



It was lovely to welcome our Year 4 children back from Conwy today. They have had a wonderful time sailing, zip lining and making memories. What a fantastic experience! In school the children have been busy celebrating Eid and learning to skip. A lovely start to May at The Quinta.

Have a great weekend,  
Mr Sharpe

## Key Information

### Uniform - No football kits

We are making some changes to our policy which we brought in during COVID.

### **What is staying the same?**

Pupils will be allowed to come to school in their Quinta PE kit on PE days. They can stay in this kit for afterschool clubs.



Royal blue PE top



Navy blue shorts



Navy blue jogging bottoms.

What is changing

Children will need to bring in a change of clothes for after school clubs if they do not want to wear their PE kit or. If they have PE on the same day then they can just remain in their PE kit. (No football kits during school time)

**Staff - New starter.**

This week we welcomed Mrs Capper to Team Quinta. She has slotted right in and has been working with our Y5 and Y6 children.

**Sports Days - Dates.**

Here are the confirmed dates for this year's sports days:

Early Years will have their own sports day. This is Preschool and Reception and will take place on Tuesday 21st May from 9-11:30am. If you would like to book your preschool child in for the morning - if this is not your usual day - please contact the office.

Key Stage 1 (Y1-2) will be on Monday 20th June from 9-11:30am

Key stage 2 (Y3-6) will be on Monday 20th June from 1-3pm

**Non Uniform Day- Red Team Winners!**

On Friday 13th May all of red team will be able to come in non uniform - provided they wear at least one item of red.

**Assembly returns - Finally!**

We are excited to be bringing back our singing and celebration assemblies. These will take place on Tuesdays and Fridays.

**Art Exhibition - Come along.**

As part of our Art curriculum we are holding a Street Art Experience Day. This will culminate in an exhibition on Tuesday 24th May where you will be able to come after school up until 6:15pm to view and, if you wish, purchase your child's artwork framed. The pictures will be priced at £8 for the original which is framed and safety glazed and mounted as you see them on display. For a fully framed lazer copy the price will be £6

**Skipping ropes**

It has been a great two days skipping at school; and it was so lovely to hear from Lee the coach how amazing our children are. If you missed out on buying a skipping rope, we can help. If you put the correct cash in an envelope with your child's name, class (so we can give a KS1 or KS2 skipping rope) and colour of handles they would like - and hand in to your class teacher we will put a final order in next Wednesday (12th May)

KS1 ropes are light blue with pink, orange, green or red handles.

KS2 are dark blue with pink, blue, green, red or orange handles.

All children's ropes are £5.00 Adults ropes are available for £6.00 Family skipping ropes (4.5m) £7.00 Double Dutch ropes £12.00. Please only put the correct change in the envelopes. The order will be sent off at the end of the school day on Wednesday 12th May.

**SATs - Good luck!**

Next week our year 6 children will be tackling the challenge of the SATS. Year 2 will be completing their SATs over the next few weeks too. We are extremely proud of all of our children as they could not have worked harder over the past few months. We would like to thank all parents and guardians for your support over this year as without it it would have made our lives a little trickier. Good luck to the whole of year 2 and year 6.

**Hot Choc Friday - It's back!**

Over the next few weeks we will be catching up with our Above and Beyond children who have not had their Hot Choc Friday due to the lack of space caused by the building work.

**Scooters - Please Donate.**

We have introduced scooters to our playtime and lunchtime. We have 3. If you have an old scooter gathering dust and would like to donate it for pupils to play on at break and lunch we would be massively grateful. Please bring them into the front office. If you have any old helmets that your child has grown out of these would also be very welcome.

**School Photographs - Rescheduled.**

Please accept our apologies for the cancellation of the photographer who was due to come into school this week. Photographs have now been rearranged for Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May.

**Attendance**

Can we please reiterate that holidays in term time will not be authorised. Holidays exceeding 10 or more sessions will result in a fixed penalty notice as explained below. There are many valid reasons for taking your child on holiday, however as a school, we are required

Penalties for unauthorised absence		
Timeline	One child	Two Children
Paid within 21 days	£60 per parent as per the definition in the education act, section 576	£60 per child = £120 per parent
After 21 days and before 28 days	£120 per parent	£120 per child = £240 per parent
After 28 days	A summons to appear before the Magistrates' Court on the grounds you have failed to secure your child's regular attendance	A summons to appear before the Magistrates' Court on the grounds you have failed to secure your child's regular attendance

**National Child Measurement Programme**

Details have been sent to all parents of reception and year 6 regarding the national child measurement programme. If you are happy for your child to take part in this programme no action needs to be taken, if you wish to withdraw your child, details are included in the letter. School health are due to come into school on Monday 20th June.

