



**QUEEN BOUDICA**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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**School  
Newsletter**

20<sup>th</sup> July 2018

**Happy  
Holidays!**

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of another academic year we have spent time today celebrating the many fantastic achievements that have taken place in school. In assembly this morning we watched a slide show of significant events in each class which was lovely. It's hard to believe during this current spell of dry weather, that only a few months ago we were making snowballs on the field, in the midst of a total contrast of temperatures.

It's been an important year for school, starting with our very successful Ofsted inspection last September. Our end of year national test results have been excellent, and we are very proud of our outcomes in these nationally recognised benchmarks. However, we all strongly believe that primary school is a time to find your personal strengths in whatever area that might be, and we greatly enjoy celebrating our pupils' achievements in the arts, sport and all other areas. We are also proud of how kind, considerate and well mannered our pupils are.

I am pleased to be able to inform you that at a recent meeting of the board of governors, Mr. Richard Chandler has been newly elected as Chair of Governors, replacing Mr. Gareth Floodgate. I am looking forward to working with Richard next year and would like to congratulate him on his appointment.

We have said goodbye and thank you to members of staff this morning who are moving on to new challenges. We will miss them all and look forward to hearing of their new adventures. We also wish our Year 6 pupils every success and happiness in their futures as they begin the next phase of their education.

On behalf of the governing body and staff team, can I extend a very large 'thank you' to you all for your support which enables us to work together to achieve the very best for each pupil. I would like to thank the amazing team of adults who make Queen Boudica the success that it is and wish everyone a wonderful and restful summer. We'll be really looking forward to seeing the children back in September!

*Clare Woodward*

Ms Clare Woodward  
Head Teacher

### Reception & KS1 Attendance & Punctuality Monitor

Attendance for this Week: **93.96%**

Harry the Happy Hippo Lenny the Learned Lion Daisy the Determined Dragon	Ash YrR	Oak YrR	Elm Yr1	Beech Yr1	Birch Yr2	Hazel Yr2
	92.08%	92.50%	96.27%	91.03%	95.86%	95.33%
Absences	19	18	11	26	12	14
Lateness		1	2		5	

**Gold = 98 -100%, Green = 95 – 97.9%, Grey = 91 – 94.9%, Blue = 85 – 90.9%, Red = <84.9%**


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### \*\*\*KS2\*\*\* Attendance & Punctuality Monitor

Attendance for this Week: **95.52%**

	Maple Yr3	Rowan Yr3	Holly Yr4	Willow Yr4	Hawthorn Yr5	Sycamore Yr5	Chestnut Yr6	Aspen Yr6
	95.79%	97.67%	96.21%	91.33%	92.50%	99.67%	99.33%	91.61%
Absences	12	7	11	26	22	1	2	26
Lateness			3	3	5	2	5	4

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## IMPORTANT FAO - Year 2 Parents/Carers

Your child's Universal Free School Meal Entitlement ends as they leave KS1 and move into Year 3, KS2.

From the 4th September, you will be charged for all school lunches ordered for your child. Lunches are charged at £2 per day.

**If you think that you may be entitled to Income Based Free School Meals please apply as soon as possible via the link below.**



[www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools/Schools/Pupil-Parent-Support/Pages/Free-school-meals.aspx](http://www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools/Schools/Pupil-Parent-Support/Pages/Free-school-meals.aspx)

If you would prefer to provide your child with a home-prepared packed lunch when we return, please let the office know ASAP so that we can cancel any pre-booked meals.

Mrs Tatum & Mrs Cox find it very difficult to pop in and out of their office all day!



**DEAR  
PARENTS**

### Correspondence Sent Out This Week

Missed letters can be download from the school's website or requested from the school office.

- Email to Yr2 parents re Free School Meal
- Music Lessons – Existing Learners
- Music Lessons – New Learners



Tea, Coffee, Cake & Stalls!

Raising money for Cancer Research & Great Ormond Street Hospital.

**SEPTEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> BETWEEN 10AM AND 4PM**

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|------------------|---------------------|
| Face Paints      | Jumble sale         |
| Teddy Stall      | Tombola             |
| Knitted Garments | Jewellery           |
| Scentsy          | Hand Stitched Items |
| Hair Braids      | Sweet Stall         |
| Book Stall       | Cakes               |

**FREE ENTRY & FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY!**

**Come along to Queen Boudica School**



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# Summer Safety

## Stay safe in the sun

- Stay out of the sun during the hottest parts of the day, particularly 11am – 3pm.
- If you have to go out when it is hot, make sure you apply sunscreen, wear a sun hat and move into the shade where possible.
- Drink plenty of water/cold drinks, but avoid drinks containing caffeine.
- Spraying water onto your skin or placing a damp cloth on the back of your neck will help you keep cool.
- In hot weather, keep an eye on people who are elderly, ill or very young. Make sure they are able to keep cool.

## Home Security

- Always lock your windows and doors. In 1 in 10 burglaries, access is gained to property through an open window or door.
- Keep valuables out of site e.g. Smart phones, mobile devices, home entertainment systems, jewellery, car keys.
- Always lock garden gates, garages and sheds.
- Do not leave keys outside the property (e.g. under a mat or in a plant pot). Wherever possible leave keys with a trusted person to allow access.
- Store away tools or ladders so they so they can't be used to aid burglars.
- Use outdoor lighting and CCTV to deter burglars.
- Do not post on social media while you are away on holiday.

## Camp fires

- Camp fires must be started/supervised by a responsible adult.
- Only light a camp fire in specially designated areas/sites.
- Choose a clear area away from trees and bushes.
- Ensure there are no overhanging branches.
- Use a fire ring if provided. If not, make one with stones/rocks. This will help contain the ash.
- Keep gathered fire wood away from the area.



# Summer Safety

## Water safety

Don't swim in rivers, lakes or quarries – it can be extremely dangerous. Every year in the UK young people are seriously injured or die as a result of swimming in open waters.

### Hidden dangers

- There may be hidden currents.
- It will be very cold.
- It can be difficult to get out (steep slimy banks).
- There may be hidden rubbish, e.g. shopping trolleys, broken glass.
- It is very difficult to estimate depth.
- The water may be polluted and make you ill.
- There are no lifeguards.

## At the beach

- Read and take in the safety information signs. If you are going to swim, pay special attention to the information about coloured flags.
- The tides can be dangerous, so check this before setting up on the beach or going into the sea. Check with the lifeguard on patrol if you're unsure.
- Only use inflatables on a beach that's patrolled by lifeguards. Make sure children's inflatables are secured with a guide line and held by a responsible adult.
- Take extra care around slippery rocks, cliff tops, harbour walls, piers and rock pools.
- Do not jump from a height into the sea. There may be jagged rocks or similar matter just below the surface.
- Do not build sand tunnels to climb through. They can easily collapse on people and suffocate them.
- Don't forget about sun protection. Ensure children and young people have access to high factor sun cream, sunglasses, a t-shirt and hat, a beach umbrella and a cool drink.

