# Quinton House Junior School

## Bi—Weekly Newsletter w/e Friday 16th September 2016

#### A WORD FROM THE HEAD:

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

It is wonderful to see all the children back after the Summer break and I hope that you all had a relaxing holiday.

The term has started off very positively and the children all seem happy to be back in school and so we look forward to a successful year.

I was delighted to meet many of you at our recent Assessment and Reporting Evenings, where we explained our new assessment structure and the methods and frequency of the reports. If you were unable to attend these meetings, the PowerPoint will be available on the school website next week.

As I sit here getting ready for our first awards assembly, I would like to remind parents to let me know of any achievements by the children that take place outside of school. I am always delighted to see children bringing in their cups and medals for the school to be able to recognise their achievements.

Can I also take this opportunity to remind you of the procedures for reporting an absence. Any absence should be reported on the absence line, by ring the school number and pressing option 1. This should be followed up on the child's return by a letter that we can put on the pupil file.

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

Mrs Rihal works Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday:

#### TEA REQUEST FORMS

The deadline for the return of Tea Request Forms is **Monday 19th September**. Any forms received after this date will be returned and you will need to book the tea on an ad hoc basis charged at £1 per day paid to Mrs Brown/Mrs Rihal on the morning the tea is required.

#### HEAD'S AWARD—THURSDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2016

- **RCB** Eshan Mohammad for settling in very well to Quinton House School.
- **1PW** Cassidy Bees for being a sensible role model to others in her class, for making good choices and showing kindness to everyone.
- **2PP** Annabelle Flowers for impeccable classroom behaviour.
- **3AU** Ozzy Johnston-Coppin for always trying his best in all that he does.
- **3MC** Rylee White for settling into Quinton House School with ease.
- **4DH Joseph Harley** for demonstrating Quinton House School values at all times by supporting and welcoming new children to the school.
- **4KM** Folarin Odegbaro for settling in so well at Quinton House School.
- **5MH** William Otter for settling into life at Quinton House School with positive and enthusiasm.
- **5JS Sasho Lockey** for excellent contributions in a variety of curriculum area.
- **6SW** Faith Atkinson for excellent writing and presentation of a holiday recount in English.
- **6MW** Hattie Johnson for excellent work in English.

#### QR NEWS

Welcome to the first Reception newsletter of the year. The children may have only been at school for two weeks but they have settled in very well and are already familiar with daily routines.

This week we read the story 'The Enormous Crocodile' to celebrate Roald Dahl's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. We made a collage of a crocodile and talked about the textures of the different materials we used. In Literacy we wrote a simple sentence about a character from the story and children tried really hard to form letters. In Maths we counted crocodile teeth and thought about how many teeth there would be if we added one more.

Next week we will be starting our topic on 'Bears'. Each week we will be reading a different story and completing activities covering all areas of learning.

Children have been working hard in phonics and are excited to learn a new sound each day. Thank you for the support you have given with phonics homework sheets, children are keen to share their work each morning.

Miss C Billington

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN Q3

In Year 3 over the past two weeks the children are being introduced to their new topics. In Science they are learning about 'Animal including Humans', in R.E. their topic is 'Signs and Symbols' and their topic in Geography and History is 'The Romans'.

In Science the children have carried out their first investigation, looking at the different food groups and observing which food groups goes mouldy the quickest. The children were eager to see the changes over the weekend.

In history this week the children have been researching about the Roman Invasion and have written up their findings as a newspaper report.

Please ensure your children have a named water bottle in school every day.



#### CONTACTING AFTER SCHOOL CARE

If you need to contact the after school care team for any reason between 4.00—5.45pm please call them direct on:

07815 693051

#### TABLES BADGES

There were no tables badges awarded this week.

#### ROALD DAHL DAY



Pupils Design Villains for Roald Dahl Day!

To mark 100 years since the birth of Roald Dahl, Year 5 and 6 pupils have been designing Roald Dahl-inspired villains like Mr Croc, shown in the photo! Pupils have shown great creativity and thoroughly enjoyed creating some amazing looking baddies! Roald Dahl day is being celebrated around the world.

#### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We warmly invite all parents to our Macmillan coffee morning on Friday 30th September at 9am in the Junior School Courtyard. We would be grateful for your cake donations! Please bring into school before 9am on 30th September. We look forward to seeing you there.



Mrs E Mesquita

### Middle School Times Tables Badges

# Dates for Autumn Term (1) 2016 TUESDAY lunch time

13<sup>th</sup> September One star (x 2,3,4,5 and 10) - 20 sums in 4 minutes  $20^{th}$  September Two star (x 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 10) - 25 sums in 4

minutes

27<sup>th</sup> September Three star (x 2 to 10) - 30 sums in 3 minutes 30

seconds

4<sup>th</sup> October Silver Star (all tables) - 40 sums in 3 minutes

11<sup>th</sup> October Gold star (all tables) - 50 sums in 1 minute (spoken)

## **School Shop Opening hours**

Tuesday 3.30pm — 6.00pm

Wednesday 8.00am — 10.30am

3.30pm — 6.00pm

Thursday 8.00am — 10.30am

#### NURSERY NEWS 9TH SEPTEMBER





#### Welcome! Welcome!

For the new readers this is the Nursery's weekly Newsletter, we like to show off a selection of photos from throughout the week and tell you all about our events and experiences. Each child will appear in the newsletter at least once each half term.

Firstly, we would like to start by saying a huge thank you to our parents and families for our fantastic cards and presents received at the end of term last year. The cards contained such kind and lovely words and some treasured memories too!

All week the staff have been saying how amazing the children have been. They have all settled in well and have been happy to make new friends.

Next week we will continue to find out "all about me" in our first topic of the year.







#### NURSERY NEWS (16TH SEPTEMBER)







Wow how quickly the second week has gone. The Nursery children have been buzzing with excitement this week with the beginning of the clubs , please keep an eye out for club sign up letters in your child's bag. We have made the most of the sunshine with lots of trips to the paddock and the woods. Mrs Banyard and Miss Parker have been busy little bees too , re-vamping the Nursery front garden. It now features a cute book corner and a brand new café.

Please note: Quinton House School will be taking part in this year's Jeans for Genes Day on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>September. We would like everyone in the school to take part so your child can come into Nursery on the day wearing jeans and mufti for a £2 donation.





