



# Queensgate Primary School

## Newsletter July 23rd 2026

We can't believe another incredible year is almost complete! A massive thank you to our amazing parents and carers—your kindness, positivity, and unwavering support makes everything we do at QPS possible.

**Year 6 SATs results** A huge congratulations to our incredible Year 6 children! Their zest for learning and vibrant energy have made them truly outstanding role models for our younger students this year. We are thrilled to celebrate another summer of brilliant Y6 SATs results, with Queensgate performing significantly above the national average in all areas (see details below). Whilst we are incredibly proud of these academic results, we are even prouder of the well-rounded individuals they have become. We wish them a future filled with happiness and success!

|                                   | Queensgate 2026                   |                             | National average 2026             |                             | Headlines                                                    |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                   | At the expected standard or above | Above the expected standard | At the expected standard or above | Above the expected standard |                                                              |
| Reading                           | 100%                              | 59%                         | 75%                               | 31%                         | Top 1% of schools nationally for the expected standard       |
| Maths                             | 97%                               | 69%                         | 75%                               | 27%                         | Top 2% of schools nationally for above the expected standard |
| Writing                           | 93%                               | 24%                         | 73%                               | 13%                         | Top 4% of schools nationally for above the expected standard |
| Grammar, punctuation and spelling | 97%                               | 69%                         | 74 %                              | 30%                         | Top 2% of schools nationally for above the expected standard |
| Reading, writing, maths comb      | 90%                               | 21%                         | 63%                               | 9%                          | Top 4% of school nationally for at the expected standard     |

### Also...

- ★ Very well done to all our Year 4 children as 91% achieved the unofficial pass mark (20/25) on the statutory Multiplication Times Table Check. 66% of children achieved 25/25! Our average score was 23/25 and places us in the top 15% of schools nationally.
- ★ Very well done to all our Year 1 children as 93% achieved the expected standard or above in the phonics screening check! Our average score was 37.9/40!

Here are Year 6 ready to perform their Leavers' Play, "The Wrong way round". Well done everyone!



### School Games award



We are delighted to announce that we have been awarded the **Platinum School Games Award for 2025/26!**

This is the first time that we have achieved this Platinum kitemark as a result of maintaining the highest commitment to PE for over five years.

Well done to all our children, Mrs Furber and Brendan (specialist PE coaches), parent helpers and, of course, Mr Knowles for providing so many amazing opportunities for PE at Queensgate.

**Winning House 2026!** Our winning Queensgate House for the year is... **CURIE**. Curie were invited to wear non-uniform to school on Thursday 23rd July. Well done. Curie were also the winning team on Sports Day!

| Mandela | Curie  | Luther King | Nightingale |
|---------|--------|-------------|-------------|
| 12,886  | 13,625 | 12,284      | 13,189      |

**Attendance** It goes without saying that regular attendance is essential to your child's progress and success. We aim for all children to attend well above the national average. This year our overall whole school attendance figure is **96.7%**. Well done to **Year 2** for topping the leaderboard this year!

Reception 97.2%

Year 1 96.7%

**Year 2 97.24 %**

Year 3 97%

Year 4 Oak 95.2%

Year 4 Elm 96.9%

Year 5 97.2%

Year 6 96.1 %

### Thank you Tesco!

Last week Paolina, Tesco's local Community Champion, dropped off a box of fresh fruit and vegetables as part of their "fruit and veg for Schools " scheme. This was enjoyed by children in Early Years and KS1 for their morning snack.



### Year 5 Maths Challenge



Earlier this month we sent a team of Year 5 mathematicians to Bramhall High School. They competed against other local schools and came in second place overall.

We were particularly proud to receive this feedback from the Head of Maths at BHS. **"The pupils were working in their team throughout the day and they showed fantastic collaboration and problem-solving skills. Their behaviour and enthusiasm were impeccable; they really are a credit to themselves and to your school."**

Very well done to...

**Sarah, Jack, Leo, Matilda, Joban and Chloe** 🌟

## Destiny Garden School

Thank you so much to all our families for supporting our sponsorship of Destiny Garden School in Kenya.

An amazing total of **£2623.12** has been achieved

|                                                                             |                                                         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Y6 £609.55</b>                                                           | <b>Y5 £253.50</b><br><b>+ Poppy &amp; Alice- £43.80</b> |
| <b>Y4 (both classes) £150.55</b><br><b>+ Florence &amp; Phoebe - £10.32</b> | <b>Y3 £543.20</b>                                       |
| <b>Y2 £406.70</b>                                                           | <b>Y1 £605.50</b>                                       |

## Gardening update

Year 4 Oak class have been working with a Sustainable Bramhall volunteer to establish a wildflower garden for pollinators, as well as putting up bee boxes, alongside established log piles and dead hedge habitats as part of the COP23 pledge setting aside 30% of earth for nature.

Children have also learned the importance of bees and other pollinators in growing food for humans. They have learned how to sow flower and vegetable seeds, how to germinate seeds and have then harvested the vegetables they have grown. This year we had a bumper crop of potatoes!

Many thanks to The Mounting Stone for donating their quiz night proceedings to buy bee boxes, wooden posts and wildflower seeds. We look forward to working together for wildlife and growing vegetables again next year.



## Dates to remember

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|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| • <b>Friday 24th July</b>        | 9.10AM Y6 Leavers' Assembly (Y6 families) |
| • Friday 24th July               | Whole school Teddy Bears' Picnic          |
| • <b>Friday 24th July</b>        | <b>School closes for summer break</b>     |
| • <b>Wednesday 2nd September</b> | <b>School re-opens for the children</b>   |

We would like to wish all our children and families a happy, safe, and relaxing summer holiday!. Enjoy the break, make some wonderful memories and we look forward to seeing you all back in September for another great year of learning and growth.

**Mrs Hitchcock and Mrs Lee**