



# Newsletter

Keeping you informed about Team Quinta news.

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2025

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## What a fantastic first few weeks back!

It's been wonderful to see the school come to life again, and we're carrying that momentum forward by strengthening our communications. This week's newsletter is full of useful information, including important updates and upcoming events.

Our curriculum is now in full swing following the summer break, and it's great to see so many of you signing up for our extra-curricular clubs. If your child has secured a place in a club, you will receive confirmation before Monday 15th September. If you do not hear from us by then, it means your child has been placed on the waiting list, and we'll be in touch if a space becomes available.

In school, our updated morning routines continue to run smoothly. Each day begins with a themed focus—Mindful Monday, Talking Tuesday, Wonder Wednesday, Thinking Thursday, and Friendly Friday—helping children ease into the day while encouraging conversation, social skills, and friendship-building.

A reminder to join us for our 'Meet the Teacher' evening on Monday 15th September, from 3:30 to 4:30pm. You're welcome to drop into your child's new classroom, see where they sit, meet the staff, and find out more about the class structure and how you can support your child this year. Additional details have been shared with you via SeeSaw this week.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

Mr. Sharpe



**Mr Sharpe,  
Head Teacher**

## 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.

# Remembering your child's items

Please make sure that you deliver children to school with all of their belongings for the day. Forgetting items can cause your child to worry unnecessarily.

Further to this, if the office are requested to take your child's items down to the class room this disturbs their lessons and ultimately their learning.



## Extra Curricular Clubs

We have had an amazing take-up of Extra Curricular Clubs thank you.

You should be contacted before Monday if your child has been successful on getting on to a club. If they were unsuccessful this time their name will be held on a waiting list, and should a place become available, they will be contacted.

Please ensure that the staff member in charge is notified if your child is unable to attend a club or wants to stop attending a club for any reason. We need to account for the children on our lists and do not want to spend time chasing up missing children.

If your child does not attend an after-school club a message will be sent to the office and they will contact you to ask why your child is not in attendance.

**Your child will be removed from the club after 2 non-attendances, if they fail to let the staff member know they will not be attending.**





# 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.**

# If Your Child Feels Unwell

If your child is feeling under the weather with a cough, cold, headache or generally feeling unwell, they are still welcome to come in to school. If they require Calpol please supply your child's teacher or the school office with the relevant medication and a medical permissions form found in the School Office or online [here](#).



## Meet the SEND Team for a Brew

We are delighted to invite you to our next "Slurp and Chirp" – an informal drop-in sessions offering you the opportunity to meet and chat with our SEND Team over a cuppa.

Dates: Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October  
Time: 9:00am – 10:00am  
Location: The School Hall

Whether you have a specific question, would like to learn more about how we support children with additional needs, or simply want to put faces to names, we'd love to see you there. It's a relaxed and friendly space to share ideas, ask questions, or just say hello! We look forward to seeing you there.





# YOUR PTA WANT YOU!



Our Friends of Quinta PTA are looking for a few more helping hands! With exciting plans already in motion for this year's events—which are set to be bigger and better than ever—they could really use some extra support to make it all happen.

If you or someone you know could spare a little time to run a stall, share ideas, or contribute skills in areas like marketing, entertainment, or design, please get in touch. Just send an email to [quintapta@gmail.com](mailto:quintapta@gmail.com) with your name and contact number, and a member of the team will reach out.

# WE WANT YOU!





# The Quinta Primary School Working with Cheshire Constabulary

*“The Quinta Primary School takes the safeguarding of our pupils very seriously. We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and through Operation Encompass we will be able to provide the best possible support.”*



Dear Parent/Carer,

Our school/educational setting is part of Operation Encompass which is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools and police forces.

Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools, prior to the start of the next school day, when a child or young person has experienced domestic abuse.

As a school/educational setting we have ensured that a member of our staff, (Designated Safeguarding Lead) known as a Key Adult, has been trained in the Operation Encompass procedures allowing us to then use the information that has been shared, in confidence, to support the child/ren in our care.

The Domestic Abuse Act 2021 identifies children who experience domestic abuse as victims of domestic abuse in their own right.

On 24 May 2024 Royal Assent was granted to The Victims and Prisoners Act. The Act placed Operation Encompass into Law.

This places a statutory obligation on police forces to share Operation Encompass notifications with schools/educational settings.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and through Operation Encompass we will be able to provide the best possible support to our children.

Signed

Mr Sharpe  
Head Teacher



# Open Day

We are holding whole school open day tours, from Reception right up to Year 6. If your child is interested in join us during this academic year, or our Reception 2025 intake, feel free to come along. To book simply contact the school office on the details below.



