



QUEEN BOUDICA
PRIMARY SCHOOL



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School Newsletter

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EYFS

At school this week it has been 'Wouldn't It Be Boring Week'. The children have listened to stories and have had many discussion about how we are all different. They have impressed us with talking about both our similarities and differences across our families, like/dislikes and places we like to go.

Oak Class had a great time at the woods and we are pleased to report that dinosaur remains were found! Ash Class will be going to the woods on Tuesday 5th (the first day back after the half term break) and we are hopeful that there are more to be found. Please remember that even in warmer weather children's arms and legs need to be covered when going to 'Forest School'.

The children have also been impressing us with telling the time this week. We have been looking at 'o'clock' and 'half past' times and many children are now confident with reading these. It would be great to continue practising this at home!

Today the children were lucky to be invited to a special music assembly. They learnt about a mixture of woodwind and brass instruments as well as some musical terms. They thoroughly enjoyed listening to the different genres of music through the years going back to the 1600's.

The children have all worked very hard this half term and we hope you all enjoy a very well deserved break!

See you on Tuesday 5th June ☺
Have a great time!

Dear Parents,

We have had another busy week as we reach the end of this half term. Children in Year 2 have worked especially hard on their assessments; we're really proud of them. Thank you to everyone who attended the meeting on Wednesday regarding the Year 1 phonics assessments: we greatly appreciate your help and support in assisting your child to do their very best.

Year 1 enjoyed a very successful outing yesterday to Hollow Trees Farm: thank you to the parents who accompanied them. By all accounts it was lots of fun and really well organised. We've also all enjoyed a visit this morning from 5 Live, a group of musicians from the Essex Music Service. I'm sure that your children will be able to tell you about the instruments that they saw and heard: it was a great performance.

We all wish you a lovely half term, and are looking forward to seeing the children back at school on Tuesday 5th June.

With kind regards,

Clare Woodward

Ms Clare Woodward
Head Teacher

Reception & KS1 Attendance & Punctuality Monitor

Attendance for this Week: **96.41%**

Harry the Happy Hippo Lenny the Learned Lion Daisy the Determined Dragon	Ash YrR 94.89%	Oak YrR 95.70%	Elm Yr1 96.61%	Beech Yr1 93.79%	Birch Yr2 98.62%	Hazel Yr2 98.71%
Absences	12	12	10	18	4	4
Lateness	1		3	1	2	

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

KS2 Attendance & Punctuality Monitor

Attendance for this Week: **96.30%**

	Maple Yr3 94.18%	Rowan Yr3 96%	Holly Yr4 99.31%	Willow Yr4 94.33%	Hawthorn Yr5 100%	Sycamore Yr5 98%	Chestnut Yr6 92.67%	Aspen Yr6 96.08%
Absences	16	12	2	17		6	22	12
Lateness	2		3	4	3	2	2	

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SCHOOL DIARY

4th June – Non-Pupil Day
 4th to 6th June – Yr6 Residential Trip
 6th June – Year 5 Tudor Day
 11th June – EYFS (Sept18) Parent Meeting
 19th June – EYFS (2018) Settling In Visit
 20th June – Year 4 Colchester Castle Trip
 21st June - EYFS (2018) Settling In Visit
 26th June – Sports Day

AM for KS2
 Picnic 12 to 1
 PM for KS1

27th June – EYFS Trip to Hollowtree Farm
 29th June – Reserve sports day
 29th June – Year 6 'Great British Bake Off'
 1.00-3.00 pm

2nd-3rd July – St Benedict's Year 7 transition days
 9th -13th July – Year 5/6 performance week
 11th July – Class swap morning (TBC)
 17th July – Year 6 leavers BBQ (time TBC)
 20th July – Leavers' Assembly

Urgent Reminders Action Required

Please set up your **SIMS Parent Lite Accounts** (To enable the updating of you and your child's details directly with the schools Information System - SIMS)

If you have not already done so, please make sure you return your **General Data Protection Form**, on our first day back to school on the 5th June, to ensure the continuity of home/school correspondence.

Thank you.

Let the office know...

If you have arranged for a 'different from usual' adult to collect your child from school, you must let school know via a message in their purple home/school book or by telephoning the office by 2.30pm at the latest.

This is a safeguarding issue – we cannot allow non-named adults to collect pupils without prior knowledge.

Thank you for your understanding and help in ensuring home time runs smoothly at the end of each school day.



Sports Day will be held on:-
Tuesday 26th June
 AM for KS2
 &
 PM for KS1

Family and friends are warmly invited to join pupils for an
Altogether Picnic
Between 12 and 1pm

NEW School Uniform Supplier



www.yourschoolwear.co.uk

Madbounce Inflatables

QBPS Summer BBQ – 23rd June
 2018 2pm till 5pm

We will be having a selection of inflatable's at our Summer BBQ again this year. So children get to experience all of the bouncy castles as many times as they would like we are selling wristbands that entitle the user to UNLIMITED uses of all inflatable's ALL afternoon.

