



# 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.*

*I hope you all had a super half term break and are now ready, refreshed and revitalised for the long stint of 9 weeks up until the Christmas break!*

*As you can see from this newsletter there are lots of dates for your diaries to make sure that you don't miss out on the many things we have for both children and families over the next few weeks - lots of opportunities to come into school to share your child's learning as well as to have fun and enjoy events and activities with us. Please also check out the website for photos of these events!*

*Liz Latham*

### **Festival Family Club at the Brite Centre**

The Spark Arts are looking for families to sign up for their Family Festival Club with the first family get together taking place on 29<sup>th</sup> October 4:30 – 6pm at the Brite Centre. Family Festival Club members will be able to take advantage of this special offer:

**Field trip** on 9 Nov 2019 11.00am- 4.00pm to the Easy Saturday Family event at LCB Depot Leicester. Free and exciting arts activities for all ages. Day full of fun!

Sparks will organise and pay for the transport from the Brite Centre (10.30am) to LCB Depot and back.

More information on how to sign up follows at the end of the newsletter.

### **Dates for your diaries:**

Family Pumpkin Carving	28 <sup>th</sup> October
Halloween Disco	29 <sup>th</sup> October
School Photographs	30 <sup>th</sup> October
Yr 1 Blessed Sacrament Church	31 <sup>st</sup> October
Yr 2 St Annes Church	4 <sup>th</sup> November
F2 Phonics Workshop 9 – 10am	4 <sup>th</sup> November
Yr 4 Gurdwara Temple	5 <sup>th</sup> November
Yr 5 Jain Centre	5 <sup>th</sup> November
F2 - Twycross Zoo	6 <sup>th</sup> November
Parent Evening - Late	6 <sup>th</sup> November
Parent Evening - Early	7 <sup>th</sup> November
F1 Phonics Workshop 2:30 – 3:15	12 <sup>th</sup> November
Yr 4 Brite Centre	12 <sup>th</sup> November
F1 Phonics Workshop 9:15 – 10	14 <sup>th</sup> November
Yr 1 Beaumanor Hall	14 <sup>th</sup> November
Flu immunisations (F2 – Yr6)	21 <sup>st</sup> November
Yr 6 Beaumanor Hall	2 <sup>nd</sup> December
Yr 5 National Justice Museum	3 <sup>rd</sup> December

### **Halloween Disco**

We are looking forward to the Halloween discos next week. The Eventerprise team have been very busy planning, shopping and creating tickets. We look forward to seeing all of the wonderful costumes on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October.

Years 1, 2 & 3 starts at 3:20pm – 4:20pm

Years 4, 5 & 6 starts at 4:40pm – 5:40pm

### **Class Assembly Dates**

Here are the class assembly dates for you to plan ahead! Class assemblies are always on a Wednesday at 2.50pm in the main hall.

SF Said	20 <sup>th</sup> November
JK Rowling	27 <sup>th</sup> November
David Walliams	4 <sup>th</sup> December
Shaun Tan	15 <sup>th</sup> January
Roald Dahl	29 <sup>th</sup> January
Roger Hargreaves	12 <sup>th</sup> February
Oliver Jeffers	4 <sup>th</sup> March
Valerie Thomas	18 <sup>th</sup> March
Eric Carle	1 <sup>st</sup> April
Mini Grey	6 <sup>th</sup> May

### **Family Pumpkin Carving Event.**

Our Family Pumpkin Carving event will take place on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October after school. Sign up now at the office to ensure you don't miss out. £1.50 per family.



## Family Learning – Reading Together

We will be running a six week family learning course starting on October 31<sup>st</sup> from 9am – 11am. This will be an opportunity for you to find out what you can do to help develop your child's reading. You will have the chance to explore how you can make reading fun and interactive. If you would like to sign up, please contact the office. Places are limited so make sure you don't miss out!

## Aldi's Kit for Schools Stickers

We are collecting the Aldi Team GB stickers. Please help us to collect 300 stickers to complete our poster in the hall and we'll receive an exclusive sports kit plus a chance to win £20,000. When you spend £30 you will receive a sticker from Aldi staff to bring into school. Thanks for your support with this.



## Parents Evening

Parents Evening will be taking place on:  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 3:30pm – 7pm  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November 3:30pm – 5:30pm.

This is your opportunity to speak to your child's class teacher about how they have settled in and also gives you a chance to ask any questions about how you can help to support your child's learning at home.

Look out for the letters and sign up sheet going onto the classroom doors next week to book your appointment.

## School Photographs

School photographs will be taken on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October. Please ensure that you have returned the academy photo permission slip otherwise we are unable to take your child's photo.

## Bird of Prey Visit

This week we were joined by Mr Alan Ames, the founder of Eagle Heights in Kent, who held special assemblies

for the children to learn about the ecology and conservation of Birds of Prey. He brought in 3 wonderful birds, and the children were very excited to see the Eagle flying around the hall. If you paid for your child to have their photograph taken with a bird of prey. We will hopefully have the photos back next week.



## Skateboarding

This week we had a visit from Team Rubicon who gave Year 4, 5 and 6 a skateboarding lesson. The children were taught to ride a skateboard and also flip a skateboard over. The children had a fantastic experience and are looking forward to the next time.



the **spark**  
festival

# Festival Family Club

AT **BRITE** Centre

The Spark Festival is coming to the Brite Centre for a Family Festival Weekend and **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

Come to our regular family workshops with local artist Helen Stirland to plan and deliver the Family festival weekend.

**First family get together will take place w/c 28 October**  
Family Festival weekend 15-16 Feb 2020

**Suitable for:** adults and children 8+  
Refreshments and positive vibes available.

**Sign up today** or email Liga:  
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