## THE QUINTA PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN DAY

FRIDAY  
3RD OCTOBER 2025  
9:30 - 10:15

### JOIN US AND TAKE A LOOK

We're excited to be holding a whole school open day, from Reception through to Year 6. If you're considering a place for your child this academic year or for our Reception 2026 intake, we'd love for you to come along. To book a visit, just get in touch with the school office using the contact details below.

#### What you'll see...

- The stimulating learning environment within school
- A chance to chat to Staff
- Some of the current children's work and the curriculum followed
- How we live our values each day in school

#### TO BOOK

Call on 01260 221640


Email [admin@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk)



# 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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**TOGETHER** for Children and Young People  
Together we will make Cheshire East a great place to be young





# New School Menu

**ORDER NOW**



## WEEKLY LUNCH MENU



QUINTA KITCHEN

AUTUMN / WINTER



### MONDAY

Macaroni cheese with a cheesy garlic doughball (v) and sweetcorn | Macaroni vegan cheese with slice of toast (v/ve/df).  
Mini doughnuts | Cookies (v/ve/df).



### TUESDAY

Crispy chicken strips with sauté potatoes and beans | Meadowvale vegan strips sauté potatoes and beans (v/ve/df).  
Vanilla cake and custard (v/ve/df available).



### WEDNESDAY

Lasagne with garlic bread and carrots |  
Vegan lasagne with garlic bread and carrots (v/ve/df).  
Brownie (v/ve/df available).



### THURSDAY

Katsu chicken curry with white rice mixed sweetcorn and carrots | Katsu Vegetable curry with white rice and mixed sweetcorn and carrots (v/ve/df).  
Cookies (v/ve/df available).



### FRIDAY

Fish cakes, chips and peas |  
Vegetable cakes chips and peas (v/ve/df).  
Variety of ice creams tubs (v/ve/df available).

Water and milk  
available each day!  
Juice on a Friday!



## ORDER ON SCOPAY

### AVAILABLE EVERY DAY



Sandwiches



Build your own pasta



Fresh fruit



Jacket potatoes



### SCOPAY CODES

Main - R  
Vegetarian/Vegan - Y  
Jacket Potato (DF/VE) - G  
Ham Bap (DF) - H  
Cheese Bap (V) - C  
Tuna Mayonnaise Bap (DF/V) - F  
Cold Pasta Salad (DF/VE) - P  
Hot Mascarpone Pasta (V) - B  
DF = Dairy Free VE = Vegan V = Vegetarian  
Dairy free desserts are available.



# New School Menu

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## BUILD YOUR OWN PASTA

QUINTA KITCHEN ————— AUTUMN / WINTER



We have a wide selection of yummy and healthy ingredients for children to create their very own exciting pasta salad each day.

### COLD SELECTION



Ham



Tuna Mayo



Cheese



Sweetcorn



Cucumber



Tomatoes



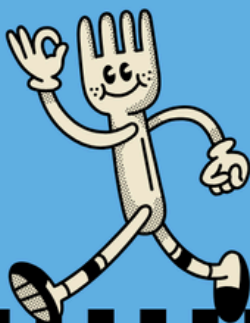
### HOT SELECTION

Hot pasta with tomato and mascarpone sauce. (V)

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# Important Dates And Events

September		
Weds	15/9/2025 - 3:30- 4:40	Parent meet the teacher evening
Turs	16/09/2025	CHS Open Morning Year 5&6
Thurs	18/09/2025	Eaton Bank open evening, 6-8:30pm
Fri	19/09/2025	Year 6 at CHS for Cultural Day
Thurs	25/09/2025	CHS Open Evening Year 5&6
Fri	26/09/2025	National TA Day
Fri	Date change 26/09/25	FOQ Back to School Bonanza (3:30 - 5:30)

October		
Fri	03/10/2025	Open day and show round for new parents
Mon	06/10/2025	Tempest Individual School Photos
Fri	10/10/2025	World Mental Health Day (Year 6 to lead assembly and fundraise) - Assembly 13th Oct & bake sale same day
Fri	17/10/2025	Halloween Disco
Fri	24/10/2025	October Halloween Lunch
Sat	25/10/25 - 04/11/25	October Half Term Holiday



# Dance Classes After School

**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)





# 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](#)





# Fundraising for School



## **You spend, brands donate.**

Sign up to easyfundraising and see your favourite brands donate to the cause you care about whenever you shop with them. All you need to do is nominate a PTA to get cashback when you shop at hundreds of retailers including Amazon, Marks and Spencer, Argos plus insurance companies and travel companies are included. We have raised over £1200 to date from our supporters this way – have a look, sign-up is easy – [Sign up here](#).



## **Support our Local Community Fund through the Co-op!**

Members of the Co-op can select Friends of Quinta as their cause of choice, helping us make a difference together.

Joining the Co-op is easy—membership costs just £1, which you get back with your first shop. With a Co-op right here in Congleton, many of you may already be members!

To learn more and select our cause, visit: [Friends of Quinta Cause](#).