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Queensgate Foundation Primary School

It's Harvest Time!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for supporting the Queensgate Fun Run!

The 10 mile and 5 k runs went really well last Saturday. Here are some of the photos from our Facebook page.

We raised £1,200 for equipment for the children. I would like to say a huge thank you to the Run Committee – Shelley Tilling, Ray Mundell,

Pete Tilling, Doug Cox, Julie Kingsbury and Lin Merwood for doing an amazing job organising the event. Thank you also to all the marshals who gave up their Saturday morning to make sure the runners got around the course safely. Thank you to all of you who sent in cakes – much appreciated. Lastly, thank you to all the runners! You were amazing!

Children's Fun Run

We are sending home a sponsor form with your child today. On Friday 18th October the children will have an opportunity to run a mile. Please encourage them to get sponsors from people they know. Our Year 6 children will be running this event for the rest of the school.

Parents, Teachers, Friends Association (PTFA)

On Thursday 17th October our PTFA will be having their AGM. It will be at the school in the meeting room at 6 pm. Refreshments will be provided. We are looking for a lot of positions to be filled. We are looking for a treasurer so anyone with book keeping skills would be great. We need a secretary who takes the minutes and co-ordinates the raffle prizes. We also need a parent rep from each class. We also need members for the committee to organise events like the Christmas and summer fairs. There are 400 children in our school but currently only 2 parents are on the committee. It is shame that organising events for the children and community fall to such few people. Please join us on Thursday 17th October at 6 pm at Queensgate.



What's for dinner next week?

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Learn

Grow...

(Remember all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children are entitled to Free School dinners.)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Beef Bolognaise with Spaghetti	Cottage Pie with Gravy	Roast Chicken and Stuffing with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken Pasta with Homemade Garlic Bread	Fish Fingers with Chips
Soya Bolognaise with Spaghetti	Shepherdess Pie with Gravy	Vegetarian Wellington with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Five Bean Chilli with Rice	Cheese and Onion Quiche with Chips
Peas Carrots	Sweetcorn Broccoli	Fresh Mixed Seasonal Vegetables	Peas Cauliflower	Baked Beans Peas
Pear Crumble with Custard	Rice Pudding with Mixed Berries	Apple, Cheese and Biscuits	Yoghurt Station Fruit platter	Chocolate and Mandarin Sponge

Lost Clothes

Hannah A in Year 6 has lost two brand new cardigans (size 36). Please check any cardigans that your child(ren) have brought home to ensure they haven't taken Hannah's by mistake. Please return to Year 6 or the office if found.

Su A in Year 2 has also lost a named cardigan. Please be on the look out. Many thanks.

OUT & ABOUT LEARNING

Children going Out and About must have <u>appropriate</u> play clothes (which you don't mind getting dirty) unless specified differently below.

Tuesday morning - Year 4 (We will be visiting the Green Barn Dairy Goat Farm so please wear suitable play clothes, coat and <u>wellies</u> and bring school clothes to change into afterwards. We will be in the barns and fields with the goats so wellies are a necessity.)

Kai B, Owen E, Riley G, Sophie L, Alfie L, Finn S, Alexis C, Marika F, Felix W, Layla L

Tuesday afternoon - Year 6 (We're off orienteering in the forest so please bring suitable play clothes to change into at lunchtime and wellies/old trainers. Meet at the front door ready to leave at 1pm.)

Hannah B, Ashton B, Holly C, Jessica D, Frankie G, Daisy L, Chloe M, James B, Ashton R, Tom E,

Finley L, Jacob M, George T, Lily-May R

Wednesday morning - Year 3 (We will be visiting the Shipwreck and Maritime Museum in Arreton so no need for play clothes. Please come in smart school uniform.)

Nyah B, Jaylen B, Jude B, Malix C, Ethan W, Maria S, Jaydon B, Kaydee C, Freddy C, Charlie C,

Katie D, Lily F

Wednesday afternoon - Year 2 (We will be visiting the Garlic Farm to follow their Farm Walk Trail so please bring in play clothes, wellies/old trainers and a coat to change into after you've eaten your lunch.)

Nyah B, Jaylen B, Jude B, Malix C, Ethan W, Maria S, Jaydon B, Kaydee C, Freddy C, Charlie C, Katie D, Lily F

The **Year 4** Out and About group visited the Green Barn Dairy Goat Farm on Tuesday. The children enjoyed sketching the goats and visiting the café for a glass of goats milk. In class, Year 4 have been learning about the land use of the Island and the importance of the farming trade. The children asked some brilliant questions to develop their understanding of how a farm is run and the differences between



a dairy cow farm and a dairy goat farm. 90% of the milk made at the Green Barn is turned into goats cheese and the rest is sold as milk or turned into soap, fudge or other produce.



On Tuesday afternoon half of **6LR** navigated their way around Firestone Copse searching for orienteering posts. The children used compasses to work out which direction we needed to travel to get to the next marker and learnt how to use compass bearings. They were all very enthusiastic and keen to race to find each orienteering post. They enjoyed looking out for red squirrels in the forest too.

