

QEII Newsletter

12th September 2025

THIS WEEK

A Message from Helen: We have loved welcoming staff and pupils, both old and new, back to school this week and hear about all the wonderful things everyone has been doing over the summer. Thank you for all the fantastic photos that everyone enjoyed at our assembly on Monday.

We welcome five new teachers, Emma to Beachcombers, Eve to Divers, Gabriella to Mountaineers, Orlagh to Astronauts and Victoria to our new Key Stage Four class which is called Pathfinders. Vicky Perry is following teacher training and is in Globetrotters and we have also welcomed Shelley who is supporting our mainstream colleagues through the Special School Outreach Project.

Natalie Colverson is now an HLTA supporting our behaviour and communication team and Paula is on reception at the beginning of the week while continuing with her current role on a Thursday and Friday.

We have a number of new SSAs, Lydia, Jamie, Mary, Grace, Dora, Rothel and Chanelle. We have also increased our team of PSAs across the school and welcome, Zoe, Tyler, Nicky, Jenny, Priya and Russell.

I know that our whole school community will make everyone feel welcome and I am sure that they will soon feel part of the QEII family.

We are excited that the **move to QEII College** for our Key Stage Four and Five pupils is not that far away. There will be some transition for pupils this half of term before they move over there on **3rd November**. In the meantime, the transport has already been divided for the two sites so please bear with us, this half of term as the car park will be even busier than usual.

Please can parents not arrive at the top of the road before 9am in the morning or 3pm in the afternoon. Parents who are walking pupils into school are asked to wait at the top of the road until directed by the member of staff to walk down. I really appreciate your patience and help to make our beginning and ends of day as smooth as we can.

If your child is not going to be in school please phone the school office before 9.15am and let us know of any appointments in advance. We would always encourage that any holidays are not taken during term time. We don't want our pupils missing out on all the exciting learning and experiences they have in school.

Please can I also remind everyone that **we are a nut intolerant school** and ask that you help us to keep everyone safe.

Our busy INSET days enabled us to get much of our statutory training done. We also had a successful transition day for our new pupils. Classes are ready for our topics this term which are Marvellous Machines, EY & KS1, Bright Lights, Big City, KS2, Burps, Bottoms and Bile, KS3 and A Child at War, KS4&5. I know that there will be lots of fun and excitement as our pupils learn. Please do look for further information on our school website and eSchools and look on Earwig, encouraging your child to share with you what they have been learning.

As always there is lots happening this term, but I would like to make a special mention of our art gallery event at QEII College on the evening of **Wednesday 19th November**. We would love you all to join us. Our pupils bring us so much joy and I am looking forward to all this year brings as we journey together.

Ariel Othellos Workshop: We are looking forward to a drama workshop with Ariel Company Theatre next Wednesday. Ariel run an award-winning SEN drama group with branches across Sussex. The Horsham one is held at Bohunt School on Saturday afternoons from 5-6pm. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Deaf Kids Connect Event: Please see the attached poster for a Deaf Kids Connect event being held in Worthing next Saturday, 20th September.

FEAR Swim Event: Please see the attached flyer for details of the Face Everything And Rise swimming event being held at Pavilions in the Park, Horsham this Sunday, 14th September.

Reaching Families Information: Please see the attached set of posters from Reaching Families with details of their upcoming events and resources.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD WINNERS

Rogan, Pilots - A great first week back.

YOIMOJI OF THE WEEK

This week's Yoimoji was Bamboozle the kind bear.

LETTERS HOME

All Classes: Meet the Teacher letter.

Adventurers & Pioneers: Horsham Park letter.

Online links also sent out to anyone who has not yet completed the Permissions and Medical Consent forms for their children.