

QUEEN'S CRESCENT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As another term draws to a close, I wanted to take this opportunity to thank our whole community for the support and patience shown during what has been another incredibly challenging term. Once again, the staff at Queen's Crescent have adapted to last minute announcements with a calm and enthusiastic approach, providing a blend of remote learning for those children learning at home and face to face learning for those in school. Our parents and carers have also been magnificent, adapting, once again, to the challenges of remote education, patiently working with us to ensure the children learning at home have access to the same curriculum offered to those in school; in many cases juggling remote learning with other responsibilities and commitments. Your hard work and dedication in this regard has not gone unnoticed by the staff and we thank and applaud you for all that you have done and continue to do to support your children at home. Also a big thank you to all of the families that provided the staff with the wonderful yummy treats earlier this term - it certainly was a wonderful morale boost. And finally, thank you and well done to all of the children for being so amazing, once again adapting to learning from home, not being able to see their friends on a daily basis and for being so resilient throughout such a challenging time. All of the staff at Queen's Crescent are looking forward to seeing you all very soon, once it is safe for us to all return to school.

Technology

If you are still in a position where by you are having difficulty accessing the remote learning offer due to a lack of technology, please contact the school office and we will be pleased to see how we are able to support further. We have laptops to allocate and may be able to support with access to the internet as well.

Outdoor Library (Hamilton)

As of the beginning of next term the outdoor library, which has been a huge success, will run from Hamilton class rather than the Smart Owl cabin. You will be able to exchange books from the door that forms part of the window running along the side of the classroom. The timetable for book change overs is as below.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
FS2	Y1	Y2	Y3,4,5,6

New Books

We have had a very exciting delivery of beautiful new books, kindly arranged by one of our parents through Moto GT. This is the second donation we have had from them in as many years. Some have been used to top up the reading scheme books for KS2 and the rest will either go in the library or will be homed in class and year group libraries to provide the children with new and exciting reading ready for their return to school.



Dinner Money Reminder

Please can we remind any parents or carers that have outstanding payments due for school lunches to deposit the required funds to clear any arrears on School Money as soon as possible. Many thanks for your help with this in advance.

Initial Teacher Training

At our school we recognise that part of our role is in training the teachers of the future and so are very proud to say that we work with Pickwick Learning to provide a school-centred training route into teaching. Our school is one of a growing number of partnership schools working with Pickwick to provide placements for trainee teachers in 2021-2022.

If you would like to train to become a teacher and would like to do so through Pickwick Learning, please use their [website](#) to find out all about our School Direct programme.

To be eligible you will need a degree and English, Maths and Science GCSEs at grade C (level 4) or above.

Find: <https://find-postgraduate-teacher-training.education.gov.uk/>

Apply: <https://www.apply-for-teacher-training.service.gov.uk/candidate>

For more information on Initial Teacher Training (ITT) please visit the Pickwick Learning website www.pltsa.co.uk/school-direct-itt, come along to a Pickwick Introduction Meet and Greet sessions or contact:

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James Essam
Head of School



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linkproject@communityfirst.org.uk

Your local Link Scheme needs you!

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DATES FOR DIARY

Friday 12 th February	-	Last Day of Term 3
Monday 22 nd February	-	TD Day
Tuesday 23 rd February	-	First Day of Term 4

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