

The Quinta Primary School

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Everyday Excellence

- Authentic Care
- Independence
- Opportunity

Key Information

Peak Sleep Course Offer

If your little one is struggling with sleep and you are looking for experienced, empathetic, evidence-based help look no further than Peak Sleep.

Nicki Sutton, the Sleep Specialist from Peak Sleep understands your needs. Sleep deprivation affects every member of the family in every way - their sleep, their health, their work. It doesn't need to be this way, and Peak Sleep is here to help.

The good news is that Peak Sleep and The Quinta Primary School have teamed up and are offering all our parents after April for just £7. If you would like to register your interest please contact The School Office on <u>admin@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk.</u>





<u>A Little Valentines Treat for the Children</u> Children are invited to join us for our sumptuous Valentines Meal on Wednesday 14th February.

Non-Uniform Day

We are having a non-uniform day on Friday 9th February. All you need to do is to send your child to school with some chocolate ready to hand to their class teacher. Please don't feel that you need to rush out and purchase chocolate specially for this event, if it's still in date and wrapped we will have it, you could even donate some of the Christmas chocolate that may be hanging around. We are grateful of all donations and these will be supporting an event run by the SEND Team in the near future.

NON-UNIFORM DAY FRIDAY 9TH FEBRUARY

We are having a whole school dress down day on Friday 9th February. All you need to do is send your child to school with a bar, bag or tub of chocolate ready to hand it to their and class teacher. The best part is they will be ready for the disco later on!

IN EXCHANGE FOR CHOCOLATE

It's Disco time!

Get the childrens party clothes on and shimmy them off to school for the FOQ disco on Friday 9th February. Entry will be £3.50 and this includes a drink plus sweets. The FOQ shop will also be open for children to purchase small toys.

THE FRIENDS OF QUINTA



KS1 4:00 - 4:45 KS2 5:00 - 5:45

£3.50 ENTRY INCLUDES A FREE DRINK AND SWEETS

ENTRANCE AND EXIT THROUGH THE REAR HALL DOORS. Fog shop will also be open for children to purchise items.

Other Information

Support our Year 6 Swimmers!

Dig deep and support our Year 6 swimmers in the 2024 Congleton Swimathon. Donations can be made by <u>clicking here!</u>

The Quinta Primary School MAKE A SPLASH!

Swimathon 2024

Year 6 are taking part in a sponsored swim on March 15th to raise money for local charities:

- Macclesfield Christie Hospital
- Congleton's League of Friends This charity provides relief to patients in Congleton and Macclesfield hospital by making grants to various individuals or <u>departments</u>.
- Congleton's Less Able Club An organisation for people with mobility problems. This club provides an opportunity to meet with a varied programme of activities and events.

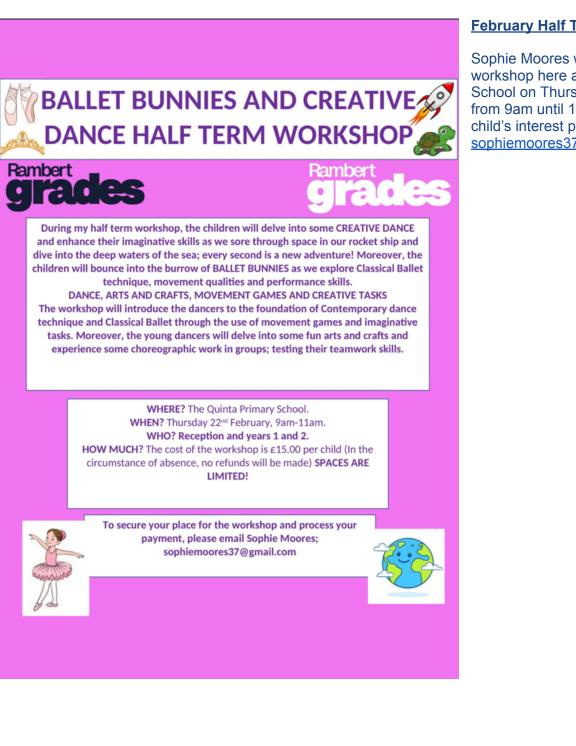




Please support our Year 6 swimmers by donating!

https://www.justgiving.com/page/quintaswimathon

Local Events & Opportunities



February Half Term Dance Workshop

Sophie Moores will be running a dance workshop here at The Quinta Primary School on Thursday 22nd February from 9am until 11am. To register your child's interest please email <u>sophiemoores37@gmail.com</u>

February Half Holiday Club

The New Life Church is running a 3 morning Easter holiday club during the February half term and they would love to invite the children at Quinta to come along!

