



Newsletter

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Dates:

Break up:

Thursday 24th October

Return to School:

Monday 4th November

Training days:

Friday 25th October

Dates for the Diary:

Halloween Disco

Thursday 24th October
from 7pm—9pm (tickets
on sale from Finance
for £2 per ticket)

Achievement evening

On Wednesday 27th November we will be holding our Achievement Evening for Year 12, 13 and 14 students. The evening is to celebrate and award students their certificates for the qualifications they gained in the summer.

Dear Parents / Carers

The school gained some **fabulous exam results** over the summer. We are all very proud of all our students and **thank parents for their help in supporting**. Some site work has been completed to ensure our buildings work better for our students. Some minor building works will continue over the next half term until February 2020 to further improve the school.

The planned academisation of the school to **The Education Impact Trust** is planned for April 2020.

Five **Activall reaction boards** have been installed to promote students socialisation, concentration and gross motor skills. Our Sports Leaders have been involved in creating a media video with the company.



Our **new website** (<https://queensburysch.com/>) has launched and it now looks very different. A weekly news feed shows what is going on in our lessons and class groups. What students are studying in each lesson, is much clearer, with further developments planned. The Student Council has also set up more formally with their own page.

The next phase is to look at the **electronic platform to communicate with parents** and families. We all lead busy lives and want a way to communicate more quickly with families (*Tablet and Phone friendly*). Mr Wilson is looking for any parents who would like to be part of a **pilot focus group** starting in the new year. If you are interested, please leave your name and details with reception.

Finally, **special thanks** to our students and staff for celebrating Diwali and producing some outstanding work. *Mr C Wilson*



SCHOOL EVENTS/TRIPS

Textiles trip to David's Bridal shop


A select group of pupils received first hand knowledge of the ins and outs of David Bridal shop Birmingham.



Students were taken behind the scenes and learnt about bridal dress design, how fittings take place and even got to try on a dress!




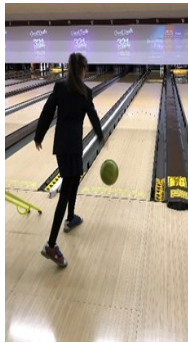
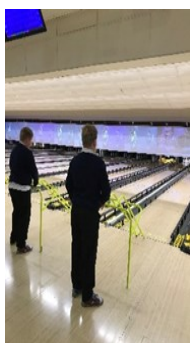
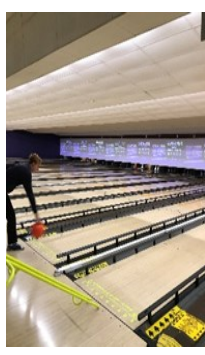
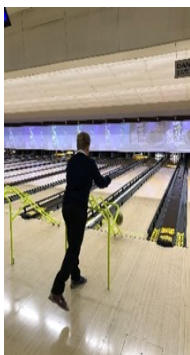
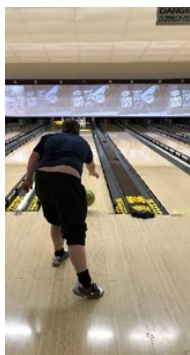
7V students have been busy making Halloween Pumpkin Pinatas. Students enjoyed making their paper mache sculptures - but the real fun came when they were getting the sweeties out!!



=  As part of our Numeracy lesson we went 'Bowling' to practice our


 10. We worked in small groups and took turns and

 communicated what we needed to do to get a strike.



Queensbury v Langley Football Match

A Queensbury team made up of year 7 and some year 8 pupils played the annual football match against Langley School on Monday 7th November at Queensbury School.

The match was played in a competitive but friendly spirit with Langley coming out 8-6 winners with goals from Jak, Tyrell and Adnan. Sports leaders from Queensbury Andrew, John, Callum and Bethany did an excellent job officiating and helping to organise the fixture.

Some pupils from Queensbury watched the game and cheered the team on. A return game at Langley will take place hopefully next year

Bursary Item

Is your son/daughter in the 6th Form?

Are you having difficulties paying for:

- Transport including bus fares?
- Uniform?
- PE Kit?
- Stationary?
- Activities for your son/daughter to do on the Personal Development day?
- Providing money for community access?

Then apply for the 16 -19 Bursary.

You can do this by filing in the 16-19 bursary form. You can get a form by either downloading it from the school website or collecting a form from reception.

Green Token Giving

Queensbury School would like to extend its gratitude and appreciation to Asda Minworth for their kindness and generosity. We would like to thank them for their donation of £500, from the Green Token scheme.

This will go towards a cafe for 6th Form which will assist our vulnerable students, allowing them to build skills ready for the real world of work in a safe, familiar, secure environment.

Queensbury School is delighted that Asda and its community have put our students first.





Queensbury celebrates World Mental Health Day 2019

On Thursday 10th October 2019 many students and staff wore yellow to show that mental health difficulties are not something to hide. We also raised £96.90 for the charity, Young Minds.

We had a competition within school for students to present 5 things that make them happy at Queensbury. The most creative have had tea and cake with Mr Wilson.



Growth Mindset and Mindfulness Parent Workshop- Thursday 17th October 2019.

