

On Tuesday 25th April (next week) we will be having class photographs taken. The photos are full-length, so please ensure all children are in the correct school uniform and correct shoes and that they are looking super smart!



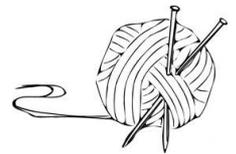
Well done to all of you for your super efforts to be greener (and healthier!) during our Bike It fortnight. Miss Nolan was very impressed with all cycling and scooting to school and the results could not have been closer. The winning class is **YEAR 2** with 97 bike or scooter journeys made over the two weeks, followed by **YEAR 5** with 96 journeys. Hopefully you will all keep up these great efforts, particularly as the weather continues to improve!



### DATE FOR THE DIARY

The Friends of Queen's Manor AGM is being held at 9am on Friday 5th May, in the Community Room. Everyone is invited; the more, the merrier! This year's summer fair will be on the agenda and you will also be able to nominate yourself, or others, for a position on the committee. If you are unable to make the AGM but are keen to support with the summer fair or are interested in a position on the FoQM committee, please speak to one of the ladies in the office and they can put you in touch with the appropriate people!

We have been completely overwhelmed by your generosity in contributing your precious time and incredible skill to our community project, the knitted blanket.



As you know, we set out hoping to make a blanket which could be donated to a local homeless shelter. We have so many knitted squares, with the promise of even more from you, that we think we may even be able to make two (or more) blankets.

We are going to continue to knit and collect squares until half term and then we will be looking for volunteers to help sew them all together!



### TIP OF THE WEEK

**Keep your password safe!** Don't use your mother's real maiden name as a password or as a bank security answer. It doesn't really matter whether you use the real one so make up a name that only you know. Just make sure you remember it!



## Schools to Market: Competition for parents

---

Good news. Your school has a place on the [Schools to Market](#) programme devised by School Food Matters for the Whole Kids Foundation.

Schools to Market takes children on a journey from seed to supermarket, teaching them some useful life skills along the way; growing, harvesting, cooking, marketing and selling products at your local Whole Food Market store. All money raised on Market Day goes straight back to your school to fund more food education fun!

To celebrate the fifth year of this wonderful programme, we're inviting parents to get involved with a simple competition to encourage you to cook with your children. We're setting you the same challenge as the children at your school - to create a tasty chutney, relish or sauce.

To enter this competition, there are just three simple steps:

1. Take two photos:
  - a. one of you and your child cooking your favourite chutney, relish or sauce together.
  - b. One of the finished product – in a pan, in a jar or being tasted!
2. Ask your child to taste, write a short review and rate your recipe with 1-5 stars
3. Submit the photo along with your recipe and your child's review to [gaby@schoolfoodmatters.org](mailto:gaby@schoolfoodmatters.org) by Monday 19 June.

The winner will receive a lovely prize courtesy of Whole Foods Market and each of the winning entries will be posted on the School Food Matters website.

**And don't forget to support your school by coming along to Market Day on Wednesday 12 July from at your local Whole Foods Market!**

---

**Please note:**

By submitting your entry, you are giving permission to School Food Matters and its projects partners to use your photographs to promote our work on a range of materials, both in print and on line.