All the details are on the flyer opposite. The cost of the club is £9. Booking is essential via Eventbrite. Any questions about booking or help with costs then email the New Life Church on : youthandchildren@nlchurch.org.uk.

NEW LIFE CHURCH, CONGLETON PRESENTS...



A HOLIDAY CLUB FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN, WITH GAMES, CRAFT, BIBLE DRAMA, SONGS AND MORE

MONDAY 19TH TO WEDNESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 2024, 10:30-12:30PM EACH DAY

THE COST IS £9 FOR THE WEEK

TO BOOK PLEASE SEARCH 'CEDRIC'S TIME TRAVELLING ADVENTURE 2024' ON EVENTBRITE OR SCAN THE QR CODE



BOOKING CLOSES ON FRIDAY 9TH FEBRUARY

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE EMAIL YOUTHANDCHILDREN@NLCHURCH.ORG.UK

Reminders

Nut allergies - We have a large number of children with severe nut allergies. We are a nut free school so please ensure all packed lunches and snacks are nut free.

PE Kit - Please remember that your child can come to school in their P.E. kits for P.E. days. You should have had a note on Seesaw to let you know when your child has P.E. This is different in the reception classes. The children will have their P.E. kits in school to change into.

Attendance - Holidays in Term Time

We advise parents/carers to avoid taking children out of school in term time. Holidays taken in term time will not be authorised. If parents/carers decide to take child/children out of school, please call into the school office for a Leave of Absence form to be completed - this is so that we can accurately identify where a child is. Where we believe a child has been on holiday when we have been told they are on holiday we reserve the right to ask for medical evidence or fine.

Please be aware, holidays exceeding 10 or more sessions will result in a fixed penalty notice.

Children on Social Media The Quinta Primary has a presence on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, if you do not wish for any images of your child to be used on these platforms please let the School Office know.

Coats Your child will be outside if it's raining. **If they do not bring a coat to school they will be wet.** Children will have the option to stay under the lodge, shelter under the key stage 1 classrooms or under the hall canopy. Children will only be inside if the temperature is unbearably cold.

Healthy School Snacks

Snacks play a major part in children's diets. Here are ideas for healthy snacks for children in the classroom and afterschool programs:

Fruits and vegetables

Dried Fruit – raisins, dried apricots, dried mango.

Healthy Grains - bread, crackers, cereal bars

Dairy – yogurt, cheese

Children will be told to put unhealthy snacks back in their lunchboxes if they are seen eating them at playtime. **Bread, fruit, vegetables and dairy are permitted**. Crisps, chocolate, sweets and *cakes are not permitted. The school occasionally allows unhealthy treats such as cake as part of fundraising or celebration days. You will be notified of these days.

Drinks in school

Please can you ensure your child has water in their bottle. There are occasions where some children will only drink water with cordial and if this is the case then exceptions can be made. However, if your child brings energy drinks,

carbonated drinks or other branded bottles, they will be given them back at the end of the day to take home. Children have access to water to fill up during the day.

School Uniform

Here at The Quinta we pride ourselves on how smart all our students present themselves everyday. As we approach half term we would like to politely remind parents to ensure the correct school uniform is used - no trainers with uniform, remember ties and correct PE kit.

Our school uniform can be purchased from DP Sportswear, please see contact details below. All items of uniform can be purchased from DP Sportswear not just our logoed uniform.

Address: 50 Bromley Road, Congleton, Cheshire CW12 1PT

Telephone: 01260 274400 Email: sales@dpsportswear.co.uk



Consent Form - Participating in activities 2023-2024 and ongoing

We require a parent/carer/guardian consent form for 2023-2024 and ongoing. Please read the following agreement and give your consent to your child participating in the listed activities. If at any time you wish to withdraw your consent please inform the school in writing.

Please <u>click here</u> to access the consent form for activities.



Consent Form - Photographic and Video 2023-2024 and ongoing

We require a parent/carer/guardian consent form for 2023-2024 and ongoing. Please read the following agreement and give your consent to your child being photographed or videoed. If at any time you wish to withdraw your consent please inform the school in writing.

Please <u>click here</u> to access the consent form for photographs and video.

School Communications and Applications

Seesaw

Seesaw is the application that we use within school to document your child's learning journey. If you require further information regarding this please see below.

Seesaw app information Welcome to Seesaw handout

It might help you to print out the QR code and keep this as once you log out of your child's account you will need the code to log back in again. If you are having difficulties please see your child's class teacher.