Wristbands are €5.00 per child in advance (they will be €7.00 on the Day)

Slips must be in by no later than the 12/6/18, 3.30pm in a sealed envelope with the correct money marked SUMMER BBQ.

Wristbands will be issued via book bags on 20/6/18 and MUST be worn on the day. (PLEASE ENSURE YOU TAKE CARE OF THEM).

Wristbands can be bought for siblings and non-QB children. All children must be supervised by an adult/carer/family member. No children will be admitted without an adult.

Name/s.....

Class.....

Money enclosed €.....

PLEASE DO NOT ENCLOSE ANY OTHER FORMS OR MONEY.

This event is organised by a third party.

Head Lice

The bug stops here!

Parents of pupils within various classes have reported cases of head lice. A useful leaflet containing practical advice on spotting and eradicating head lice is available from the schools reception area or downloadable from the schools website. (Key Information, Useful Documents & Forms).

Please do check your child's head regularly and treat as necessary.



Correspondence Sent Out This Week

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

- GDPR Letter – to Whole School
- SIMS LITE Letter – Whole School
- Phonics Screening Presentation Slides – Year 1



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Breakfast Club

7.30am to 8.40am - Monday to Friday
£3 per Session

Breakfast club is a pre-bookable service available to parents of children that attend Queen Boudica Primary School. Most spaces are taken up by 'regular' contracted bookings but one off 'adhoc' sessions are sometimes available. ALL sessions MUST be pre-booked by telephoning the school office on 01206 844654 at least one day before the required session - children must not be brought along unless a space for them has been confirmed. Parents will be telephoned to collect children dropped off where no space is available.

Children will be able to take part in a range of activities laid out around the hall and enjoy a two-course breakfast of:-

Cereal or Toast followed by Yogurt or Fruit and a cup of juice, squash or water.

Breakfast is served from 7.30a.m. until 8.30 a.m.



Children have many activities to choose from while at Breakfast Club including board games, Lego, arts and crafts and a quiet table for homework.

As with all school activities and clubs children are expected to adhere to the schools behaviour expectations and abide by its 'Purple Promises'. At the end of the session older children will take themselves off to their classes whilst our younger pupils are walked around to theirs.

Breakfast Club is located in the school hall. Parents should bring children to the hall's side entrance and sign them in before leaving. Sessions cost £3 each and can be booked as regular attendances, or as and when needed, subject to place availability, and when at least 24 hours notice has been given.

To enquire about space availability call into, or telephone the school office. You will be given the relevant paperwork to complete prior to your child/ren taking up a space (either regular or adhoc). Once the paperwork has been completed, a space confirmed, and a start date given, your child can start to come along.



Regular sessions are invoiced calendar monthly in advance and should be paid for promptly. Late fee's are chargeable.

Adhoc sessions are invoiced at the end of the month and, again, must be paid promptly.

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Smiley Troop

Monday to Friday After School Care
Half Session - 3.05pm to 4.45pm - £4
Full Session - 3.05pm to 6.30pm - £8
(term time only)

Smiley Troop is a pre-bookable childcare service available to parents of children that attend Queen Boudica Primary School. Most spaces are taken up by 'regular' contracted bookings but one off 'adhoc' sessions are often available. ALL sessions MUST be pre-booked by telephoning the school office on 01206 844654 at least one day before the required session - children cannot attend unless a space for them has been confirmed.

There are now two session types to choose from. You will NOT be able to swap between the two but must commit to that which best suits your needs at the time of booking.

Smiley Half Session - 3.05pm to 4.45pm - £4 a session

Children will have access to all of the usual activities and resources during this session and will be provided with a small snack at around 3.45pm to keep them topped up until teatime at home.

Smiley Full Session - 3.05pm to 6.30pm - £8 a session

As well as the above, children attending up until the new, later time of 6.30pm will be provided with a light tea at around 5pm. Tea will consist of a drink, a light meal such as beans on toast, half jacket potato, pasta or a sandwich and a dessert such as yogurt or fruit.

Children have many activities to choose from whilst at Smiley Troop including a weekly themed craft activity and a selection of toys and games. Computers are also available for children to use as well as a quiet table for homework. As with all school activities and clubs children are expected to adhere to the schools behaviour expectations and abide by its 'Purple Promises'.

Parents should telephone the Smiley Troop mobile phone number (displayed at the entrance doors) from outside school on arrival to collect their child/ren. Staff will, once the child/ren have gathered their possessions, bring them around to the entrance where the collecting adult will be required to sign them out confirming the time collected.

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Year 1 enjoyed a sunny trip to Hollow Trees farm on Thursday this week. They found out about the job of a farmer, helped feed a variety of animals and planted bean seeds in a field as well as their own beetroot seeds to take home. We had a great day (thoroughly recommended for a family day of fun) and wish to thank Shan and Rachel for their informative and friendly discussion along the way.

