

QEII Newsletter

16th October 2026

THIS WEEK

Food Allergies (Nut, Kiwi & Pineapple): Please can we remind everyone that we have students in school with severe food allergies. To help protect them, please do not send any items containing nuts, kiwi or pineapple to school, including cakes, biscuits and sweets as part of snacks or packed lunches.

QEII Connections: The next Connections event for the school year will be on **Thursday 26th November** with Lara Jones from the West Sussex Parent Carer Forum. It will be at our School site. Please see the attached poster or the QEII Connections page of our website for full details.

QEII PTFA Bingo: Our PTFA are hosting a Bingo event, which is happening in the Studio on the evening of **Friday 20th November**. Please see the poster sent home with last week's Newsletter, and on the Letters Home page of our website.

MCAS Reminder: Don't forget that we have now moved to using MCAS to send important updates home. Please make sure you have the MCAS app installed or are regularly checking the MCAS web portal for new messages. If you are using the app, please set your device notifications to ping when you get a new MCAS message or notification. If you need any help setting this up, please contact the school office.

Medication at Home Form: All parents/carers were recently emailed a "Medication at Home" Form. Please ensure these are returned for **Monday 19th October** - for any long term medication at home. This information is required, alongside medications taken at school form, in case of an emergency. Please note, short term antibiotics information is not required.

St. Piers Training: Please see the attached posters about free training on offer from St. Piers.

Reaching Families Events: Please see the attached posters about upcoming events and training from Reaching Families.

John Lewis Donation: We would like to say a big thank you to John Lewis for their donation of £1500 towards an adapted tricycle for our College site.

YOIMOJI OF THE WEEK

This week's Yoimoji was Neon the resourceful wolf.

HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Robert, Mountaineers - Creating a great piece of “Superhero” art.

James, Adventurers - Engaging in a teeth cleaning activity and cleaning his own teeth.

LETTERS HOME

All Classes: QEII Glows letter.

Key Stages 3, 4 & 5: St. John’s Carol Concert invitation.

Selected KS4 & 5 Students: Dance Live! 2027 letter.

CLASS NEWS FROM BALLOONISTS

Balloonists have had a great start to the year. They have enjoyed getting to know their new peers, adults and classroom and are having fun exploring our outside area. This half term our Topic is “Superheroes”. We have enjoyed listening to the sensory story about superheroes we know in school. We have also loved listening to lots of superhero themed stories and completing work such as designing a superhero mask and thinking about what traits their own superhero would have.

We have had lots of fun getting messy during sensory play and we are really developing our mark making using a range of different resources.

In Art we have continued our superhero theme and have loved some of the tough trays that Penny has put together to explore, we particularly enjoyed the ninja turtles!

CLASS NEWS FROM NAVIGATORS

Pilots have really been enjoying their Topic “Superheroes”. We have loved making a range of superheroes out of wooden spoons, cups and paper plates. We have been discussing our favourite superheroes and why we like them. We all loved Science Week, exploring a range of different science experiments. In Maths we have been learning about data handling, making tally charts and graphs. Our favourite activity last week was when we played a game of bowling and made a tally chart of how many pins we knocked down.