

Quinton House Junior School

Bi—Weekly Newsletter
w/e Friday 11th November 2016



A WORD FROM THE HEAD:

I do hope that you all had a peaceful and restful half-term and that if you managed to get away that the weather was kind.

I am writing this just after the Q3-Q13 Remembrance Assembly. It was moving to see the children recognising the sacrifices that have been made to ensure their freedom and security.

We were delighted to see many of you at the Annual Bonfire Night last weekend which proved to be a very successful event and we would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who kindly helped on the evening.

I would like to remind all parents, that with the arrival of the winter weather, to ensure that the children have their winter coats with them. This will ensure that they can still go out and play at both break and lunchtime.

On the same note, can I please ask that all visitors driving onto the site take extra care on the approach and whilst on the site. Due to the dark evenings it can be difficult to see both adults and children crossing the road and paths and I would ask that you are extra vigilant.

Mr S Pape

CONTACTING MRS RIHAL— PA TO HEAD OF JUNIORS

To contact Mrs Rihal or to book an appointment to see Mr Pape please call her direct on

01604 684829

CONTACTING AFTER SCHOOL CARE

If you need to contact the after school care team for any reason between 4.00—6.00pm please call them direct on:

07815 693051

QR NEWS

It was lovely to welcome the children back to school this week. They have all enjoyed sharing news, photographs and diaries of what they have been doing over half term.

This term we will be learning about different celebrations. We have started the topic by learning about the Hindu festival of Diwali and were very lucky to have Mrs Lahoti visit us on Monday to tell us about Diwali and answer the children's questions.

We read the story of Prince Rama and Princess Sita and made clay diva lamps to help light their way home. Children have also enjoyed writing Diwali cards for each other, making Rangoli patterns and playing in the new Indian Restaurant role play area.

Miss C Billington



Just a reminder that the filled shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child need to be brought into school by Monday 14th November at the latest.

Many Thanks

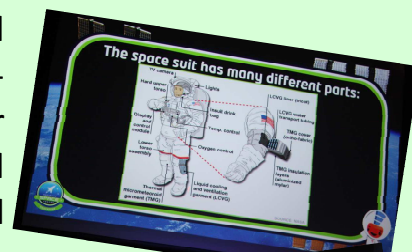


Q5 VISIT THE SPACE CENTRE AND MEET TIM PEAKE

On Friday 14th October Q5 went to the Space Centre in Leicester. In a 'Life in Space' workshop we learnt about all the different skills a trainee astronaut would need when repairing the space craft or conducting scientific experiments: quick reactions, co-ordination and patience - similar to skills needed when teaching Year 5 - to name a few.



We learnt how clothing is adapted to help astronauts manage the extreme conditions of life in outer space, including especially adapted cooling and insulating layers and nappy like pants. The final layer of a space suit is a bullet proof layer to protect the astronauts from micrometeoroids flying around in space, hitting them as they work.



The main attraction was in the afternoon when a real life 'celebrity' astronaut was visiting. Major Tim Peake shared his experiences of being selected from an initial group of 8000, training for two and a half years to become an astronaut and his favourite experiences of space.

It was a thoroughly enjoyable day and one that will be remembered for a long time to come.



Mrs J Saghri and Mrs M Herbert

TABLES BADGES

Congratulations to the following who have been awarded their tables badges this week.

One star

Shai Joshi

Alex Arnold

Myles Rowley

Mrs M Herbert

Middle School Times Tables Badges

Dates for Autumn Term (2) 2016

TUESDAY lunch time

8 th November	One star (x 2,3,4,5 and 10) – 20 sums in 4 minutes
15 th November	Two star (x 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 10) – 25 sums in 4 minutes
22 nd November	Three star (x 2 to 10) – 30 sums in 3 minutes 30 Seconds
29 th November	Silver Star (all tables) – 40 sums in 3 minutes
6 th December	Gold star (all tables) – 50 sums in 1 minute (spoken) up to Q5
13 th December	Gold star (as above) Year 6 students only



CHILDREN IN NEED

Mufti Day – Friday 18th November 2016

It is Children In Need on Friday 18th November and as such we will be having a Whole School Mufti Day. The theme this year is “The Big Spotacular” so pupils may wear their own spotty clothes but must donate a minimum of £1 for the privilege. Please hand this money in to your class teacher.

In addition to your £1 donation we would also be very grateful if you could send in a donation of a chocolate bar/sweets. At our Christmas Fayre on December 9th Year Six have very kindly offered to run a chocolate tombola so all donations will be used to support them set up their fantastic stall.

If pupils wish to wear any official Children in Need merchandise, they of course are encouraged to do so.

Thank you for your continued support.

School uniform shop

opening hours during the Christmas break

Thursday 15th December
8.30—10.00am

Wednesday 4th January 2017
10.00am —1.00pm

Thursday 5th January 2
10.00am—1.00pm

NURSERY NEWS 11TH NOVEMBER

What is an opposite? Ask your child some opposites, we are amazed by how quickly they have picked up the concept in our new topic 'night and day'. The children have done lots of investigating this week inside and out in the garden. Magnets, torches, dens, we've really got stuck in!

The children have also been cutting and making some poppies for Remembrance Day. On Friday we observed a one minute silence and talked about 'saying thank you to all the soldiers past and present for looking after us'

