



Thank you to everyone who helped to make our birthday celebrations such a success. It was a truly amazing day!

Queniborough Bonfire

November 4th

Entry is by pre-purchased ticket only.
Available from S&J News.

FOQS will be selling foam lightsabres for £3 each (2 for £5). Available from the school gates before the bonfire.

Looking at Learning

All parents are invited into their child's classroom for 30 minutes after school on **Tuesday 28th November**. This is an opportunity for your child to show you their work and what they have been learning in class.

**PARENT CONSULTATIONS
NEXT WEEK IN SCHOOL HALL**

Friday 17th November

WEAR YOUR SPOTS

Ideas and Inspiration

Get everyone to dress up in spots for the day – from pupils and teachers to caretakers and catering staff!

GO SPOTTY!

Here are a few ideas to get you started.

£1

CUSTOMISE CLOTHES

How about turning an old t-shirt spotty? You could stick or sew on multi-coloured spots, buttons, pom poms or sequins, or go spotty with the help of fabric pens or round stickers.

GO FOR FANCY DRESS

Dalmatians, ladybirds, clowns, Minnie Mouse... What spotty fancy dress can you find or make? Add the Pudsey face mask for your own Spotacular Pudsey party.

WHAT'S IN YOUR WARDROBE?

Root through your cupboards and drawers for spotty jumpers, pyjamas, t-shirts, skirts, leggings, dresses and trousers!

DECORATE YOURSELF

Have fun with face paint and sensational spotty nails!

ACCESSORISE WITH SPOTS

Get all spotted up with ties, hats, scarves, shoes, socks, hair decorations... Finish off your outfit with Pudsey ears, this year's must-have accessory!

TURN THE WHOLE PLACE SPOTTY!

Spots on the gates and doors, spots on the noticeboards, spots on the windows and hanging from the ceiling... **Decorate until everyone's seeing spots!**



Queeniborough CE Primary School

Queeniborough LightFest

Friday 8th December

Following Songs and Santa

7pm

Children will parade through the village with lanterns to St. Mary's Church for the magical 'switching on' of the lights on their Class Christmas Trees

School Christmas Tree

The theme for our Christmas tree this year will be the school's 170th birthday / Victoriana. We would like each child to bring in a 'decoration' by Monday 27th November please. Maximum size 5cm! Children will be able to collect their baubles off the tree after school on the last day of term.



School Nurse Team will be offering parent drop in sessions at school to provide support and guidance regarding children's health and wellbeing concerns.

The dates and times of the sessions for this autumn term are:

Thursday 23rd November 9.30-10.30am

Parents will be offered a 10 minute consultation with a Healthy Together member of staff, and these can be booked through the school office.

Advice and support regarding health issues is also available on healthforkids.co.uk



Or by using the new CHAT Health text messaging service for parents on 07520 615382.

Tombola Donation Day for Songs & Santa

Friday 24th November

**All donations of sweets and chocolate
will be very welcome!**



Are you shopping on line for Christmas? Please could we encourage you to shop through 'Easyfundraising'? Many of the major retailers will make a donation to FOQS through this site. Every penny counts!

Traffic Issues.....again!

Please continue to be aware that traffic is **not expected to stop for you** when crossing outside school. The road is a narrowing and not a 'crossing'

*Please also be careful of uneven pavement/ driveway outside the Methodist Church as it has been **damaged** by a skip lorry.*

Following repeated complaints from local residents regarding parents' parking on & across driveways, they are being advised to **contact the Police directly**. Some village residents have recently been verbally abused by one of our parents.

Please do not use a driveways to turn around by reversing out across the pavement. We recently had a very serious '**near miss**'.

Christmas Jumper Day

We will be holding a Christmas Jumper Day on the last day of term.

Children are requested to make a minimum donation of £1 to wear a Christmas jumper.

Money raised will be donated to Rainbows Childrens' Hospice which has supported members of our school family recently.



Poppies are now on sale from the school office.