### **Families Online Magazine**

Below is a link to the Cheshire Families online magazine. The magazine is full of useful information and activities for parents including local family events.

[Families Magazine](#)

### **Safeguarding**

- Mr Sharpe (headteacher) DSL - Designated Safeguard Lead
- Mrs Millward (Safeguard Lead)
- Mrs Bernard (assistant headteacher and Y4 class teacher) Deputy DSL
- Ms Stones (assistant headteacher and Y6 teacher) Deputy DSL
- Mrs Wootton (Y3 class teacher) Deputy DSL

### **Wellbeing**

Promoting children and young people's wellbeing is a key part of keeping them safe, helping them develop and ensures they have positive outcomes into adulthood.

Mental health plays a key role in a child's overall wellbeing and can be affected by various factors. As a school we value the importance of creating an open environment where children can talk about how they feel without judgement.

Every child at The Quinta knows that they can talk to any trusted adult in school about any worries, concerns or questions they may have. Just knowing there is someone to turn to when they need to can have a positive impact on a child's mental health. Some children may not be able to express themselves or communicate clearly or easily and they may require more help and patience. Some methods that may work could be drawing, listening to or creating music or writing their thoughts and feelings down in a journal. They may want to share these or keep them private.

If your child needs support with their mental health and wellbeing explain to your child that some days we may feel better or worse and there are strategies that can help. The NSPCC has lots of online resources that can help however staying physically active can have positive effects on mental health as it can reduce stress, anxiety and increase self-esteem and a steady routine can help provide stability in a child's life, which can give children and young people a sense of security and help reduce stress. If you have any concerns or need support with the emotional wellbeing of your child, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.

### **COVID-19**

This week we had 1 positive Covid case.

Cheshire East have today released updated risk assessment guidance which we will be using to update ours. It will be part of next week's Download.

## Reminders

### After School Club

Just a polite reminder that The Quinta after school club closes each night at 6pm and all children should be collected before this time.

## Dates

[Click here for holiday dates](#)

### May/June 2022

**9th - 12th May** Y6 SATs week  
**13th May** Non uniform day for red team  
**18th May** Y6 Watersports Astbury Mere  
**24th May** Art Exhibition 3:20 to 6:15  
**25th May** PTA family bingo night  
**26th May** Tempest Class Photos  
**27th May** Jubilee Celebrations  
**30th May - 3rd June** Half term  
**6th June** INSET day  
**15th June** Y5 Watersports Astbury Mere  
**17th June** PTA Summer Disco  
**20th June Sports Day** Y1-2 Morning Y3-6 Afternoon  
**21st June** Early Years Sports Day  
**24th June** Sports Day Reserve date  
**1st July** Non Uniform Day Whole School for tombola donation.  
**4th - 8th July** Y6 to PGL  
**6th July** Town Sports  
**11th July** End of year reports  
**16th July** Summer Fayre (Saturday)  
**22nd July** Last Day of Summer Term

## **The Quinta Senior Leadership Team**

## **Who to contact**

<b>Member of staff</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>What areas can they support me with?</b>	<b>How to contact/where they can be found</b>
Mr W Sharpe	Headteacher	Escalation of concerns. Any safeguarding concerns.	<a href="mailto:head@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk">head@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk</a>
Mrs L Gratton	Assistant Headteacher	Issues or concerns relating to EYFS and KS1.	<a href="mailto:lgratton@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk">lgratton@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk</a> Teaching in reception.
Ms S Stones	Assistant Headteacher	Issues or concerns relating to KS2. Any safeguarding concerns.	<a href="mailto:sstones@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk">sstones@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk</a> Teaching in Y6.

Mrs K Bernard	Assistant Headteacher	Issues pertaining to special educational needs. Any safeguarding concerns.	<a href="mailto:kbernard@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk">kbernard@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk</a> Teaching in Y4.
Mrs S Hoyle	School Business Manager	Any issues pertaining to the school office, preschool booking.	<a href="mailto:sbm@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk">sbm@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk</a> In the school office.
Mrs S Williams	Lead Teaching Assistant	First Aid	<a href="mailto:swilliams@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk">swilliams@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk</a> Teaching assistant in Y3.