



QUEEN BOUDICA PRIMARY SCHOOL

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School Newsletter

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EYFS

This week in EYFS we were surprised to find a mess in the library area - there was wool everywhere! We talked about the rhyme 'Baa Baa Black Sheep' and wondered if the wool might belong to the little boy who lives down the lane. The children wrote letters to him and posted them at the post box. We have had lots of fun and plenty of laughter changing the words to the rhyme. The children thought it was hilarious to ask Baa Baa Yellow Sheep if he had any bananas, for example. We have also been trying out printing skills and curling skills to create our own coloured sheep.

We have been looking at shapes in the environment so don't be surprised if your child points some of these out to you. We have been exploring language such as 'long', 'short', 'round', 'pointy', etc. to describe these (as well as naming them) and we shall continue with this next week.

It was lovely to see so many of you at our meeting on Monday. Notes were put in each child's bag but if you need another copy or have questions please do come and talk to us.

****Save the date****

The children will be holding a nursery rhyme tea party on Thursday 18th October at 9.00am. Invitations will follow.

Have a lovely weekend!

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you've all had a really good week. We've been particularly impressed with Ash and Oak classes who completed their first P.E. lessons in the hall this week and had great fun playing parachute games. Well done to them all. The children also went for a walk to the post box this morning: thank you to the adults who supported them in their first school trip which was very successful.

We are also really proud of the amazing work taking place in Year 5, where pupils are making models relating to their topic on The Tudors. There are some incredible models on display in the corridor: a very big 'well done' to everyone who's completed one so far, they're fantastic!

If you haven't yet signed up for a parent consultation meeting online, please do so as soon as is convenient. We greatly value the opportunity to talk about your child's achievements so far this year and it's really helpful in enabling us to work together with families in the best interests of every pupil. We all look forward to seeing you there.

We think that it might be a rainy day tomorrow, but hope that everyone has a lovely weekend whatever is planned, and look forward to seeing the children again on Monday.

Clare Woodward

Ms Clare Woodward
Head Teacher

Reception & KS1 Attendance & Punctuality Monitor

Attendance for this Week: **96.59%**

Harry the Happy Hippo Lenny the Learned Lion Daisy the Determined Dragon	Ash YrR 96.92%	Oak YrR 94.18%	Elm Yr1 97.5%	Beech Yr1 98.75%	Birch Yr2 96.55%	Hazel Yr2 96.07%
Absences	8	16	6	3	10	11
Lateness	4		1	1		1

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: **97.29%**

	Maple Yr3 98.15%	Rowan Yr3 98.67%	Holly Yr4 97.54%	Willow Yr4 98%	Hawthorn Yr5 96.66%	Sycamore Yr5 98.97%	Chestnut Yr6 95.56%	Aspen Yr6 94.84%
Absences	5	4	7	6	10	3	12	16
Lateness	2	2	2		2	4	3	

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Diary Dates

Mon 15th to Thur 18th Oct – After School

Book Fare (School Hall)

Weds 17th Oct & Thurs 18th Oct

Parent Consultation Evenings

Thurs 18th Oct

Wear Pink for Breast Cancer Day - £1 Donation

Fri 19th Oct - NON PUPIL DAY

Mon 22nd to Fri 26th Oct – HALF TERM

Mon 29th Oct – NON PUPIL DAY

Tues 30th Oct

FAFA Halloween Disco

Fri 2nd Nov

Whole School Individual Photographs

Thurs 8th Nov – 9.30am

EYFS Sept 19 Tour

Fri 16th Nov – All day

Children in Need Day

Weds 21st Nov

Flu Immunisation Day

Weds 28th Nov

Yr3 Ancient Egyptian Day

Thurs 29th Nov

Performance of Robinson Crusoe

Weds 5th Dec – 9.30am

EYFS Nativity Performance

Weds 5th Dec – 2pm

EYFS Sept 19 Tour

Thurs 6th Dec – 2pm

EYFS Nativity Performance

Thurs 6th Dec – 6.30pm

Yr3 & Yr4 Carol Concert (St. Michaels Church)

Tues 11th Dec – 1.45pm

KS1 Nativity Performance

Weds 12th Dec – 9.30am

KS1 Nativity Performance

Fri 14th Dec

Save The Children's Christmas Jumper Day &
School Christmas Lunch

**Thurs 20th Dec '18 to Wed 2nd Jan '19 - Christmas
Break**

This week's Golden Dustpan

Award Goes To...



Rowan Class



To this week's Head Teacher
Award Winners:

Sasha in Ash Class
Kaileb in Oak Class
Esme in Elm Class
Mishary in Beech Class
Benjy in Birch Class
Jude in Hazel Class
Paloma in Maple Class
Olivier in Rowan Class
Dylan in Holly Class
Ethan in Willow Class
Faith in Hawthorn Class
Ali in Sycamore Class
Callum in Aspen Class
Max in Chestnut Class

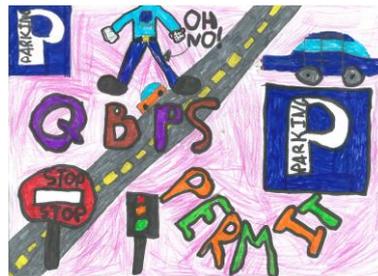
School Uniform Supplier



www.yourschoolwear.co.uk

Highwood's Country Park - Parking Permits are still available to families that are unable to walk to school and need to come by car. These complimentary passes are for use for school runs only and can be requested via the school office.

