

QEII Newsletter

22nd May 2026

THIS WEEK

Half-Term: We hope you all have a lovely half-term break and look forward to seeing everyone on **Monday 1st June** for the rest of the Summer Term.

School Photos: Please don't forget to view your child's school photo, via the link sent home in the recent letter. Claire will be having a pick-up session after the break to photograph any students who missed the main day. If you have any questions about your child's school photo, please contact her directly via her website at www.clairewildersphotography.co.uk.

Transition Afternoon: All parents and carers are invited to come and meet their child's teacher for the 2026-27 school year on **Wednesday 1st July** between **4-5.30** at the School and College sites (depending on the class your child will be in from September, not the class they are in now).

School Dinners: Our new Cook Supervisor, Ed, has now started, so we will be returning to serving food prepared onsite at the School site from **Monday 8th June**, following the attached menu. The new menu can also be found on our website.

College Tour: We have invited parents and carers of students who will be in Years 7, 8 & 9 in September to have a tour of our College site on **Monday 22nd June** at **3.40pm**. Full details, including an RSVP link, have been sent out by email. If you have any questions or did not receive an invite email, please contact the school office.

Aspens Information Sessions: Please see the attached flyers about drop-in information sessions offered by Aspens short breaks charity on **Tuesday 26th May**.

Lifespring Church "Sense and Create": Please see the attached poster for Lifespring Church's Sense and Create sessions at the Drill Hall in Horsham on **Tuesday 26th** and **Wednesday 27th May**.

Horsham Station Art Display: We have recently refreshed our art display on the footbridge gallery at Horsham Station, as part of our ongoing collaboration with Southeast Communities Rail Partnership. If you're travelling to or from the station please do have a look!

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD WINNERS

Joseph W, Pathfinders - Using the whiteboard to communicate.

Rogan, Pilots - Excellent swimming.

Seena, Pioneers - Great learning about photosynthesis.

Jayden, Miles & Bertie, Pilots - Great reading in the library.

YOIMOJI OF THE WEEK

This week's Yoimoji was Duggz the confident dog.

LETTERS HOME

Selected students - Sensory Network updated session date letter.

Sailors - Baptist church visit letter.

Selected students - Manor Green day letter.

KS4 & 5 Classes - Parallel Youth Games letter. (This event has now happened.)

CLASS NEWS FROM DIVERS

Divers Class have been enjoying our topic "Splash!" this half term. We have investigated how ice melts as part of our Science lessons using pipettes to drip water onto the ice and watching the results. We have been making English fact files about different sea animals considering what they look like as well as what they eat. During our Art lessons we have produced so many different pieces of art using a range of materials. We have made rainbow fish, octopuses and boats. We also had fun making our own fruit lollies using yoghurt, fruit juice and different fruits, we are excited to eat them later this week! We have also enjoyed riding the donkeys and we have been very sensible whilst riding on them and looking after them.

CLASS NEWS FROM MOUNTAINEERS

Mountaineers have been enjoying their summer topic of "Scented Garden". They have enjoyed learning about plants by planting different seeds, including cress and sunflowers. The children have enjoyed learning how different fruit and vegetables grow and using their DT skills to create exciting mixtures, including herb-themed scented pots with fruit. The children also enjoyed exploring different flowers when Chrissy the florist from Bud and Flower visited. The children were very lucky and created their own bouquet using all the beautiful flowers. We are so proud how curious our children have been, particularly towards smelling different herbs and plants, as well as tasting new fruits. Mountaineers have loved exploring Forest School this half term and have been very brave with climbing trees and creating their own games.