



Queen's Park Post

22nd March 2024

... keeping school and parents in touch

Our value this half-term is

Forgiveness

"Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven."

Luke 6:37

Dear Parents,

On Wednesday, we had the first day of spring. We are hoping for some 'spring-like' weather as we move towards the Easter break. Don't forget we finish for Easter on Thursday 28th March.

Parental Engagement Dates for next term.

Our last session 'Celebrating our Crown' session is next week. I really hope you have enjoyed coming into school to see our wider curriculum. We are so proud of the curriculum we offer our children here at Queen's Park. This was recognised by Ofsted last year. They said, *'All pupils, including children in the Reception class, enjoy an ambitious and aspirational curriculum which provides challenge and encourages resilience.'*

• Thursday 28th March—Year 1

We are illustrators

Thank you so much to all our families that came to our Art Gallery last week. The hall was full to the brim with proud parents/grandparents/friends admiring our children's art work. Your support is always really appreciated. I know the children were so excited to show off their work. Thank you to Miss Hughes for pulling it all together.

Queen's Park Orchestra

Mr Houltram and I had the pleasure of joining our band at the Town Hall on Wednesday night to enjoy a celebration of music. They played with other orchestras but also had the opportunity to listen to the St Helens Senior Orchestra. I hope this inspires them to continue with their musical journey. We were both so proud of them. Our orchestra meets every Friday after school with Mr McIntyre. We have spaces in the group for children from Y4 to Y6. If your child has started to play an instrument this year or are continuing on in Y5 or Y6, this is an amazing opportunity to play in an orchestra. If you are interested, please contact Mrs Ryan at the school office. There is a small weekly charge for this.

Rocksteady Concert

'We had our Spring Rocksteady concert this week and our kids really did ROCK! No fewer than four rock bands performed. We had drums, bass guitar, keyboards and vocals all on show and the children truly excelled. Well done everyone!

Year Four Football

7 boys from our Y4 cohort went to a large school football tournament this week. They didn't win but they tried their very best, persevered and were excellent examples of sportsmanship. Well done to you all and we are so proud of you.



BTales

Yesterday, BTales came in and delivered their Easter performance to our school. I could hear the laughs and screams from my office. We love having them in school. They told the children all about the Easter story in the most creative way.

Social and Emotional Workshops

We are very lucky to have been selected to take part in social and emotional workshops led by Barnardo's. All our KS2 children will take part in monthly workshops with Gemma. They will look at how they acquire and apply knowledge, skills and attitudes to develop healthy identities, manage emotions and achieve personal and collective goals. The children really enjoyed their sessions this week and it works really well with the therapeutic approach we have in school.

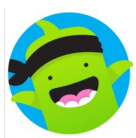
Year One Parents—Year One Class Worship is next Wednesday at 9am in the school hall

Qu'il est bon, qu'il est doux pour des freres de vivre ensemble et d'être unis

How good and how pleasant for us to live together in unity Psalm 133

Reading Plus Level Awards— Poppy A(Y1) David D, Curtis S (Y3) Alisha H, Isaac M (Y5) Jacob G, Harry R, Mason LJ, Grace M, Phoebe S (Y6)

Dojo Winners



QR	Esme G	PR	Ella M
Q1	Raiden M	P1	Amirah-Jo A
Q2	Ivy R	P2	Ilaisia PP
Q3	Lola T	P3	McKenzie T
Q4	Fifi D	P4	Lily-Rose P
Q5	Emily G	P5	Cathrine MO
Q6	Ava P	P6	Amy T

Star Badge Winners



QR	Charlotte L	PR	Nicholas P
Q1	Whole class	P1	Whole class
Q2	Savannah D	P2	Alfie C
Q3	Naeto M	P3	Matty L
Q4	Caysie S	P4	Noel B
Q5	Evelyn D	P5	Frankie H
Q6	Holly G	P6	McKayla S

Important Dates for Spring 2:

Y1 Class Worship	Wednesday 27th March—9am
Y1 Celebrate our Crown	Thursday 28th March—2:30pm
Thursday 28th March	School closes for the Easter Break
Monday 15th April	School re-opens for Summer



22nd march **1957** "All Shook Up" single released by Elvis Presley



Safeguarding tip of the week

Children are spending more and more time online. The internet and social media have so many positives but also, so many risks. It is our job to teach the children how to behave responsibly online and to keep themselves safe. Today's leaflet is all about sharing kindness online. Please share the hints and tips with your child.

Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility



"Jesus said, 'I am the light of the world.'"



Whole School Attendance			
PR	92.1%	QR	94.1%
P1	92.9%	Q1	94.7%
P2	94.9%	Q2	95.2%
P3	95.8%	Q3	92.7%
P4	96%	Q4	92.5%
P5	95.7%	Q5	96.3%
P6	94.2%	Q6	93.6%

316 children had perfect attendance last week! Can we beat this next week?

We can do it!



