NEWS FLASH

Dates for Next Week

Tuesday 24th November
Tag Rugby Competition
Years 5 and 6

Children in the above year group will be attending a Tag Rugby competition at Eaton Bank Academy. Parents/Carers will be required to collect their child from school at the end of the school day and transport them to the event.
The competition is due to start at 3:45pn and will finish at 5pm.

Wednesday 25th November
Quicksticks Hockey
Years 5 and 6

We will be hosting a Quicksticks hockey tournament during the school day (1pm until 3pm) here at The Quinta including children from Year 5 and 6. This is the qualifier for the Cheshire finals. All participating children have been notified and please remind them to wear their PE kits, bring hockey sticks if they have them, shin pads and a gum shield.

Wednesday 25th November
Tag Rugby training – Year 5

Congleton Rugby Club will be visiting school to deliver a Tag Rugby training session during the school day for our Year 5 pupils. Please ensure that children come to school dressed in their PE kits on this day so they are ready to take part in all the activities.

Wednesday 25th November
Lacrosse Training – Year 5

Thursday 26th November
Lacrosse Training – Year 6
The Lacrosse Foundation will be visiting school to deliver a training session during the school day. Please ensure that children come to school wearing their PE kits.

After-School Club
Thursday, Years 5 and 6
We are also pleased to announce the introduction of a new Lacrosse after-school club. If your child is in Year 5 or 6 and would like to attend, please email acope@thequinta.cheshire.sch.uk to express your interest.

Elfridges Secret Santa Shop
Wednesday 25th November

Elfridges will be opening this Wednesday, giving children the opportunity to buy Christmas gifts for their loved ones. Please see the further information below for details of how your child can take part.

Football Finals at Crewe Alexandra - Years 5 and 6
Friday 27th November
We are delighted to be taking children to compete in the Football Finals at Crewe Alexandra. Children are leaving school at 11am, if parents/carers are transporting children to this event please arrive at 11am. This event is then due to finish at 2:30pm and arrival back in school for home time, we will keep you updated. Children should come to school wearing their football kit and trainers, with football boots and shin pads in their bags. They will also need a packed lunch and a water bottle.

Friday 27th November
Stay and Read – KS2
8.45am–8.55am
Parents and carers are warmly invited into the classroom to enjoy a special reading moment with their child. This is a lovely opportunity to share a book together and celebrate the joy of reading.
Further information about this event will be shared by your child's class teacher.

Elfridges Secret Santa Shop

Christmas Secret Santa Shop

Wednesday 25th November

Elfridges, ran by The Friends of Quinta PTA, will be open on Wednesday 25th November, giving children the chance to buy Christmas gifts for their loved ones. We have some fantastic gifts available, all priced at £3 or under!

Please send your child to school with an envelope containing:

Inside: Their spending money.

On the outside:

- Child's name and class.
- List of people they wish to buy for (maximum of 5 people).
- Total amount of money enclosed (no more than £15).

Please limit lists to 5 people to ensure all children have the opportunity to buy gifts.



Forest School - A Request For Old CDs

We are collecting old CDs to use in Forest School for some creative crafting activities. The children will use them to make beautiful decorations, exploring their creativity and making the most of recycled materials!

If you have any spare CDs that you are happy to donate, please bring them to the school office, marked for the attention of Sarah Hurley. Thank you for your support!



Quick Links

Below are some quick links to our website that you may find helpful for day-to-day school life.

Extra Curricular Clubs Information

School Meals Winter 2026

Free School Meals Information

2026 - 2007 Term Dates

Cheshire Constabulary Christmas Card Competition

If your child would like to take part, please either submit their artwork as detailed on the poster below or hand it in to the School Office.



Taking Children out of School

ATTENTION Holiday Forms Must be Completed

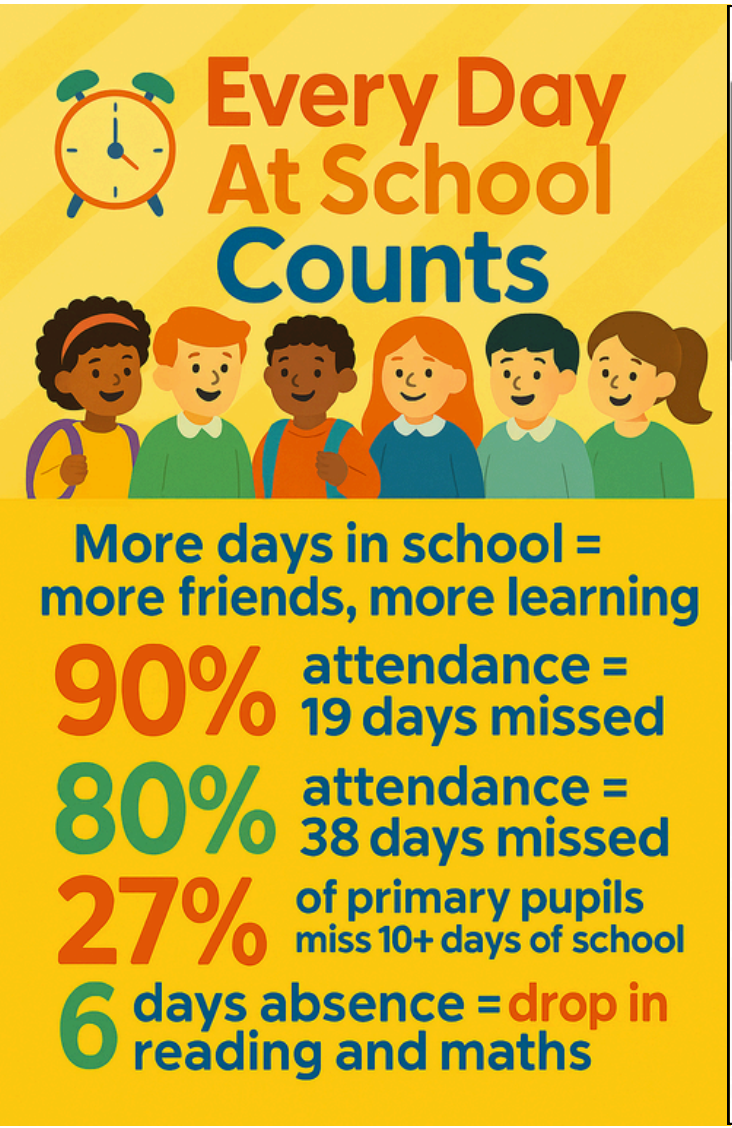
We have observed that some parents and carers have been taking children out of school without completing the Leave of Absence Form. Please be reminded that it is a legal requirement for the school to know the whereabouts of pupils at all times. Without prior notification, we will be required to contact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