School Spider

School Spider is The Quinta Primary School's main form of communication. If you are new to the school or are having problems using the application please follow the steps below.

For new parents

To create an account with School Spider:

- Download the FREE School Spider App
- Select our school
- Click Parent Login
- Click 'Create Account'
- Input the email address we have on file for your child/children
- Follow the steps in the email you receive. Please note, your username is NOT your email address

For existing parents

If you have used School Spider before but you cannot remember your login details:

- Make sure you have the latest version of School Spider App
- Select our school
- Click Parent Login
- Click Forgot Password
- Enter your email address and it will send you a reset password link and username. Please note, your username is NOT your email address

Parent App Guide.pdf

Safeguarding

- Mr Sharpe (headteacher) DSL Designated Safeguard Lead
- Mrs Bernard (SENCO) Deputy DSL
- Ms Stones (assistant headteacher) Deputy DSL
- Mrs Wootton (Y4 class teacher) Deputy DSL
- Miss S Massey (Deputy DSL)

Parking.

As you are aware, traffic around school both at 8:30-9:00 and 14:50-15:30 is terrible. In considering the safety of your children please consider alternatives for example:

- Walk to school
- Park a little further away and walk
- Car share with others who are local to you
- Make use of the before and after school clubs
- Cycle / scooter to school

If none of the above are options for you then please arrive in plenty of time and park safely.

Dates <u>Click here for holiday dates</u>

February

- 6th February Safer internet day (Computing)
- 9th February School Disco
- 12th February Anti Bullying Week
- 12th February Parents evening face to face. Telephone throughout the week (individual)
- 17th February 25th February Half term

<u>March</u>

- 8th March World Book Day (English)
- 17th March Whole School Red Nose Day
- 8th 17th March Science Week
- 18th March Y6 Mocks for SATS
- 20th 22nd March Year 5 London Residential
- 26th March Autism Awareness day (Year 2 to lead KS2 assembly & fund raise) Theme; stories of empowerment, challenges faced and the victories achieved
- 28th March Easter Experience morning
- 28th March Easter egg celebration day Thursday
- 28th March Easter Service
- 29th March Sunday 14th April Easter Holiday

<u>April</u>

- 15th April Back to School
- 22nd April Earth day Theme: Protect our Species (Geography)

<u>May</u>

- 2nd May National Astronomy Day (Science)
- **15th May** Eid celebration day (R.E.)
- 9th May British Science Day Theme: 'The Passing of Time.' 30th Year Anniversary (Science)
- 13th 16th May SATS Y6
- 16th May Mental Health Awareness Day (PHSCE)
- 23rd May 2024 Tempest Photography Class Groups and Year 6 Leaver
- 25th May 2nd June Half Term

<u>June</u>

• 21st June National Music Day (Music)

<u>July</u>

- 10th 12th July Y6 PGL
- 20th July Summer holiday starts
- 22nd and 23rd July inset days

Sporting dates for your Diaries

Bee Active

- Monday 5th February KS1 Gymnastics
- Monday 11th March KS2 Inclusive sports and wheelchair basketball
- Monday 15th April KS1 Olympics
- Monday 20th May KS2 Combat Dodgeball

Skip-hop(last time as Lee is retiring)

• Tuesday 30th April and Wednesday 1st May 2024

Watersports

- Year 3 Thursday June 20th 2024
- Year 4 Wednesday 10th July 2024
- Year 5 Wednesday 19th June 2024
- Year 6 Wednesday 22nd May 2024

Swimming pool in use 9th-18th July

Key Assessment Dates

Attendance all year round is extremely important for your child's well being and progress however there are some key dates within the year that their attendance is imperative for national assessment, these dates are as follows:

- Key Stage One Phonics Screening Check w/c 10th June 2024
- Key Stage One SATs throughout May 2024
- Year 4 Multiplication Check within the two week period commencing 3rd June 2024
- Key Stage 2 SATs Week Monday 13th until Thursday 16th May 2024

The Quinta Senior Leadership Team			Who to contact
Member of staff	Position	What areas can they support me with?	How to contact/where they can be found
Mr W Sharpe	Headteacher	Escalation of concerns. Any safeguarding concerns.	head@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk
Ms S Stones	Assistant Headteacher	Issues or concerns relating to KS2. Any safeguarding concerns.	<u>sstones@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk</u> Teaching in Y6.
Mrs K Bernard	Assistant Headteacher	Issues pertaining to special educational needs. Any safeguarding concerns.	kbernard@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk
Mrs S Hoyle	School Business Manager	Any issues pertaining to the school office, preschool booking.	sbm@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk In the school office.