Attendance Update

We work really hard each and every week to make sure every class beats our **school target of 97.5%** - this will help us to success

Our attendance last week

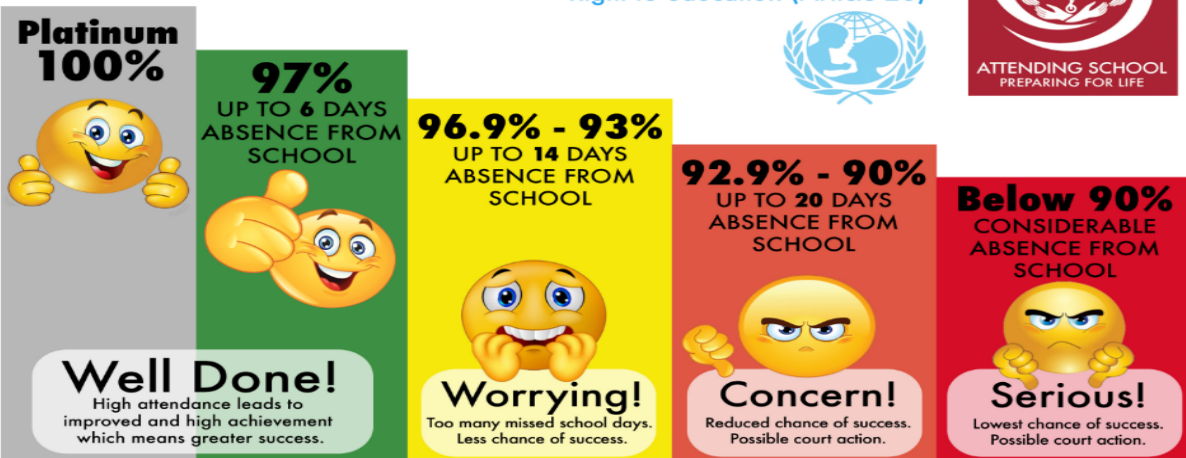
91.9%

Our attendance this year so far

94.4%

WHAT IS YOUR ATTENDANCE?

Right to education (Article 28)



There are 175 non school days a year.
That's plenty of time to go on visits, holidays, shopping and other appointments.

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10 Ways You Can SHARE KINDNESS ONLINE

Last year, around one in five young people aged 10-16 in England and Wales admitted experiencing online bullying; most commonly being insulted or sworn at, or having hurtful messages sent about them. To someone who's being bullied, the world can seem like a bleak, negative place – but just one kind word can be a ray of hope: a turning point that brightens their day and refreshes their perspective. That's why 'One Kind Word' is the theme of Anti-Bullying Week 2021. We're supporting this year's event by bringing you ten top tips for beating online bullying by replacing it with kindness.

1 PRAISE WHERE IT'S DUE

Sometimes a friend or relative might post online about something they're proud to have achieved: maybe an exam they've passed, a new skill they've learned or a task they've completed. Celebrate their hard work and determination by being kind enough to praise them for it publicly.

6 SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION

If somebody that you know has done something positive or shown kindness themselves, go online and thank them with a message or a post. Expressing your gratitude costs nothing and showing someone that you appreciate them will really make them feel good.

2 REACH OUT

It's not always easy to tell what kind of mood someone is in just from what they post online. Simply dropping somebody a message to say 'hi', to ask if they're OK or to tell them that you're thinking of them could totally make their day.

7 BE UNDERSTANDING

Showing empathy towards others is an act of online kindness which often gets overlooked. If you notice that someone you know is upset, drop them a message. Sometimes people just need someone wise to listen to them and understand their situation.

3 RECOMMEND FUN THINGS

If there's something you enjoy doing online – perhaps you play a particular game, or you've found a really cool site – share it with someone you think will enjoy it. Even recommending a film or TV show you think they'll like can bring a little happiness to someone who really needs it.

8 SHARE INSPIRATIONAL POSTS

When you see something online that inspires you or makes you feel happy, share it with people you know. A spot-on quotation, a beautiful photo or an uplifting video can lift someone's spirits and help them to feel better about life.

4 OFFER TO HELP

Sometimes you might see a friend or family member posting a question online or asking for help with something they can't do themselves. Don't just ignore it – if you can help, get in touch. Something that's difficult for them might be no trouble for you!

9 THINK BEFORE COMMENTING

Thinking before we act can be just as important as acting in the first place. Taking a second to consider what you're saying in advance could stop you from posting something negative, hurtful or offensive – even if you don't mean to. It's better to post positively or not post at all.

5 POST POSITIVELY

Lots of people seem to go online purely to complain about things or be negative. Just because you're communicating online (and not face to face) doesn't mean you can't be positive, though! Post about things that make you happy and that you're thankful for. It could brighten someone else's day.

10 LIKE, LOVE AND ENGAGE

If somebody posts something that you like on social media, don't just scroll past – take the time to like it, love it or leave an appreciative comment! Reacting positively to other people's posts might seem like a small gesture but could mean a lot to them.

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