



## A Warm Welcome

I would like to extend a very warm welcome back to all of our families and a special welcome to those who have just joined us. The postcards we received in school were heart-warming and the scrap books and boxes were off the scale with creativity - thank you so much for joining in with such enthusiasm. If you haven't sent yours in, don't panic, they can still be finished and brought in when they are done.

We are excited to welcome new staff to the team: Mrs Morely and Miss Bridges in reception, Mr Buehler in Y1 and Miss Grant in Y5.

One of our priorities this year is to strengthen engagement with our families. The first such event will be 'Meet the Teacher' evening on Monday 15th September from 3:30 - 4:30. Feel free to drop in to your child's new class, see where they sit, meet some of the staff working within that team and get useful information on the structure and ways you can support this year. Further information will be shared through your child's Seesaw next week.

We have already had a positive response to the change of morning routines - Mindful Monday, Talking Tuesday, Wonder Wednesday, Thinking Thursday and Friendly Friday. This new initiative is designed to ease children into the day with fewer early demands, while placing a greater emphasis on social skills, conversation, and building friendships.

Together, we can make this another wonderful year at The Quinta.

Have a great weekend,  
Mr. Sharpe  
Head Teacher

**Extracurricular  
clubs will be sent  
out next week and  
are due to start w/c  
15<sup>th</sup> September**

### IMPORTANT

## Holiday Forms Must be Completed!

We have observed that some parents and carers have been taking children out of school without completing the Leave of Absence Form. Please be reminded that it is a legal requirement for the school to know the whereabouts of pupils at all times. Without prior notification, we will be required to contact home, which could result in unnecessary fines. If you require a holiday form please pop the office and pick one up.

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**LEAVE OF ABSENCE FORM**

NAME OF PUPIL(S) \_\_\_\_\_

TEACHER(S) NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

REASON FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE \_\_\_\_\_

FIRST DAY OF LEAVE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF RETURN TO SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF DAYS ABSENT FROM SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF PARENT / GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF HEAD TEACHER \_\_\_\_\_

OR  
SIGNED REPRESENTATIVE \_\_\_\_\_

LEAVE OF ABSENCE / HAS NOT BEEN GRANTED  
PLEASE NOTE: Schools must conform to DfE regulations concerning leave of absence for holiday purposes during term time.

TAKING YOUR CHILD ON HOLIDAY WITHOUT THE SCHOOL'S AUTHORISATION MAY RESULT IN THE LOCAL AUTHORITY ISSUING A FIXED PENALTY NOTICE TO EACH PARENT / CARER FOR EACH CHILD FOR WHOM THE HOLIDAY REQUEST HAS BEEN REFUSED.

"The Council is reviewing its practice with regards to the issuing of Penalty Notices for term time holiday absence as a matter of priority and is seeking urgent guidance from the DfE."

# Reminders: School Meals and Club Bookings via Scopay

Please remember to order your child's meals on Scopay. The current menu will remain the same until Christmas, so no changes are expected until then.

Breakfast Club and After School Club can also be booked via Scopay. Please note that there is no booking lock, so you can make or amend bookings at any time.



## GP and dental appointments

Where possible, please arrange GP and dental appointments outside of school hours. We understand this isn't always feasible, but avoiding disruption to the school day helps maintain consistent learning.

The Department for Education reports that medical and dental appointments are a leading cause of authorised absences in UK schools. Even short absences can impact progress, especially in core subjects.

If an appointment during the school day is unavoidable, please inform the school in advance and provide appointment evidence (e.g. a confirmation text or letter).

Thank you for your support in helping us prioritise your child's education.



**Portraits and Family Photographs  
- TEMPEST Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October.  
Please note this is a date change  
from Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October.**

# Parking and Road Safety Outside School

We have recently received several reports from local residents and members of our school community regarding inconsiderate and unsafe parking, including cars being parked across residents' driveways during drop-off and pick-up times. This is not acceptable.

As a school, we are part of a wider community, and we ask all parents and carers to be respectful of our neighbours at all times. Blocking driveways or restricting access causes unnecessary stress and frustration and reflects poorly on our school community.

Over the summer holidays, you may have noticed that Cheshire East Council has introduced additional yellow zig-zag and double yellow lines outside school. We fully support this decision, as it has been made with the safety of our pupils as the top priority.

The markings are there to:

- Keep visibility clear for children and families crossing the road
- Allow safe access for emergency vehicles
- Prevent congestion and reduce risk of accidents during busy times

This issue is not new, and unfortunately, it has been a long-standing concern. We must all take collective responsibility to ensure the safety of every child and adult in our community. Inconsiderate parking will not be tolerated.

If you witness unsafe or illegal parking outside the school, we urge you to:  
Report it to the non-emergency police on 101

Contact Cheshire East Highways, quoting reference number: 3460938

By logging these incidents, we can build a clearer picture to support requests for increased traffic enforcement, better signage, and improved road safety measures.

Let's work together to ensure that no child or member of our community is ever put at risk on their journey to or from school.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support.