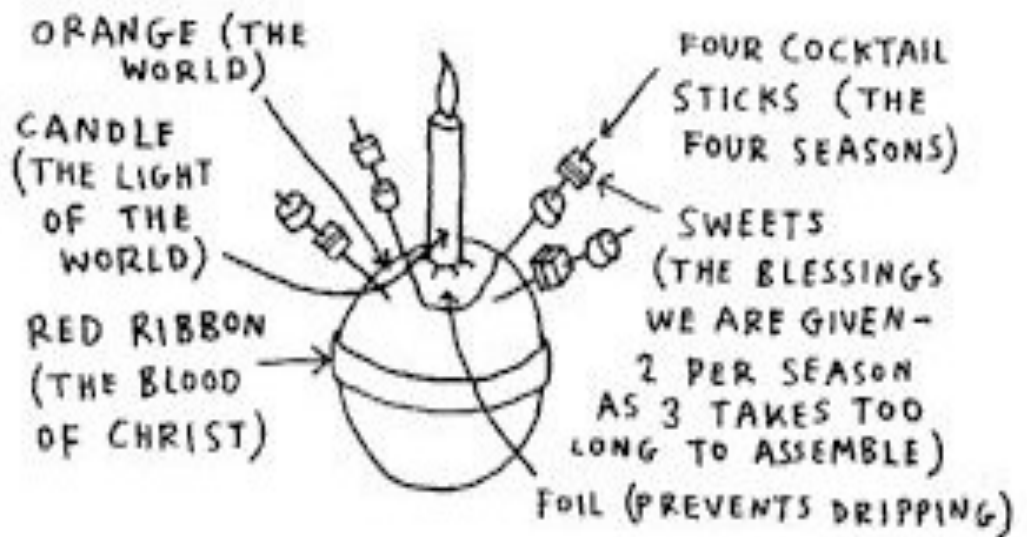


Also available:

Reflectors	50p
Wristbands	50p
Snap Rulers	£1.00
Friendship Bracelets	£1.00

HOW TO MAKE A CHRISTINGLE

Dec. 1st



THE TRADITIONAL VERSION

SCHOOL CLOSURES DUE TO SEVERE WEATHER

We will try and send a text by 7.30am to parents to inform you whether the school is closed or not!

We rarely close but please send suitable outdoor clothing and boots so children can play outside in the snow!!



Christingle Order Form

Please can I order Christingle bag/s at the cost of £3.00 each for the following child/children:

Child's name:..... Class:.....

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Total Number of bags required:..... Total amount paid £.....

I have paid via School Money: ☐ (preferred option from Mon 6th Nov)

I enclose the required amount: ☐

Payment can be made on line through the Schools Money system. All payments need to be made by **Friday 24th November 2017**. No orders will be taken after this date as the oranges need to be ordered.

Bags will be handed out on **Wednesday 29th November 2017**.

All bags will contain: an orange, candle, foil, red ribbon, cocktail sticks, small box of raisins and small bag of sweets.

Christingle Service

Our annual Christingle Service takes place on
Friday 1st December at 2.00pm

We like all children to make a Christingle for this special event. 'Ready to make' Christingle packs are available to purchase—see above.

Foundation Stage will receive Story Bibles and Year 5 will each receive a Good News Bible as a gift from St. Mary's Church. Parents Welcome.

Shoeboxes

Please don't forget to bring your shoeboxes into school by **Monday 6th November**.



HARVEST FESTIVAL GIFTS

Thank you to all families who made contributions to the Storehouse Food Bank as part of our Harvest Festival celebrations. Your gifts were very much appreciated by the team in Melton.



The
Key Stage 1
Christmas
Performance
will take place
on **Wednesday**
13th
December
2.00pm &
6.30pm .



'Be a Learner' at Queniborough School

Parents can book in to attend school for a morning. This is not an 'organised' open day but you will be able to come along on a 'normal' day to experience lessons around the school and be present at Time to Worship and Playtime. We hope this will give you, as parents, more of an insight and understanding into what our children encounter as part of their learning experiences at Queniborough School. You will be expected to 'learn' alongside the children and will experience 3 sessions in different classes throughout the morning. We will only be able to accommodate one parent at a time in a classroom and you will need to sign our confidentiality agreement which is issued to all our volunteers and staff. Please see Mrs Hardy if you would like to book in on any of the mornings below. We are offering different days of the week to enable all parents to access this initiative through the year if they want to.

