

Monday 12th October 2026

NEWSLETTER

Number 5



Girls' football

Last week, the Girls' Football Team took part in a tournament at the University of Lancashire Sports Arena. The girls played very well, were resilient and showed great teamwork despite the inclement weather. They topped their group winning every match and didn't concede a goal throughout the tournament. They were knocked out in a penalty shootout by the losing finalists. They should be very proud of their performances, we are!



Dates Next few weeks

October

- 13th Class 7 Queen Street Mill visit
- 15th Class 8 Queen Street Mill visit
- 20th Halloween Disco (change from 22nd)
- 23rd INSET DAY

Half Term

26th – 30th October

November

- 2nd Autumn 2 half term starts
- 3rd Year 5 Viking day

Hello Yellow

WOW! A huge thank you to all our school families in raising £577 for Young Minds Charity who support Children's Mental Health. This is a lovely amount of money to raise. It was lovely to see children engaged in different activities on Friday to help their well-being including mindfulness activities in the KS1 hall and breathing techniques.

I would also like to thank our staff who look after our children in school and Mrs Jones who does timetable children throughout the week on different pastoral activities.

Thank you everyone 😊

YOUNGMINDS
Hello Yellow
FRIDAY 9 OCT

You're inspiring!

This is to certify that

Queen's Drive Primary School

has helped show young people they're not alone with their mental health by raising:

£ 577

Date:

09/10/2026


Nas Morley, Director of Income Generation

Celebrating 10 YEARS

YoungMinds, registered charity in England (1016968) and Scotland (SC039700).

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Harvest Gifts

It was lovely to welcome Rev. James into school on Thursday who led our Harvest Service to our Year 1,2,3 and 4 children. Other children spent time in class and in singing assembly reflecting on how we can support families not as fortunate as ourselves by bringing in food and toilet items and thinking about our wonderful world and the food it grows. Thank you. The food will make its way to our nearest food distribution centre for local families.



KS1 Rucksacks

Space in our KS1 cloakrooms is really tight, and we do not physically have space for 120 rucksacks, coats, PE bags and bookbags! A few years ago, we started giving a bookbag to children starting in Reception Class – this would then be their school bag until the end of Year 2. We also provide a clear book bag which the book and diary go in.

If your child currently has a rucksack, please could we ask that you leave this at home and use the school logoed book-bag we gave your child when they started school. If you no longer have that bag, then you have a couple of options

- 1.) Your child to just bring their books in the clear bag provided only
- 2.) Your child to bring their books in the clear bag provided within their rucksack. This rucksack though will need to be stored in the wooden boxes where they store their PE kits which is underneath their pegs.

We do not expect you to purchase another one as this would be an optional purchase. Children are losing so many items of uniform currently and I think overcrowded cloakrooms may not be helping. We all appreciate your support in this. The school is trying to locate more space in the cloakrooms for the coat pegs to be more spaced out.

Jeff Rich

I am delighted to let you know that we will be hosting a rockstar in school in November!! Former drummer of Status Quo will be leading a drumming workshop to our KS2 children. I believe it will be organised drumming chaos!!



Attendance

Last week's attendance 97.1%.

TOP CLASSES – CLASS 12 – 99.4%
AND
CLASS 4 AND 7 BOTH ON 99%

Healthy Heroes

A variety of other information and resources are available related to the topics contained within this Early Years Healthy Heroes toolkit. They have information, ideas, resources, activities, and recipes which you use within your setting or share with families. Here are a few that may be useful to you:

Healthy Lifestyles

Healthier Families www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/

Healthy Start: Get help to buy food and milk www.healthystart.nhs.uk

Eating well in Early Years www.firststepsnutrition.org/eating-well-early-years

Oral Health

British Society of Paediatric Dentistry, interactive videos for brushing children's teeth:

www.bspd.co.uk/Kidsvids

Dr Ranji and Supertooth (for ages 3-6 years www.youtube.com/watch?v=owbp5F0K45c)

Recipe ideas including for Celebrations

Veg Power: www.vegpower.org.uk/recipes/

Healthy families recipes www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/#collections

Community News

Footicubs
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The poster features a central image of a young child in a red and white striped Footicubs football kit, running on a grassy field with a soccer ball. The background shows other children in similar kits. The design is vibrant with yellow and red accents, including paw prints and soccer ball icons.

Last week's superstars!



Queen's Drive Superstars! We end each week with Celebration Assemblies where we celebrate some fabulous achievements that we have seen across the school. These weekly certificates are very special, and we are proud of each child who achieves one. Each class awards 2 certificates each week around their true success in either work or effort and also 1 certificate for a child who has displayed the selected school value consistently that week. We also have a week for amazing presentation. Well done everyone!

School Value for this week was – **HEALTHY, NURTURING, RESPECT, ASPIRATIONAL, PRESENTATION**

Class	Class Certificates	Value of the Week Certificate
Class 1	Vihaan and Khadillah	Ahmed
Class 2	Rosie and Nils	Leonardo
Class 3	Rovan and Umar	Adan
Class 4	Zayaan and Suzie	Zahra
Class 5	Abdullah and Freshteh	Adam
Class 6	Muhammad and Aafiyah	Haya
Class 7	Ayla and Lani	Leo
Class 8	Josh and Muhammad-Hasnayn	Abeer
Class 9	Evelyn and Zaeem	Rosa
Class 10	Aleena and Genevieve	Diyansh
Class 11	Zayn and Hannah	Yahya
Class 12	Maria and Hannah	Abdulrahman
Class 13	Freddie and Yahya	Aasiya
Class 14	Zak and Novella	Ayesha F

House points last week

KS 1 - Winners are CLITHEROE with 32

KS 2 - Winners are CLITHEROE with 41

Wishing you a wonderful week

Kind regards,

Mrs Gomersall