We were delighted to offer a parent workshop on some key skills that we are developing within Queensbury. Mr Ali shared his passion for growth mindset thinking- one that recognises that we can get better and improve. He shared some tips on how we can encourage young people to recover from set-backs and see mistakes as something positive. Miss McNerney shared an exciting new program called 'The Mindfulness In Schools Project' that is also being delivered within school. The program supports students in becoming more self-aware and able to deal with life's wobbles.

A big thank you to all parents that came along.

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Mindfulness in Schools Project

Diwali Celebrations

On Friday 18th October Queensbury School celebrated Diwali. Students created a range of beautiful Art works including mixed media collage, acrylic canvas painting, clay tea lights, wire and tissue painting lanterns

and Rangoli chalk art. Students had the option to have their hands decorated with Henna and samosas were on sale at break.



I would like to say thank you to local Councillor Mick Brown for coming to our Assembly and awarding our pupils for their hard work. Mr Brown commented:

"It was a real pleasure to be invited into @QueensburySch today to meet some of the amazing staff and inspiring pupil's to help present the prizes for the fantastic artwork completed



by the students as part of their #Diwali2019 celebrations"





DON'T BIN YOUR PUMPKIN

SHARE WITH OUR WILDLIFE FRIENDS

Place the top of the pumpkin in a
tree to act as a bird feeder.

Squirrels, hedgehogs, foxes
and badgers love munching
away on pumpkins.


**LOVE
FOOD**
hate waste



EAT ME!

PETRIFYING PIZZA

INGREDIENTS

- 1 x Co-op thin and crispy margherita pizza
- 3 x Co-op pimento stuffed green olives
- 7 x Co-op pitted black olives
- 3 x Slices Co-op pepperoni
- 1 x Co-operative green pepper
- 125g x Co-operative ball mozzarella

METHOD*

You'll need an adult to help with this recipe!

1. Take the pizza out of its packaging.
2. Ask an adult to cut the pizza into quarters.

Scary Eyeballs

3. Put the green olives onto one quarter of the pizza (in pairs, so they look like eyes!)
4. Ask an adult to cut one of the black olives into strips.
5. Lay the strips above the eyeballs so they look like scary eyebrows!

Creepy Spiders

6. Put the pepperoni slices on the next quarter of the pizza. Make sure you leave room between each slice for the spider legs!
7. Ask an adult to slice the black olives into strips
8. Lay the olive strips next to the pepperoni to make creepy spider legs!

Monster Hands

9. Ask an adult to slice the green pepper into monstrous hand shapes.
10. Put the hands onto the next quarter of pizza.

Spooky Ghosts

11. Ask an adult to slice the ghost shapes from the mozzarella and eyes and a mouth from a black olive.
12. Put the ghosts onto the last quarter of pizza and add the eyes and mouth
13. Cook the pizza according to the instructions on the box.

SERVES: 4

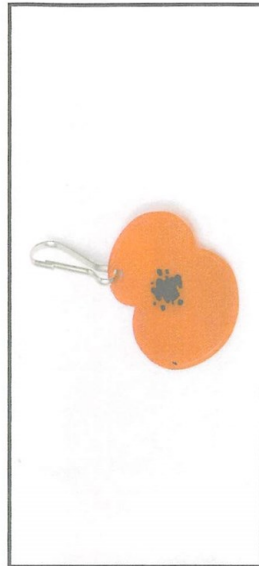
PREPARATION : 15 minutes

COOKING TIME : 15 minutes

*Adult supervision required



Wristband - Suggested Donation: 50p



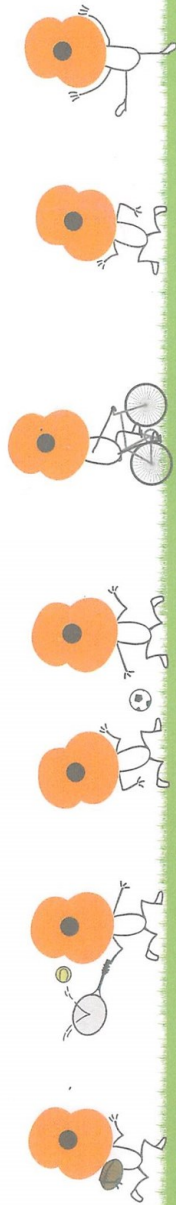
Reflector - Suggested Donation: 50p



Friendship Bracelet - Suggested Donation: £1.00



Snap Band - Suggested Donation: £1.00



Please Support The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal



Parenthood...

The most rewarding job in
the world

And also the toughest

Need some advice about your
child's behaviour or emotions?

Contact YoungMinds'
Parents Helpline

0808 802 5544

youngminds.org.uk/parents



YOUNGmINDS

GENERAL INFORMATION

BREAKFAST CLUB (Monday – Friday) 8.15am - 8.45am



Toast 10p per slice

Tea 20p

Hot Chocolate 20p

Juice 20p



"Magic Breakfast"

Queensbury have joined the "Magic Breakfast" team, which ensures no child is too hungry to learn. Magic Breakfast gives every child the opportunity to have a bagel during our extended registration lesson, free of charge. For more information on how this is funded please follow the link to www.magicbreakfast.com.

PLEASE NOTE - There is NO Staff supervision in School before 8.15am. Students must not be in School unaccompanied before this time.

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Also, if your child is being collected by a different family member/friend please notify Reception.

Without prior permission we are unable to let your child off school premises until we have contacted you.

This is run separately to our wrap around breakfast club that commences at 8:15a.m until 8:45a.m.

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