# Taking Holiday in Term Time

*“Here at The Quinta we are passionate about providing your child with the best learning experience. We understand on some instances it is essential to take your child out of school but please be aware of the new fining structure.”*

If you wish to view the attendance policy this can be found on our website [here](#)



## PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ARE CHANGING !

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force on 19 August 2024.

### Penalty Notices will be issued for

**Term time leave:** Penalty Notice fines will be issued for term time leave of 5 or more consecutive days.

**10 Sessions of Unauthorised absence in a rolling 10 week period:** A Penalty Notices may be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absences in a 10 week period.

However, we retain the discretion to issue a Penalty Notice before the threshold is met. For example, where parents are deliberately avoiding the national threshold by taking several term time holidays below the above thresholds.

### Per Parent/Per Child

Penalty Notice fines will continue to be issued per parent per child. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

### First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular school attendance the fine will be charged at:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days of the issue, reducing to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

(Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

### Second Offence

Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second penalty notice to the same parent for the same pupil within 3 years of the first penalty notice, for either term time leave or irregular attendance the second penalty notice will be charged at:

£160 if paid within 28 days. (Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

### Third Offence

On the third time that an offence is committed within 3 years of the first penalty notice for either a term time leave or irregular attendance a penalty notice will not be issued. The case may proceed to Parental Prosecution under the Single Justice Procedure. If found guilty of the offence of 'Failure to send a child to school' the Magistrates can impose a fine up to £1000 or legal proceedings under Section 444 (1a) can include a fine of up to £2500.



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# School Communications and Applications

## Seesaw

Seesaw is the application that we use within school to document your child's learning journey. If you require further information regarding this please see below. [SeeSaw Info for Families.](#)

It might help you to print out the QR code and keep this as once you log out of your child's account you will need the code to log back in again. If you are having difficulties please see your child's class teacher.

## School Spider

School Spider is The Quinta Primary School's main form of communication. If you are new to the school or are having problems using the application please follow the steps below.

## For new parents

### To create an account with School Spider

- Download the FREE School Spider App
- Select our school
- Click Parent Login
- Click 'Create Account'
- Input the email address we have on file for your child/children
- Follow the steps in the email you receive. Please note, your username is NOT your email address

## For existing parents

If you have used School Spider before but you cannot remember your login details:

- Make sure you have the latest version of School Spider App
- Select our school
- Click Parent Login
- Click Forgot Password
- Enter your email address and it will send you a reset password link and username. Please note, your username is NOT your email address

[Parent App Guide.pdf](#)





# Local Events and Opportunities

**BOOK NOW**



## BALLET AND CREATIVE DANCE CLASS



Creative Dance for Early Years is an innovative dance syllabus, created by Rambert Grades. Each dance class will take the children on an imaginative journey with endless themes. An energetic warm up is followed by physical skills development as the children learn structured movement material. Creative intuition is encouraged with a closing creative exploration to dive deep into their imagination. Swimming with whales, flying rockets to the moon or adventuring through the desert- every class is different!

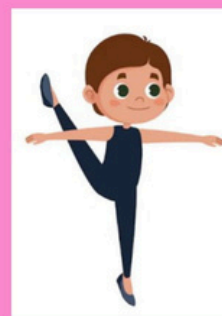
Each session will explore movement in a new way and help to develop physical skills, harness musicality and empower confidence in young children.

Each child will have the opportunity to work towards taking a Rambert Grades Creative Movers exam, which are a celebration of each student's progress at the end of each grade. Each child is rewarded with a bright fabric badge and a certificate.



Rambert  
**grades**

My Ballet class is an inspiring, creative and imaginative Ballet class for young children. This class aims to introduce young dancers to basic Classical Ballet technique using imaginative methods and ideas. The dancers will also explore creative skills, experience mime, and replicate choreography.



**WHERE?** The Quinta Primary School.

**WHEN?** 9<sup>th</sup> September – 21<sup>st</sup> October 2025, **15:20-16:10** every **TUESDAY**.

**WHO?** The club is open to reception and years 1 & 2.

**HOW MUCH?** The seven-week course is £35 per student (£5 per class).

This payment will be made in full, upfront, for the duration of the full course. (In the circumstance of an absence, no refunds will be made)

**SPACES ARE LIMITED!**

To secure your place and process your payment, or for further information, please email [sophiemoores37@gmail.com](mailto:sophiemoores37@gmail.com)





## Local Events and Opportunities

**FREE** TASTER SESSIONS  
AVAILABLE!

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Our dynamic weekly play sessions enable **boys and girls** aged **2-7** to develop their social and physical skills in a fun, positive environment. For more details, just call or email.



### ABOUT OUR CLASSES

Rugbytots SE Cheshire & Staffordshire Moorlands have classes running in the following locations:

**AGE SPECIFIC CLASSES FOR: 2-3.5yrs / 3.5-5yrs / 5-7yrs**  
(Tuesday PM - Reception & Year 1)

**MACCLESFIELD LEISURE CENTRE:** Sat, Tues PM & Thurs.

**BOLLINGTON CIVIC HALL:** Monday.

**CONGLETON LEISURE CENTRE:** Tuesday.

**POYNTON CIVIC HALL:** Friday.

**FREE TASTERS** (Subject to availability)



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