The pathway from Turner Road through to the school has now made walking in from the Country Park even easier so If you are able to walk – please do. Congestion around the school is causing great frustration to all.



**DEAR
PARENTS**

Correspondence Sent Out This Week

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

- Yr3 Ancient Egypt Day
- Whole School – Parent Consultation Invitation
- EYFS – Save The Date, Nursery Rhyme Tea Party

IMPORTANT – Punctuality Expectations

Punctuality is vital to the start of the school day as the day's objectives are set and learning tasks explained. Lateness also causes disruption for the rest of the class who are ready to learn.

- ♦ **The school gates are opened at 8.40am & locked at 8.55am**
- ♦ **The register is taken at 9am promptly.**
- ♦ **Lateness forms part of our regular Attendance Reviews conducted in conjunction with attendance officers from Attendance Solutions.**
- ♦ **Parents have a legal obligation to ensure that their children arrive at school punctually each day.**

Failure to address and improve on punctuality issues raised will, in the first instance; result in a request to attend a School Attendance Meeting here at school. Continued failure to address poor punctuality may then result in a fine being sought via Essex County Councils 'Missing Education & Child Employment Service'.

Term Time Holidays – An Important Reminder

We are concerned to note the seemingly constant stream of 'Applications For Term Time Leave of Absence' forms submitted by parents of Queen Boudica pupils. Term times are for education, pupils and families have 175 days off school, including weekends and school holidays, to spend time together. Taking children out of school during term time can be detrimental to children's educational progress. There is no entitlement to parents to take their children out of school during term time.

The school will only authorise a term time holiday in genuinely exceptional circumstance. Where an unauthorised holiday is taken, the school will request that a penalty notice be issued (through Essex County via Attendance Solutions) to each parent of £60* for each child taken out of school. *Increasing to £120 if not paid within 21 days.

IMPORTANT:- New legislation came into force from September 2018 whereby Penalty Notices can (and will) be issued to parents/carers of any pupils that have 6 sessions (3days) or more of unauthorised absences recorded during the first two weeks of September. Queen Boudica Primary School will be enforcing these Penalty Notices to discourage absences at this vital, start of new academic year, time.

This Week's
Presentation Awards
go to...



Issey-Blu in
Hawthorn Class
& Eliza in Maple Class



ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

Location	22 nd	23 rd	24 th	25 th	26 th
COLCHESTER	SPECIAL ACTIVITY NERF WARS	THRILLER DANCE WORKSHOP	SOFT ARCHERY	SHOOT THE GHOST PAINTBALL	HALLOWEEN PARTY
SPORTS	DOGBALL ULTIMATE FRISBEE HUMAN HURRY HOPPO SKILL SESSION RAGBIFBALL	OBSTACLE COURSES RELAY RACES FOOTBALL BENCH FOOTBALL WINE GAMES	BASKETBALL DOGBALL BENCH FOOTBALL TENNIS INDOOR CRICKET	PARACHUTE GAMES KIDS BASKETBALL FOOTBALL CRASH MAT SLIDE BUNKER WARS	FANCY DRESS FACE PAINTING PARTY GAMES MUSIC ZOMBIE WRAP COLOURING COMPETITION
CRAFTS	MONSTER FINGER PAINTING	HALLOWEEN SWEET TREAT MAKING & DECORATING	MASKS & PUPPETS	SLIME MAKING	HALLOWEEN DECORATION MAKING
RAYLEIGH	THRILLER DANCE WORKSHOP	NERF WARS	EZY ROLLERS	SHOOT THE GHOST PAINTBALL	HALLOWEEN PARTY
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SPORTS	PARACHUTE GAMES KIDZ FITNESS FOOTBALL CRASH MAT SLIDE BUNKER WARS	DOGBALL ULTIMATE FRISBEE HUMAN HURRY HOPPO SKILL SESSION RAGBIFBALL	OBSTACLE COURSES RELAY RACES FOOTBALL BENCH FOOTBALL WINE GAMES	BASKETBALL DOGBALL BENCH FOOTBALL HOCKEY INDOOR CRICKET	FANCY DRESS FACE PAINTING PARTY GAMES MUSIC ZOMBIE WRAP COLOURING COMPETITION
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PRICES

DAY PRICE = £25

FULL WEEK = £100

FAMILY SAVERS

2 KIDZ = £40 PER DAY

3 KIDZ = £50 PER DAY

TIMES

STANDARD TIMES 9AM - 4:30PM

OPEN FROM 7:30AM - 6 PM AT ADDITIONAL CHARGE