The Quinta Primary School

LEAVE OF ABSENCE FORM

Penalty Notice

Please find below the penalty notice wording. To view the the attendance policy and the fining information please click here.



PENALTY NOTICE AND PROSECUTION

Penalty Notices may be issued for

Term time leave: Penalty Notice fines may be issued for term time leave of 5 or more days (10 sessions) in a 10-week period.

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 absence in a 10-week period.

However, school retain the discretion to request a Penalty Notice before the threshold is met. For example, where parents/carers are deliberately avoiding the national threshold by taking several term time holidays below the threshold.

Per Parent/Per Child

Penalty Notice fines will continue to be issued per parent/carer per child. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent/carer 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/carer, per child if paid within 28 days of the issue, reducing to £80 per parent/carer, 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/carer 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 Local Authority will decide on appropriate next steps which may include:

*Prosecution under s444 (1) or (1a) of the Education Act 1996 which may result in a fine of upto £1000 or £2500 respectively.

*Referral to other agencies.

Essential Collection Arrangements - School & Afterschool Clubs

We have recently had instances at both school pick-up and after-school wraparound care where someone other than the usual parent/carer, or someone that we recognise, has arrived to collect a child without prior arrangements being made.

For safeguarding reasons, if someone else is collecting your child, you must inform us in advance, providing:

- The full name of the person collecting.
- An agreed password shared with both the school and the person collecting.

The person collecting will be asked for the password before your child is released into their care.

This applies to collections from school, extra-curricular clubs and wraparound care. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us keep all our children safe.



Important Dates And Events

Please save these dates. Provisional dates will be confirmed as soon as possible, and further year-group events will be added throughout the year. They will be in bold the week they are added to draw your attention.

November

- 25 November – FOQ Santa Shop
- 30 November - Hoglets education visit to reception classes

December

- 7 December - Y2 Christmas performance dress rehearsal
- 8 December- Y2 Christmas performance afternoon + evening
- 9 December - Reception 1 stay and play morning
- 10 December - KS2 Carol Service at Astbury Church in the evening
- 10 December - Reception 2 stay and play morning
- 14–15 December – Year 2 Standon Bowers Residential
- 18 December – Christmas Experience & Christmas Dinner
- 18 December - School closes for Christmas holiday at 3:20pm
- 18 December - 4 January - Christmas holiday

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January

- 4 January – INSET Day
- 5 January - Children return to school
- February
- 8–9 February – Parents' Evenings
- 12 February - School closes for half-term at 3:20pm
- 15–19 February – Half-Term Holiday
- 22 February - children return to school
- 26 February - Polly Pin author / illustrator visit — Reception

March

- 4 March – World Book Day
- 19 March – Comic Relief
- 24 March – Rock Kidz Whole-School Event
- 25 March - School closes for Easter holiday at 3:20pm
- 26 March–9 April – Easter Holiday
- April
- 12 April - School opens after Easter holiday
- 22 April – Earth Experience Day
- 28–30 April – Year 5 London Residential

May

- 3 May - bank holiday
- 10–13 May – Year 6 SATs Week
- 20 May – Year 3 World Bee Day Experience
- 28 May - School closes for half term at 3:20pm
- 31 May–4 June – Half-Term Holiday

June

- 7 June – INSET Day
- 8 June- Children return to school after half term
- 14 June – Class & Year 6 Leavers' Photographs
- 22 June - Reception and KS1 Sports Day
- 23 June - KS2 Sports Day
- 28 June–2 July – Year 6 Residential

July

- 16 July – School Reports Sent Home
- 19 July – Year 6 Leavers' Performance (Provisional)
- 20 July – School Closes for Summer at 3:20pm
- 21 July – INSET Day

Part year term dates for 2027 to 2028. The remainder will be confirmed by Goverors in December.