MONDAY 13th NOV	FS	YEAR 3	YEAR 6
TUESDAY 21st NOV	YEAR 1	FS	YEAR 4
THURSDAY 23rd NOV	YEAR 5	YEAR 2	FS

Grandprayers!

Seven members of the congregation at St. Mary's' Church have each committed to praying for a class in the school. Children will be able to put their prayer requests in a box in the entrance hall. These can be anonymous or named. They will be collected each week. Parents can also do this using the slips available adjacent to the box.

Children's Ambassador

Mrs. Vanessa Dixon is one of our governors. She comes into school on a Tuesday lunchtime on alternate weeks and is available for any children who want to chat to her. This can be if they are worried about anything or they want to share some news with her!

ARTIFICIAL GRASS



Foundation Stage have a small area behind their shed which they would like to lay with artificial grass. Does anyone have expertise in laying the product and would be available to help us do this? We understand there is a process to preparing the ground before actually fitting the grass. Thank you.

Term Dates- Next Year

Wreake Valley Academy- Different Dates

The Leicestershire Local Authority issue the term dates. The dates are available at www.leics.gov.uk. There will be slight differences as schools can set their own teacher training days. Wreake Valley have changed their half term dates. Leicester City also have different term dates to Leicestershire. We appreciate this is difficult for parents but Wreake are the only school in the locality who have changed.

I telephoned Mr Pinnock about three weeks ago to express my concern about the impact on some of our families and he is aware that other local schools are all staying with Local Authority issued dates.

School Term Dates 2018-19

AUTUMN TERM

August Bank Holiday	Monday 27th August 2018
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School Opens:	Tuesday 28th August 2018
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School Closes for Half Term	Thursday 11th October 2018
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Teacher Training Day	Friday 12th October 2018
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HALF TERM	Monday 15th- Friday 19th October 2018
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School Opens	Monday 22nd October 2018
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School Closes	Thursday 20th December 2018
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SPRING TERM

Teacher Training Day	Monday 7th January 2019
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School Opens	Tuesday 8th January 2019
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School Closes	Friday 15th February 2019
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HALF TERM	Monday 18th- Friday 22nd February 2019
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School Opens	Monday 25th February 2019
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School Closes	Friday 12th April 2019
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SPRING TERM

School Opens	Monday 29th April 2019
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May Day Holiday	Monday 6th April 2019
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School Closes	Friday 24th May 2019
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HALF TERM	Monday 27th- Friday 31st May 2019
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School Opens	Monday 3rd June 2019
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School Closes	Friday 12th July 2019
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Photographs

Monday 6th November

All children will have their photograph taken. Brothers and sisters in school will be able to have their photos taken together, once all the classes have been for their individual sittings.

November 2017						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
30 Consultations Booking 12 noon	31 Secondary Transfer Deadline	1	2 Yr 4 Roman Day	3 Golden Book	4 Queni Bonfire	5
6 Individual Photos	7 Leics Police Year 4- Keep Safe Club	8 Consultations Late Night	9 Yr 5 Greek Day Consultations	10 10.50am Remembrance @ St. Mary's Golden Book	11	12
13 Anti-Bullying Week BE A LEARNER FS, 3 & 6	14	15 Yr 6 to Galleries of Justice	16 9.00am Family Service	17 CHILDREN IN NEED Golden Book	18	19
20	21 BE A LEARNER FS, 1 & 4 Yr 4 Tri- Golf WVA F, A & P Presentation of Accounts 5.00pm*	22 FOQS AGM 6:45 FOQS Meeting 7.00pm	23 BE A LEARNER FS, 2 & 5 Stars of Month 6:00pm * AGM & Presentation of Accounts	24 Tombola Donation Day <i>Final Orders for Christingle Bags</i> Yr 5 Values Assembly	25	26
27	28 Looking at Learning 3.15- 3.45pm	29 2.45pm Coffee & Chat with Mrs Hardy	30	1 2pm Christingle Service		

December 2017						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
4	5	6	7	8 Songs & Santa Lightfest	9	10
11	12 KS1 Dress Rehearsal	13 KS1 Performance 2pm & 6.30pm	14 KS2 Disco	15 Golden Book	16	17
18 Pantomime	19 9.30am Carol Service @ St. Mary's Christmas Dinner	20 Christmas Jumper Day Carols Around the Tree 2pm School Closes	21	22	23	24