



# QUEENSMEAD PRIMARY ACADEMY

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## Purple Post

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### Principal's Message

*We want our school to be a place where we are safe: to learn, have fun and work hard. A place where we are kind and mindful of everyone and have positive attitudes for our bright futures.*

*We've come to the end of a very short term but even though it was only 4 weeks, we've managed to cram in such a lot of exciting and engaging learning opportunities as well as charity and dress-up days, trips and visitors in school. I think we're all ready for the 2 week break for the Easter holiday!*

*It was wonderful to see so many of you in school over the last half term, enjoying finding out about your child's learning and having fun with such activities as the Bear Hunt, Craft mornings and even times tables! Parents evenings this week were really well-attended but if you missed an appointment then please do get in touch so we can arrange to meet up to share all the positives about your child's progress and learning.*

*Have a lovely restful break and see you back in school on the 8<sup>th</sup> April.*

*Liz Latham*

### Dinner Dates

Here are the dates for booking your child's dinner:

For wk beginning 8/4/24 book by Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Mar

New menu's start after Easter

For wk beginning 15/4/24 book by Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Apr

For wk beginning 22/4/24 book by Sun 14<sup>th</sup> Apr

## Honours Awards Spring 2

*A huge congratulations to all of our Honours Award-winners - we're very proud!*

*Foundation 1 - Oskar  
Nadia Shireen - Myra  
Nick Sharratt Sophie  
R. Sirdeshpande- Lea  
Oliver Jeffers- Nevaeh  
Tom Percival - Maya  
Anna Kemp- Alisha  
Serena Patel- Xai-Yon  
Roald Dahl- Jaxon  
Kate Wilkinson- Oumar  
Radiya Hafiza- Alexander  
Onjali Rauf- McDaniel  
Benjamin Zephaniah- Maddison  
Sita Brahmachari - Jeremy  
Polly Ho-Yen - Lara*

'For Creative and Talented Skills'

### Dates for Your Diary

First day of Summer term	8 <sup>th</sup> April
Yr 4&5 Boys Football @ New College	15 <sup>th</sup> April
New Fencing club starts	15 <sup>th</sup> April
Y4 &5 trip to De Montfort Hall	23 <sup>rd</sup> April
Y1 trip to Newtown Linford	24 <sup>th</sup> April
Y6 additional swimming starts	26 <sup>th</sup> April
Yr 4&5 Girls Football New College	29 <sup>th</sup> April
Yr 4 Residential	22 – 24 <sup>th</sup> May

### New Fencing Club!

We are delighted to announce that we have teamed up



with Premier Education Group who have been in school this week delivering a fencing 'taster day'- pupils from Y3-6 really enjoyed learning this new and exciting skill. To help them develop further, Premier Education Group are offering an after-school club – look out for the Microsoft Forms to show your interest in this club. Places are limited to 20 so be quick if you'd like your child to take part! It's on a Monday after school and there is a small charge.

## Class Assembly Dates

Here are the class assembly dates for you to plan ahead! Class assemblies are always on a Tuesday at 2.50pm in the main hall. We look forward to seeing you there!

Anna Kemp	16 <sup>th</sup> April
Radiya Hafiza	7 <sup>th</sup> May
Oliver Jeffers	21 <sup>st</sup> May
Rashmi Sirdeshpande	11 <sup>th</sup> June
Tom Percival	2 <sup>nd</sup> July

## **Battle of the Bands! Times Tables**

### **Rock Stars results!**

Well done to Kate Wilkinson class who were the winners this time! The next battle ends on 10<sup>th</sup> April so have a go to help your class to win! It's such a good way to have fun as well as learn those all-important times tables that help with progress in maths!

Class Average Correct	Class Total Correct
1 Kate Wilkinson	3,073
2 Radiya Hafiza	2,617
3 Serena Patel	976
4 Roald Dahl	494
5 Onjali Rauf	265
6 Benjamin Zephaniah	245
7 Polly Ho-Yen	40
8 Anna Kemp	25
9 Tom Percival	5

## Attendance Counts

Moments Matter. As you know, there is a link between regular attendance and success at school. It is also a legal requirement and we cannot stress enough the need to ensure that your child is in school, on time, every day. If you need support with this then please do contact the school office.

The overall attendance for this year is 94.6%. The classes with the highest attendance are Kate Wilkinson and Benjamin Zephaniah with 96.5%.

Very well done to both!

90 children also received a 100% certificate.

## **Breakfast Club change..**

For those of you who use our Breakfast Club facility, just to let you know that after Easter

you'll need to come right up to the hall door to drop off. The hall door will be closed until you arrive and let staff know that you are there.

## **Uniform**

Thank you so much for your continued support with making sure that your child is in the correct uniform every day – please do check the Uniform Policy if you're not sure. The Easter holiday is a great time to have a clear out and check that everything is ready for the start of the Summer term.

## **Residentials**

The summer term is always exciting with 3 Year groups going on residential experiences.

Year 6 visit John's Lee Wood, a local scout camp near Bradgate Park and Year 4 stay at another scout camp at Ullesthorpe. By



using scout camps we manage to keep costs down and with staff doing all the hard work (cooking, cleaning and running the activities as well as the shopping!) we really do offer great value for money as well as very tired staff at the end!

This year again we will be offering Year 5 a camping trip to Mablethorpe where they can explore the beach and stay in tents! Very hard work but great fun too!

We hope you have a great holiday and look forward to welcoming you back in school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April.

