

Thursday 3rd April 2025

Dear Parents & Carers,

End of Term Letter

As we reach the end of spring term, I wanted to take the opportunity to share with you some of the highlights and achievements by pupils at Quest Primary this term.

Pupils continue to do some fantastic learning in class. We have had a school-wide focus on arithmetic skills and across all classes are seeing pupils' mathematical fluency and confidence increase. Our infant classes continue to make excellent progress in their phonics and reading, and across KS2 children's use of subject specific vocabulary has stood out as a key feature of their successful learning in subjects such as science, history and RE. All our KS2 classes are now eagerly learning Latin and enjoying the opportunity to make links to English as well as History. Summer term will see the national testing period for pupils in Reception, Year 1, Year 4 and Year 6 and I am confident that pupils in those year groups will be as well prepared as possible, ready to demonstrate their learning and achieve well from their starting points.

Alongside the academic, there have been plenty of opportunities to engage in extra-curricular activities and events which support a child's personal development this term. These have included participating in World Book Day, fundraising for Comic Relief and World Down Syndrome Day, experiencing Zumba and Yoga workshops in Children's Mental Health Week, attending our Careers Fair and performing in our Rocksteady music concert. You may have seen Yoga added to our clubs timetable following the success of the workshops, and may have met Nicola at our Parents Evening where she was offering children the opportunity to try it out. Alongside this our football and netball teams have been playing matches in their respective leagues, enjoying a mixture of success, but always representing Quest Primary to the best of their ability.

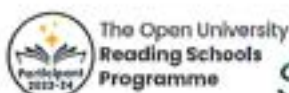
Our Pupil Parliament committees have been active and have successfully held their second litter pick collecting 32 bags of rubbish from the alleyway between Quest Primary and The Quest Academy. They have also met with Hilary West from Selsdon Baptist Church to discuss their local area; and representatives of the pupil parliament from Y5 & Y6 met with Natasha Irons, MP for Croydon East to bring to her attention issues that affect our local area.

Our work to develop Zones of Regulation across the whole school continues and Ms Eynon has been instrumental in leading this work. The children have been introduced this term to the idea of growth mindset with teachers following this work up in PSHE lessons. There have also been five parent

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workshops focused on providing parents with practical ideas and strategies about how to use the zones at home, which have been well received.

The PTFA have supported a number of fundraising events this term including the Valentine's Disco, our Surprise a Superwoman event and today's Easter Egg Hunt. A huge thank you as always to all who support these events, and to Mrs Filus as PTFA Chair and Mrs Childs as school liaison.

When we return after Easter, I will be sharing with you some of the exciting events lined up for summer term including information about our new Citizenship Awards for KS2, a dyslexia workshop for parents and our mini-marathon event. Our annual school survey will also be sent to all parents & carers at the start of next term.

Accompanying this letter, is our newly revived newsletter, where class teachers have shared with you an oversight of some of the activities and learning the children have taken part in. I hope you will enjoy reading it and thank Mrs Matthews and Miss Greenway for their efforts in producing it.

I wish you all a happy and restful Easter break. **School reopens on Tuesday 22nd April** and I look forward to seeing you all then for the start of the summer term.

Yours sincerely



Ms J Stawman
Principal