Year 3 Out and About children visited the Maritime and Shipwreck Centre at Arreton Barns on Wednesday morning. Next half term they will be learning about the Stone Age. In preparation, they learnt about the important role of maritime archaeologists and the discovery of an 8,000 year old, Stone Age, submerged landscape at Bouldnor, Yarmouth. The children

enjoyed exploring the museum, handling some Stone Age artefacts (found at Bouldnor) and learning about the equipment used by divers. 'We learnt that Maritime Archaeologists have to use special waterproof paper and pencils so they can draw what they discover when diving. We also learnt some of the different hand signals divers use to communicate underwater.' Scarlett 3PT

On Wednesday afternoon the Year 2 Out and About group visited the Garlic Farm. We chatted about

how and where different fruit and vegetables grow as we walked around the farm and woodland. The children enjoyed gathering lots of pine cones and acorns during our walk as well spotting lots of wildlife.

'We used maps to follow a walk around the farm. I was really good at map reading. We saw a field of sunflowers. Their seeds are ground to make sunflower oil for cooking. We also saw some horses, Shetland ponies, Highland cows and found horse chestnuts in their spiky shells.' Freddie 2BG







Both Year 6's have had a free taster day at UKSA. Here are 6TS suited and booted in their water gear having great fun. Kirsten was even lucky enough to drive the rib.

The Year 6's learnt some key skills around water safety and what to do if they found themselves in difficulty in the water. We are lucky to live on the Island where watersports can be a hobby but where also some people make it their career.

QUEENSGATE SPORT ROUNDUP

Year 4 football; the team played two league matches over the last week. Firstly, the team played at Gurnard and came from 0-1 down to secure a narrow 3-2 win to open their account. On Monday, the team played at Newport SPORTS NEWS

Primary and managed to dodge the rain. The team led 4-1 at half time and converted this into a 7-2 win in the second half, to extend their lead in this section.

The U-11 Girls team played their first league game of the season, at home to Dover Park. The team led 1-0 and 2-1 but it was level at half time. Dover Park came close to getting a winner but it was Queensgate, who snatched victory, with 2 minutes left to play, to win 3-2.

Judo star to visit school

Kelly Renwicks is a Scottish Judoka. She has been training with her father and old sister since she was 4 years old. One of her main ambitions was to win a gold medal in the Commonwealth Games. She achieved this ambition in the Women's Under 48kg event at the 2014 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow. Since the beginning of her career Renicks has won over 15 World Cup medals with victories in Birmingham (2009) and Apia (2013). She won the British Open in 2013 and 2013. We look forward to her visit on November 18th.



Harvest Festival

On Friday 11th October we are going to St James' Church to celebrate Harvest Festival. We will be walking down to the church in East Cowes from Queensgate at 9 am. The service will start at about 9.45am. Please let us know if you would like to come along. Please note that space is limited and the only seats available will be upstairs in the balcony as Queensgate fills the whole downstairs of the church. Have a chat to your child to see what they are doing as part of the Harvest Festival.

We will be having a collection for the Isle of Wight Foodbank. The items that they currently need are:

Long life fruit juice, Sponge puddings, Dried rice, Tinned soup, Pasta Sauce, Mens and ladies toiletries

Please bring any donations into school next Friday.

Open Morning

Do you or anyone you know have a child who is due to start school next September? We are having an open morning next Tuesday 8th October. There will be a talk in the hall at 9.15 am followed by a tour of the school.

Authors in School

Next Thursday 10th October we have two authors visiting our school. Guy Bass will be working with years 3, 4, 5 and 6. Jules Mariner will be working with year R, 1 and 2.









Flu Information

Pupils will be bringing home Flu letters today. This year it is being offered to all year groups. Please could you complete and return the forms by no later than 16th October. All envelopes must be returned to class teachers **NOT** the office. Thank you.

Polite request

When you are picking children up from clubs at 4pm please could you remain in the foyer and ensure that any children with you are supervised. Our cleaning team are busy getting the school ready for the next days learning and are finding that this area is congested and that children are running around, making it difficult for cleaners to get by with their equipment trolleys. Thank you for your support.

Whole school attendance 96.39%.

Remember that good attendance will help your child to succeed at school.

<u>This week 5RA achieved 100%</u> <u>attendance! Well done.</u>

Thank you for your support.

Best wishes,



Samantha Sillito

Headteacher

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JUNIOR INDOOR SESSIONS AT THE CRICKET ACADEMY VENTNOR

STARTS FRIDAY 4th OCTOBER FOR 6 WEEKS

SOFTBALL - (AGE 6-10) - 5-6pm

HARDBALL - (AGE 11-15) - 6-7pm

23 PER SESSION

KIT WILL BE PROVIDED IF REQUIRED

ALL ELEMENTS OF CRICKET TO BE COVERED -

BATTING, BOWLING AND FIELDING

TO BOOK PLACE CONTACT THROUGH TEXT, FACEBOOK OR EMAIL

'Let's Talk About / 🖉 SEND' Week! Wand D Mon 7th October - Sat 12th October Are you a Parent Carer of a child with Special Educational Needs and / or Disabilities on the IW? Parents Voice IW is your local Parent Carer Forum, and we need to hear your views. Please come and tell us about your experiences of SEND provision here on the island. Where to find us: Thursday 10th October: 10am Lanesend Primary, Monday 7th October: (for parents of children at this school only) 10am Costa, Ryde 3pm Our Place, West Wight Community Centre Tuesday 8th October: 9am Broadlea School Friday 11th October: thool only) 11.30am Baby Box, 1.30pm St Georges School (for parents of children at this school only)

Wednesday 9th October:

- 9am East Cowes Pavillion
- Ventnor Old Youth Club

Saturday 12th October:

 10am Quay Arts Cafe, Newport